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Pipestone County Commissioner Meeting
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The Pipestone County Commissioners met with Chairman Jerry Remund and Commissioners Luke Johnson, Jack Keers, Harold (Butch) Miller, Marvin Tinklenberg, County Attorney Jim O'Neill 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 Miller, seconded by Johnson to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Johnson, seconded by Tinklenberg to approve the following items on the consent agenda:

1. Minutes of October 10, 2006
2. Resolution 59-45-06 Lincoln-Pipestone Rural Water Board of Commissioners Appointments

Motion carried unanimously.

COUNTY COORDINATOR-SHARON HANSON

Coordinator Hanson presented and the Board reviewed the 2006 3rd Quarter Budget information.

Coordinator Hanson reviewed the Pipestone County strategic planning session and future activities, proposed scheduling of Board agenda items for the remainder of the year, Courthouse door update and a review of leadership training attended by the Coordinator.

PUBLIC HEARING CONTINUATION – COUNTY DITCH PETITION #1

At 9:30 a.m. Chairman Remund reconvened the County Ditch Petition #1 public hearing to consider a petition by the City of Pipestone to use Judicial Ditch No. 1 as an outlet for the City of Pipestone's municipal drainage system or its overflow. Present for the City of Pipestone were Mayor Darrell Tinklenberg and City Administrator Jeff Jones. City Administrator Jones informed the Board that the City of Pipestone had not yet received approval from the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) as required by Minnesota Statutes and that the City would continue to contact MPCA to acquire approval.

Motion by Keers to approve the County Ditch #1 Petition submitted by the City of Pipestone and waive MPCA approval and assess \$5,000.00 for the installed outlet. Chairman Remund called for a second to the motion. Hearing none, Chairman Remund announced the motion to approve the Petition failed for lack of a second.

Motion by Johnson to deny County Ditch #1 Petition submitted by the City of Pipestone for lack of MPCA approval. Chairman Remund called for a second to the motion. Hearing none, Chairman Remund announced the motion to deny the Petition failed for lack of a second.

Motion Miller, seconded by Johnson to delay any decision on the County Ditch #1 Petition submitted by the City of Pipestone until MPCA approval is attained and continue County Ditch #1 Public Hearing to a later date and time to be determined. Motion carried unanimously.

COUNTY DITCH #1 EXISTING OUTLETS

Commissioner Johnson presented information on existing outlets of County Ditch #1. Motion by Johnson, seconded by Miller to require the City of Pipestone to submit a petition for the outlet located near the Old Home Bakery Outlet Store. Discussion was held on the motion. Yeas: Johnson, Miller. Nay: Keers, Remund, Tinklenberg. Motion failed.

MINNESOTA MERIT SYSTEM AFFIRMATIVE ACTION GUIDELINES

Motion by Keers, seconded by Tinklenberg to approve the Minnesota Merit System Affirmative Action Guidelines for the Family Services Agency and authorize Board Chair signature. Motion carried unanimously.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMITS

Planning/Zoning Conservation Office Assistant Mavis Kruisselbrink joined the meeting to present conditional use permit Findings of Fact, Conclusions, Recommendations for the following: Dick Haase microwave tower and Paul White meteorological tower.

Mr. Dick Haase from Trillion Partners Inc. joined the meeting to explain the microwave tower construction request and answered questions regarding present and future wind tower locations. Motion by Johnson, seconded by Miller to accept the Dick Haase microwave tower Findings of Fact, Conclusions, Recommendations and grant the conditional use permit for the construction of a microwave tower on land owned by Darrell Houselog in Rock Township, Section 2. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Keers, seconded by Tinklenberg to accept the Paul White meteorological tower located in Burke Township, Section 1 Findings of Fact, Conclusions, Recommendations and grant the conditional use permit with the condition that the conditional use permit would be

for a period of three years after which time the tower would need to be removed or the conditional use permit renewed. Motion carried unanimously.

MUNICIPALITY CONTRACTS-SHERIFF DAN DELANEY

Sheriff Dan Delaney joined the meeting to present and provide an update on the Buffalo Ridge Drug Task Force grant application that was approved at the September 12, 2006 Commissioner meeting. As a result of utilizing an existing staff person, the one year grant does not include a need for additional staff.

MOTOR GRADER PURCHASE-COUNTY ENGINEER DAVID HALBERSMA

County Highway Engineer David Halbersma joined the meeting to present the following used motor grader quotes: used 143H CAT at a base price plus tax and warranty in the amount of \$229,545 and less trade in of \$117,000 and less deduct on low hour machine of \$27,100 for a total price of \$85,445; used John Deere 772D at a base price plus tax and warranty in the amount of \$223,088 and less trade in of \$115,000 and less deduct on low hour machine of \$18,425 for a total price of \$89,663. Motion by Tinklenberg, seconded by Johnson to accept the 143 used CAT quote at a base price plus tax and warranty in the amount of \$229,545 and less trade in of \$117,000 and less deduct on low hour machine of \$27,100 for a total price of \$85,445. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Miller, seconded by Tinklenberg to approve as an Auditor Warrant, Trimble GPS training for Dave Halbersma and Bruce Wollan in the amount of \$495.00 per attendee. Motion carried unanimously.

PIPESTONE COUNTY INVESTMENT POLICY

Treasurer Steve Weets joined the meeting to present and discuss the Pipestone County Investment Policy Update. Motion by Keers, seconded by Tinklenberg to exclude hospital funds from the Investment Policy Update. Yeas: Keers, Tinklenberg. Nays: Johnson, Miller, Remund. Motion failed. Motion by Johnson, seconded by Miller to approve the Pipestone County Investment Policy Update with the inclusion of the portfolio and advisory sections from the January 4, 1994 Investment Policy. Motion carried unanimously.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY-BILL FOLGER

Information Technology (IT) Coordinator Bill Folger joined the meeting to provide an update on technology for the County.

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IT Coordinator Folger presented a proposed surplus computer equipment disposal policy. Motion by Johnson, seconded by Miller to adopt the following surplus computer equipment disposal policy: Authorize the Information Technology Coordinator to use his discretion on the disposal or re-use of surplus computers and equipment with the understanding that the hard drives will be destroyed and rescind the April 22, 2003 surplus computer equipment motion. Motion carried unanimously.

PERSONNEL-HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR JUDY OLDEMEYER

Motion by Tinklenberg, seconded by Miller to close the meeting at the request of IT Coordinator Folger for his nine month probation evaluation. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting closed at 11:38 a.m. Motion by Johnson, seconded by Miller to open the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting opened at 11:52 a.m. Motion by Keers, seconded by Miller to approve the probation evaluation of IT Coordinator Bill Folger and grant regular employee status. Motion carried unanimously.

Director Oldemeyer reported on the following completed performance evaluation: Highway Maintenance Supervisor Doug Nagel and Deputy Auditor Sandy Erickson.

Deputy Assessor Joyce Schmidt joined the meeting. Assessor Schmidt informed the Board that she has met the necessary training and education to be granted provisional status as a County Assessor. Motion by Tinklenberg, seconded by Johnson to appoint Joyce Schmidt County Assessor with provisional status. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Tinklenberg, seconded by Keers to set Assessor Schmidt's salary at Range 12, Step H. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Keers, seconded by Miller to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 12:32 p.m.

Jerry L. Remund
Pipestone County Board Chair

ATTEST:

Sharon Hanson
County Coordinator