

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

**AGENDA**

Motion by Nagel, seconded by Hollingsworth to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion by Johnson, seconded by Roskamp to approve the consent agenda as follows:

1. Approve Commissioners Minutes: 04/11/2023
2. Approve Commissioners Warrants in the amount of \$115,636.21
3. Approve Auditors Warrants: 04/14/2023, 04/20/2023
4. Approve Hospital Warrants \$791,910.10

Motion carried unanimously.

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

<b>Vendor Name</b>	<b>Amount Paid</b>
PEAK PROS, INC	31,948.50
Minnesota UI Fund	12,039.25
Pipestone County Highway Department	11,660.50
Hiawatha Sno Blazers	8,876.34
Dell Marketing LP	7,112.04
Pipestone County Auditor-Treasurer	7,012.00
Yellow Medicine County Jail	4,541.79
Sanitation Products Inc	2,629.81
TransMedic Billing	2,610.08
Penguin Management Inc	2,520.00
Pipestone County Medical Center	2,349.75
PDQ/SMARTDEPLOY	2,256.00
Rustad's Design Center	2,200.00
Morris Electronics Inc	2,094.32
Warrants over \$2,000	\$99,850.38
Number of Claims under \$2,000	44
Warrants under \$2,000	<u>\$15,785.83</u>
Total	<u>\$115,636.21</u>

**ROAD AND BRIDGE ITEMS**

County Engineer Nick Bergman requested approval to purchase crack seal material. Quotes received were as follows:

Midstates

Crack Sealant	23,760 lbs (12 pallets) x \$0.632/lb = \$15,016.32
Freight	23,760 lbs x \$0.016/lb = <u>\$380.16</u>
TOTAL =	\$15,396.48

Brock White

Crack Sealant	21,450 lb (11 pallets) x \$0.75/lb = \$16,087.50
Freight=	<u>\$0.00</u>
TOTAL =	\$16,087.50

Motion by Nagel, seconded by Roskamp to approve the purchase of crack sealant material from Midstates in the amount of \$15,396.48. Motion carried unanimously. There is \$15,000 in the 2023 budget for purchase of crack sealant and funds come out of the State Aid account.

Engineer Bergman reported that the funding source for the Stone Arch Bridge project has changed. The special town bridge funding money is gone, but the State has agreed to add the project to the bonding list.

Engineer Bergman reported that road postings may be lifted early this year, possibly sooner than May 8, 2023.

**BUILDING MAINTENANCE PROJECTS**

Building and Grounds Maintenance Supervisor Wayne Drew requested approval of a quote for \$9,440.00 from Legacy Services Corporation for cleaning and decontamination of 6 furnace systems and associated ductwork for the Family Services Building, located at 1091 North Hiawatha Avenue in Pipestone. Motion by Roskamp, seconded by Hollingsworth to approve the quote for \$9,440.00 from Legacy Services Corporation for cleaning and decontamination of 6 furnace systems and associated ductwork for the Family Services Building. Motion carried unanimously.

Building and Grounds Maintenance Supervisor Wayne Drew presented a quote for \$116,652.00 from Schumacher Elevator Company to repair and upgrade the Courthouse Elevator. Consensus of the Board to direct Drew to obtain more bids and bring them back to a future meeting.

**RESOLUTION 59-16-23 ASSESSOR APPOINTMENT**

Motion by Hollingsworth, seconded by Roskamp to approve Resolution 59-13-23 Appointing Christine McChesney as Pipestone County Assessor for a Provisional Term effective April 10, 2023 through April 10, 2025 in accordance with Minnesota Statute 273.061. Motion carried unanimously.

**PERSONNEL**

Human Resources Coordinator Cathy Feste requested approval of Highway Maintenance Worker David Kooiman's resignation and retirement effective June 29, 2023. Motion by Roskamp, seconded by Johnson to approve Highway Maintenance worker David Kooiman's retirement effective June 29, 2023. Motion carried unanimously. Commissioners expressed gratitude for Kooiman's 34 years of service.

**TAX ABATEMENT PUBLIC HEARING**

Auditor/ Treasurer Amanda Sandy joined the meeting. Motion by Roskamp, seconded by Johnson to open the public hearing on a proposed property tax abatement request from Lloyd Zwart (Zwart Family Living Trust) consisting of new home construction located in the City of Edgerton. Motion carried unanimously. Public hearing opened at 10:00a.m. No public comment was received. Motion by Hollingsworth, seconded by Roskamp to approve Resolution 59-14-23 granting the abatement for parcel ID 13-460-0080, City of Edgerton with an estimated value of abatement of \$948.00 annually. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Johnson, seconded by Nagel to close the public hearing. Motion carried unanimously. Public Hearing closed at 10:03a.m.

#### MCIT ANNUAL UPDATE

MCIT Risk Management Consultant Tom Suppes presented the MCIT Annual Report to Commissioners and answered questions.

#### PLUM CREEK LIBRARY ANNUAL REPORT

Plum Creek Library Director Elizabeth Hoffman and Edgerton Library Director Dena Berghorst joined the meeting. Director Hoffman reviewed Plum Creek's recent initiatives and programming and presented the 2024 funding request.

#### AMC/NACO PUBLIC LANDS FUNDING REQUEST

County Administrator Steve Ewing presented a letter from National Association of Counties (NACo) and the Western Interstate Region (WIR). NACo and WIR have established the National Center for Public Lands Counties to create a center to use new and traditional media to tell these stories as well as develop detailed, individual research and written county profiles. To finance this endeavor, NACo and WIR are looking for a voluntary investment of \$15 million over the next two years. That amounts to one percent of the recently distributed Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund. They are seeking \$1,000 from Pipestone county over two years. Motion by Johnson, seconded by Nagel to approve the funding request to AMC/NACO for the Public Lands project using the LATCF (Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund) Yeas: Hollingsworth, Johnson, Nagel, Wildermuth. Nays: Roskamp. Motion carried.

#### STATE OF MINNESOTA LEASE AGREEMENT

County Administrator Steve Ewing presented an Amended Lease from the Department of Public Safety, Driver and Vehicle Services to use the Courthouse Community Room for Driver's License Testing. Term of the Lease is five years, commencing July 1, 2023 and continuing through June 30, 2028. The Department of Vehicle Services agrees to pay a rental rate of \$400.00 per quarter, not to exceed \$1,600.00 per year. Motion by Hollingsworth, seconded by Wildermuth to approve the State of Minnesota Lease Agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

#### WATERTOWER FESTIVAL USE OF COURTHOUSE GROUNDS

Motion by Nagel, seconded by Johnson to approve the request from Pipestone Area Chamber of Commerce to use the Courthouse Grounds for the Annual Water Tower Festival June 23 through June 25, 2023. Motion carried unanimously.

#### WESTERN MENTAL HEALTH OPEN HOUSE

Administrator Ewing stated that the Joint Board Meeting and Public Open House with Western Mental Health has been scheduled for Monday, May 15, 2023 at 1:30p.m. at Pipestone County Medical Center. Motion by Hollingsworth, seconded by Nagel to approve the Special Board Meeting for the Western Mental Health Open House on Monday, May 15, 2023 at 1:30p.m. at Pipestone County Medical Center. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Johnson, seconded by Hollingsworth to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 10:44a.m.

Dan Wildermuth

Pipestone County Board Chairman

ATTEST: Steven Ewing

County Administrator