

January 17, 2023

Pipestone County Commissioners Special Meeting
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The Pipestone County Commissioners met with Chairman Dan Wildermuth, Commissioners Chris Hollingsworth, Doug Nagel, Luke Johnson, Dallas Roskamp, County Administrator Steve Ewing present. Chairman Dan Wildermuth called the special meeting to order at 2:45 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Commissioners welcomed Mr. Bob LeFavre, Toerben Rasmussen, Jesper Nielsen and Matt Bruyette from Nature Energy Company to the meeting to present information and answer questions regarding possible siting of a biogas facility in Pipestone County. A biogas plant is an effective system for recycling of nutrients, producing over 0.5 million tons of nutrient rich green fertilizer, saving costs on fertilizers and improving the environmental footprint of farms. The process includes the collection of organic waste while methane and CO2 evaporation are removed from the farmland, organic waste is transported, the waste is reduced to biomass in a grinder, the biogas plant converts the carbons from waste to methane and CO2 and the residual product is used as more efficient fertilizer in the fields with less smell.

The Nature Energy representatives answered questions from the Commissioners and interested parties attending the meeting.

No action was taken at the meeting, and Chairman Wildermuth thanked the Nature Energy representatives for their information.

Motion by Roskamp, seconded by Johnson to adjourn the special meeting. Yeas: Johnson, Wildermuth, Hollingsworth, Nagel, Roskamp. Nays: none. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 4:31 P.M.

Dan Wildermuth
Pipestone County Board Chairman

ATTEST:

Steven Ewing
County Administrator

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