

April 13, 2021

The Pipestone County Commissioners met with Chairman Luke Johnson, Commissioners Chris Hollingsworth, Les Nath, Dallas Roskamp, and Dan Wildermuth. County Administrator Steve Ewing was also present. Chairman Johnson called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**AGENDA**

Motion by Wildermuth, seconded by Roskamp to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion by Hollingworth, seconded by Nath to approve the consent agenda as follows:

1. Approve Minutes of March 23, 2021
2. Auditors Warrants 3/26/21, 4/2/21
3. Commissioners Warrants in the amount of \$378,222.83
4. Hospital Warrants \$386,113.07
5. Treasurers Report March 2021

Motion carried unanimously.

As per Minnesota Statute 375.12 the following Commissioner Warrants information is presented:

<b>Vendor Name</b>	<b>Amount Paid</b>
Brock White	\$ 62,184.00
Johnson Controls, Inc	\$ 43,712.58
Regents Of The University Of Minnesota	\$ 30,902.50
Pictometry International Corp	\$ 22,548.67
Papik Motors	\$ 20,131.26
Van Dyke Sanitation Inc	\$ 13,436.11
Pipestone Publishing Co Inc	\$ 10,900.60
Environmental Systems Research Inst Inc	\$ 9,638.44
Pipestone County Auditor-Treasurer	\$ 8,048.00
Smith & Johnson	\$ 6,305.00
Emergency Automotive Technologies Inc	\$ 6,149.04
Pipestone County Highway Department	\$ 5,940.60
Masterblaster Inc	\$ 5,595.99
O'Neill O'Neill & Barduson	\$ 4,886.00
Counties Providing Technology	\$ 4,779.00
DLT Solutions Inc	\$ 4,306.14
Cellebrite Inc	\$ 4,300.00
G&S Body Shop Inc	\$ 3,841.93
Pipestone County Medical Center	\$ 3,295.89
SHI International Corp	\$ 3,276.75
Amazon Marketplace	\$ 3,204.52
Tritech Software Systems	\$ 3,197.25
MN Counties Computer Cooperative Lockbox	\$ 2,966.00
Swenny's Towing	\$ 2,672.97
Area II MN River Basin Projects Inc	\$ 2,483.00
TransMedic Billing	\$ 2,359.12
Alpha Wireless Communications Co	\$ 2,302.75
Rev 22 Tree Farm	\$ 2,200.00
Morris Electronics Inc	\$ 2,199.44
One Office Solution	\$ 2,170.48
Citizen Observer LLC	\$ 2,100.00
Jer's Electric, Inc.	\$ 2,088.59
Christensen/Larry D	\$ 2,075.00
Buffalo Ridge Drug Task Force	\$ 2,000.00
Warrants over \$2,000	\$ 308,197.62
Number of Claims under \$2,000	131
Warrants under \$2,000	\$ 70,025.21
Total	\$ 378,222.83

**PROJECT UPDATES, PROJECTS UNDER CONTRACT, PROJECTS IN THE PLANNING STAGE**

County Engineer Nick Bergman provided information on project updates, projects under contract and projects in the planning stage.

#### **ROW PAYMENTS**

Engineer Bergman requested approval of the following Right-of-Way payments:

<b>Project</b>	<b>Land Owner:</b>	<b>Payment:</b>
SAP 059-599-111	Joel Minett Revocable Living Trust	\$715.00
SAP 059-599-111	Karen J. Minett Revocable Living Trust	\$715.00
SAP 059-618-037	Henry W. and Velva Van Dam	\$750.00
SAP 059-618-038	Joel A. and Ellen Talsma	\$1100.00
SAP 059-602-030	Joel A. and Ellen Talsma	\$1490.00
SAP 059-618-038	Wesley G. and Sheila F. DeKam	\$680.00

Motion by Nath, seconded by Wildermuth to approve the ROW payments and pay as an Auditors Warrant. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **IHLEN DYNAMIC SPEED SIGN**

Engineer Bergman reported that the City of Ihlen is narrowing down options for a dynamic speed sign. Bergman will be presenting quotes soon for the County cost-share.

#### **RESOLUTION 59-17-21**

Engineer Bergman requested approval of Resolution 59-17-21 Amending the Prioritized Bridge Replacement List to include CSAH 18 (STA. 344+27, 35-106-44) with a total project cost of \$110,000, Township or State Bridge Funds in the amount of \$50,000 and Local or State Aid Funds in the amount of \$60,000. Motion by Hollingsworth, seconded by Roskamp to approve Resolution 59-17-21 Amending the Prioritized Bridge Replacement List. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **ANNUAL MAINTENANCE STRIPING**

Engineer Bergman reported that the Maintenance Striping bid requests have been sent out and to have the board award the bid at the April 27, 2021 board meeting.

#### **ROAD AND BRIDGE HEARING FOLLOW-UP AND UPDATES**

Engineer Bergman reported DOT stated that technically the County could use LRIP funds for upgrading roads to large hog/cattle facilities, but a project of that nature would have difficulty competing, so it would not likely be funded by the state.

Bergman reported that they hope to get some tiling done this summer on some of the gravel roads and they would like to crush extra gravel this fall to get some put on next year. Bergman stated that this could be a good wheelage tax project, and plans to add it to the five-year plan.

Bergman reported that the Murray County supplier pays aggregate tax for gravel hauled from Rock Township.

Bergman reported that road postings went into effect March 4th. They are starting to be removed in the Southeast part of the state and we should know soon when our road postings are coming off. The maintenance crew plowed 5 days in the past month and started annual crack sealing. The new crack cutter and filler has arrived. Next month's goals include culvert repairs, road ditch cleaning, and gravel hauling.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING DATE FOR TAX ABATEMENT**

Auditor/Treasurer Tyler Reisch requested approval to set a public hearing on April 27, 2021 in the Commissioners Room for a proposed property tax abatement request from Danny Evans for new home construction. The estimated abatement is approximately \$1,673.00 for a period of three years. Motion by Hollingsworth, seconded by Wildermuth to approve the public hearing date for Danny Evans home tax abatement on April 27, 2021 at 9:30a.m. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Commissioners reported on the following Committee meetings:

Commissioner Wildermuth: Pipestone Area Coalition, Southwest Mental Health Consortium, SMOC, SWHHS, Solid Waste, Rural Minnesota Energy Board, Casey Jones Trail, United Community Action Transit Presentation, Annual Road and Bridge Hearing

Commissioner Roskamp: AMC County Government 101, United Community Action Transit Presentation, CFR Broadband, Fair Board, Annual Road and Bridge Hearing.

Commissioner Nath: Courthouse Union Negotiations, PrimeWest, Vaccination Update at PCMC, Southwest Mental Health, Soil and Water, Southwest PIC, Road and Bridge Annual Meeting, SWHHS, Extension, Radio Board, UCAP, Extension.

Commissioner Hollingsworth: Road and Bridge, PCMC Vaccine Update, SRDC, CPT, Extension, Road and Bridge Hearing, Road and Bridge Committee.

#### **SHERIFF'S OFFICE CPR PRE-ARRIVAL AGREEMENT**

Sheriff Keith Vreeman and Jail Administrator Tyler Rippentrop requested approval of a Service Agreement between Pipestone County and HealthEast Medical Transportation in which HealthEast agrees to perform telephonic instruction to a 911 caller who requests ambulance care for a medical emergency or injury and who is physically present with the patient and willing to perform on-call pre-arrival CPR instructions. There is no cost to this agreement. Motion by Hollingsworth, seconded by Wildermuth to approve the Service Agreement between Pipestone County and HealthEast. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Commissioners reported on the following Committee Meetings:

Commissioner Johnson: Road and Bridge Committee, Holland City Council, SWCD, MRC, Annual Road and Bridge Hearing, Highway 23 Coalition, AMC Board, Southwest Regional Solid Waste Commission, Road and Bridge Committee, Audit Committee Consult from Eide Bailey, Recycling Seminar, Avera Consultors Board, AMC Board/Futures Joint Committee Meeting, Minnesota Transportation Alliance Federal Update, UCAP Overview, AREA II, RCRCA, PCMC Plant Operations, Ruthton City Council, AMC Coffee, Highway 23 Coalition Projects Committee, SWCD, Hospital Executive Committee, Minnesota Rural Counties.

Motion by Wildermuth, seconded by Roskamp to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 10:15a.m.

Luke Johnson  
Pipestone County Board Chairman

ATTEST: Steven Ewing  
County Administrator