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Pipestone County Commissioners Organizational Meeting

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The Pipestone County Commissioners met with Jack Keers, Luke Johnson, Larry G. Carstensen, Jerry Remund, Marv Tinklenberg and Auditor Joyce Steinhoff present for the annual organizational meeting and Highway Department agenda. Auditor Joyce Steinhoff called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM with the Pledge Allegiance to the Flag.

NEWLY ELECTED OATH OF OFFICE

Judge David Christensen administered the Oath of Office to newly elected Commissioners, District One Luke Johnson, District Three Marvin Tinklenberg, and District 5 Jerry R. Remund.

ELECTION OF BOARD CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR AS PER MS375.13

Auditor Joyce Steinhoff called for nominations for chair. Motion by Tinklenberg, seconded by Remund to nominate Larry Carstensen for chairman for 2005. Motion by Keers, seconded by Tinklenberg for nominations to cease and cast a unanimous ballot for Larry Carstensen. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Carstensen called for nominations for Vice-Chairman for 2005. Motion by Tinklenberg, seconded by Remund to nominate Commissioner Jack Keers for Vice-Chairman for 2005. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Keers, seconded by Tinklenberg to approve agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

2005 COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS & BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

Motion by Remund, seconded by Keers to approve Resolution 59-01-2005 listing the committee appointments for 2005 and scheduling Commissioners meetings on the first Tuesday of the month at 9:00 AM at the MN Dot Conference Room, second, and fourth Tuesday of each month at 9:00 AM in the Commissioners Room at the Courthouse, Social Service meeting on the third Tuesday at 9:00 AM in the Commissioners Room at the Courthouse, and the Hospital

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Board Meeting on the third Tuesday of each month at 1:00 in the lower level Education Room of the Medical Facility. Motion carried unanimously.

OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER 2005

Motion by Tinklenberg, seconded by Remund to adopt Resolution 59-02-2005 establishing the Pipestone County Star as the official legal newspaper for 2005. Motion carried unanimously.

DESIGNATED PUBLIC DEPOSITORIES FOR 2005

Motion by Johnson, seconded by Tinklenberg to approve Resolution 59-03-2005 designating Buffalo Ridge Bank, Ruthton; Cadre (Magic Fund); Edward D. Jones and Company; Jasper State Bank, Jasper; First Farmers & Merchants National Bank, Pipestone; First National Bank & Trust, Pipestone; First State Bank of Pipestone, Rushmore, Worthington, and Edgerton; Wachovia Securities (Prudential) and All banks and financial institutions that our brokerage firms deposit in and the Pipestone County Board of Commissioners have designated and brokerage firms to act as depositories of the Pipestone County funds. Motion carried unanimously.

COUNTY AUDITOR WARRANTS

Motion by Remund, seconded by Keers to approve Resolution 59-04-2005 designating and approving County Auditor Warrants for 2005. Motion carried unanimously.

WORKER'S COMPENSATION RESOLUTION

Motion by Tinklenberg, seconded by Keers to approve Resolution 59-05-2005 resolving that pursuant to the requirements of MN Stat. 176.011, subd. 9 (6), that all officers of Pipestone County who are elected or appointed to a regular term of office, or to complete the unexpired position of a regular term shall be included within the definition of "employee" as that term is defined in MN Stat. 176.011, subd. 9 for purposes of coverage under the Workers' Compensation Laws of the State. Motion carried unanimously.

2005 COUNTY BOARD MEETINGS / PER DIEM RESOLUTION / MEETING SCHEDULE

Motion by Remund, seconded by Keers to approve 2005 Per Diem Resolution 59-06-2005. Ayes: Keers, Carstensen, Remund, and Tinklenberg. Nay: Johnson. Motion carried.

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Commissioner Johnson stated that the Commissioners should lower the 2005 per diem rate since the base pay was increased and the hiring of a County Coordinator.

Motion by Johnson, seconded by Remund to approve Resolution 59-07-2005 on conducting County Board Meetings. Motion carried unanimously. A complete copy of Resolutions 59-01-2005 through 59-07-2005 are available for public review during regular business hours in the Auditor's Office.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION DATE

Motion by Keers, seconded by Tinklenberg to set the 2005 County Board of Equalization Date for June 16, 2005 at 1:00 PM in the Commissioners Room. Motion carried unanimously.

COUNTY COORDINATOR OFFICE

Commissioner Keers stated that equipment and furnishings needed to be purchased for the County Coordinator's Office. Chairmen Carstensen reported that a phone line has been ordered and staff is locating some furnishings to get started. Motion by Keers, seconded by Tinklenberg to approve the purchase of a lap top computer from the 2004 County Coordinator Budget. Motion carried unanimously.

Highway Engineer Dave Halbersma joined the meeting at 10:15.

ASSOCIATION OF MINNESOTA COUNTIES (AMC) UPDATE – CAROL LOVRO

Carol Lovro of AMC presented an update and review on AMC's activities and legislative actions affecting Counties and what AMC can do to help. Lovro among other things stated concern for the 2006 Program Aid to Counties and return of levy limits.

MULTI COUNTY DRUG FORCE UPDATE. – SHERIFF DAN DELANEY

Sheriff Delaney gave an update on the Multi County Drug Force stating that a Multi Jurisdictional Task Force Joint Powers Agreement will be coming for board approval when completed.

PROJECT UPDATES

PROJECTS IN THE PLANNING STAGE

2005 Culvert Projects

SAP 59-599-48 Twp Rd. 269 culvert #516 replacements.
SAP 59-599-49 Twp Rd. 271 Culvert #L3651 replacement
SAP 59-599-50 Twp Rd. 255(S) culvert #L3621 replacement.
SAP 59-599-53 Twp Rd. 255(N) culvert replacement

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SAP 59-599-54 Twp Rd. 267 Bridge #L3641 replacement
SAP 59-599-58 Rock Twp. Bridge #L3707 replacement
SAP 59-599-60 Troy Twp. Bridge #L9019 replacement
SAP 59-599-61 Grange Twp. Bridge #L3746 replacement
SAP 59-599-62 Rock Twp. Bridge #L3729 replacement
Comments: Plans are approved and/or at Mn/Dot waiting for approval.
Right-of-way issue on SAP 59-599-53

2005 Overlay Projects

SAP 59-602-23 Overlay of CSAH 02, From CSAH 18 to E. County line.
SAP 59-612-02 Overlay of CSAH 12, From TH 23 to E. County line.
SAP 59-613-14 Overlay of CSAH 13, From TH 269 to CSAH 2
SAP 59-615-29 Overlay of CSAH 15, From CSAH 1 to CSAH 2
SAP 59-616-27 Overlay of CSAH 16, From Hatfield to TH 30
SAP 59-616-28 Overlay of CSAH 16, From CSAH 16 to TH 23
SAP 59-623-02 Overlay of CSAH 23, From CSAH 18 to CSAH 18
SAP 59-624-03 Overlay of CSAH 24, Main St. Holland
Comments: Plans are approved. Set letting date for February 1st, 2005 at 10:00 AM

TH 268/CSAH 9

SAP 59-609-02 Reconstruction of old TH 268, From Edgerton to TH 75
SAP 59-609-03 Replacement of Bridge #6405 on old TH 268
SAP 59-609-04 Reconstruction of old TH 268, From CSAH 18 to Edgerton
Comments: Plans are 90% completed. Street light agreement/resolution.
TH 268 turnback bill

Pipestone 6th Ave. project

SAP 59-635-02 Reconstruction of 6th Ave. from 11th St. to TH 30
Comments: Plans are 50% completed.

Elmer Township Bridge replacement

SAP 59-599-52 Elmer Twp. Bridge #L3730 replacement.
Comments: Topeka shiner issue.

PROJECTS UNDER CONTRACT

Duininck Brothers Inc. 2004 Overlay projects.

SAP 59-601-27 Overlay of CSAH 01, from S. County line to E. County line.
SAP 59-606 -17 Overlay of CSAH 06, From CSAH 10 to N. County line
SAP 59-616-26 Overlay of CSAH 16, From 3 mi W. of CSAH 18 to CSAH 18.
SAP 59-621-04 Overlay of CSAH 21, From CSAH 18 to CH 92.
SAP 59-627-02 Overlay of CSAH 27, From CSAH 30 to 4th Ave NE.
SAP 59-630-08 Overlay of CSAH 30, From CSAH 27 to 3900' N of 9th Street
CP 2004-030 Overlay of CSAH 30, From 3900' N. of 9th Street to CH 67.
SAP 59-636-08 Overlay of CSAH 36, From CSAH 40 to 7th Ave. E.
Comments: Liquidated damages.

Duininck Brothers Inc.

SP 59-596-01 Overlay of CH 59, From TH 75 to TH 268
Comments: Liquidated damages

Rupp Construction Co.

CP 2004 – 100 Gravel Crushing
Comments: Contract is finished. Liquidated damages.

Duininck Brothers Inc.

SP 59-599-41 Bridge replacement #L3727 (Osborne Township)
Comments: Major work is complete. Bridge is open to traffic. Minor finish work remaining
SAP 59-617-08 Bridge #L3604 replacement (CSAH 17)
Comments: Major work is complete. Bridge is open to traffic. Minor finish work remaining.

Central Specialties Inc.

SP 59-604-03 – 2004 Federal Aid Project
Reconstruction and blacktop of CSAH 04, From CSAH 13 to TH 23

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Engineer Halbersma reported that he met with the commissioners committee on Dunnick Brothers liquidated damages on SAP 59-596-01, SAP 59-601-27, and SAP 59-606-17.

Consensus of the committee was not to forgive the liquidated damages based on the fact that all the damages were safety related.

Motion by Tinklenberg, seconded by Johnson to wave Rupp Construction Company's three day penalty on gravel crushing and just apply a one day penalty of \$250 or gravel in lieu of penalty. Motion carried unanimously.

Right-of-way issues were discussed on SAP 59-599-53 with no final action.

Motion by Keers, seconded by Tinklenberg to set bid letting for 2005 Overlay Projects for February 1, 2005 at 10:00 AM. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Tinklenberg, seconded by Johnson to approve Resolution 59-08-2005 for Pipestone County to enter into an agreement with the State Department of Transportation to provide maintenance and electrical energy for the new street lighting at junction of TH 75 and TH 268 as per agreement No. 87457 and authorize Highway Engineer and Auditor to sign and execute the agreement. Motion carried unanimously. A complete copy of Resolution 59-08-2005 is available for public review during regular business hours in the Auditor's Office.

Engineer Halbersma reported that a Small Claims Court date has been set to collect an overdue bill.

Motion by Tinklenberg, seconded by Keers to approve the December 28, 2004 minutes as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Keers, seconded by Tinklenberg to hire Labor Attorney Dennis O'Brien to aid with Highway Union negotiations. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Remund, seconded by Keers to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 11:50 AM.

ATTEST: /s/Joyce Steinhoff
Joyce Steinhoff
Auditor

/s/Marv Tinklenberg
Marv Tinklenberg
Chairman

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