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Pipestone County R&B Meeting
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The Pipestone County Commissioners met with Chairman Jerry L. Remund and Commissioners Luke Johnson, Jack Keers, Harold (Butch) Miller, Marvin Tinklenberg, Highway Engineer David Halbersma and County Coordinator Sharon Hanson present. Chairman Remund called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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

PROJECT UPDATES

Engineer Halbersma presented updates on projects under contract and projects in the planning stage.

Steve Jasper, City of Holland Maintenance, expressed the City of Holland's concern regarding the reconstruction of CSAH 24 and the proximity of an installed drainage pipe to a water main and the possibility of the water main freezing. Discussion was held on how the County was or was not notified of the water main location prior to construction and how the County should help the City of Holland if the water main breaks in the future. Consensus of the Board directing Engineer Halbersma to insulate the opening of the drainage pipe this fall and insulate underneath the pipe in the area where it runs parallel within ten feet of the water main during the next construction season.

FUNCTIONAL CLASS STUDY

Engineer Halbersma presented information on a functional class study being conducted by the Southwest Regional Development Corporation for the MN Department of Transportation and proposed classification changes for Pipestone County.

HIGHWAY TRUCK STORAGE BUILDING BID OPENING-10:00 AM

County Attorney Jim O'Neill joined the meeting. The following bids were received for the truck storage building: D&W Construction at \$136,897.00, Bladholm Construction at \$152,000.00, Doom and Cuypers Construction Inc. at \$131,279.00. Engineer Halbersma will review the bids and report back to the Board at the September 12, 2006 Commissioner Meeting.

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AREAT TRANSPORATION PARTNERSHIP

Engineer Halbersma reviewed a proposed new Area Transportation Partnership (ATP)/Federal Funding Process for federal highway funding starting in 2007.

COUNTY ATTORNEY JIM O'NEILL

County Attorney O'Neill provided information on the ditch petition process as set forth per statute and information required to be submitted to the Board by the petitioner. Consensus of the Board directing Coordinator Hanson to contact the City of Pipestone to request information set forth as per Minnesota Statute 103E.411.

Coordinator Hanson provided the Board an update on the Pipestone Family Services and Lincoln, Lyon, Murray (LLM) Human Services feasibility study proposal from Maximus and requested clarification from County Attorney O'Neill regarding whether the Family Services Board or the Pipestone County Board has authority to enter into an agreement with Maximus. Board County Attorney O'Neill discussed the Family Services Board relationship with the Pipestone County Board and the joint powers agreement statute that would form the merged family services/human services agencies. County Attorney O'Neill offered his opinion that the County Board would enter into a joint powers agreement not the Family Services Board and thus the County Board should enter into the Maximus feasibility study agreement.

Motion by Johnson, seconded by Miller to not proceed with the Maximus feasibility study agreement. Yeas: Johnson, Miller. Nays: Keers, Remund, Tinklenberg. Motion failed.

Motion by Keers, seconded by Tinklenberg to authorize Board Chair signature of the Maximus feasibility study agreement. Yeas: Keers, Remund, Tinklenberg. Nays: Johnson, Miller. Motion carried.

MAINTENANCE UPDATES

Engineer Halbersma informed the Board of recent maintenance activities of the Highway Department.

RADIO REPEATERS REPLACEMENT

Emergency Management Director Harlan Nepp joined the meeting to request authorization to purchase replacement emergency services repeaters for the Holland and Jasper areas. The following quotes were received: Racom at \$19,456.38 and M&H Communications at

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\$20,127.50. Motion by Johnson, seconded by Keers to approve quote to replace the Holland and Jasper repeaters from Racom in the amount of \$19,456.38. Motion carried unanimously.

GIS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY LYON COUNTY PROPOSALS

Information Technology Coordinator Bill Folger and Conservation and Zoning Administrator Kyle Krier joined the meeting to discuss a proposal from Lyon County to share Geographic Information Systems (GIS) staff, equipment and hardware starting in 2007. Motion by Miller, seconded by Johnson to proceed with GIS proposal for services from Lyon County and provide for in the 2007 budget. Motion carried unanimously.

Coordinator Hanson presented a resolution to share an information technology (IT) staff person from Lyon County starting in 2007 and eliminate the Pipestone County IT Coordinator position effective November 30, 2006. Consensus of the Board to not proceed with resolution to share an IT staff person from Lyon County and not to eliminate the Pipestone County IT Coordinator position.

2007 BUDGET AND PRELIMINARY LEVY

Coordinator Hanson updated the Board on the 2007 budget. Consensus of the Board to schedule the setting of the preliminary levy at the September 12, 2006 Commissioner meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Keers, seconded by Miller to approve the following items on the consent agenda:

1. Minutes of August 22, 2006 Commissioner Meeting
2. Approve Bridge Design Consultant Erickson Engineering for Bridges 7039, L3550, 7283 and L3587.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Keers, seconded by Johnson to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 12:23 p.m.

Jerry L. Remund
Pipestone County Board Chair

ATTEST:

Sharon Hanson
County Coordinator