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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, James Keyes, 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 Miller 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.

Engineer Halbersma informed the Board that he will seek request for proposals for bridge designs for bridges located on Township Road 272 and Township Road 253

Engineer Halbersma informed the Board that he will attend an asbestos inspection class because of recent Minnesota Department of Transportation (MN DOT) requirements for asbestos bridge inspections.

Engineer Halbersma provided an update on the County State Aid 9 project and an upcoming final payment due to MN DOT.

ASSISTANT ENGINEER POSITION

Engineer Halbersma provided an update on the vacant Assistant Engineer position and the interviews would be conducted soon.

RESOLUTION 59-41-07 APPROVING TERMS OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND SALE

Motion by Johnson, seconded by Keyes to adopt Resolution 59-41-07 approving terms for the sale of 2007 tax-forfeited land in Pipestone County as specified in Minnesota Statutes 282.02. Motion carried unanimously.

MAINTENANCE ISSUES/UPDATES

Engineer Halbersma updated the Board on maintenance issues for the past month.

STAFFING UPDATE-MOTOR GRADER OPERATOR POSITION

Engineer Halbersma informed the Board that as a result of the recent motor grader operator resignation, Engineer Halbersma has contacted Altona and Troy Township

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representatives on whether the townships would like to maintain the gravel roads currently maintained by the County in their respective townships. Engineer Halbersma stated the townships will consider the road maintenance, however Engineer Halbermsa will proceed with the advertising of the motor grader operator position to keep the process moving.

Engineer Halbersma and the Board discussed the motor grader operator job description and the current requirement to live within 10 miles radius of the City of Pipestone and a 30 minute response time. Motion by Miller, seconded by Tinklenberg to remove the 10 mile radius job description requirement and require a 30 minute response time under normal conditions. Motion carried unanimously.

FARMING IN THE RIGHT OF WAY

Engineer Halbersma stated this fall or next spring he intends to place lathes to delineate the right of way line to further enhance enforcement of farming in the right of way violations.

OTHER BUSINESS

Coordinator Hanson presented a request from the Boy Scouts to place concrete under the roll-offs located at the City of Pipestone location for recycling. Motion by Miller, seconded by Keyes to partner with Boy Scouts on concrete work at the City of Pipestone 4th St. recycling site. Motion carried unanimously.

Coordinator Hanson presented a request from the Holly Hoppers Dance Club to use the Courthouse Community Room for dance lessons beginning mid-October. Discussion was held on allowed use of the Community Room and liability insurance requirements. Consensus of the Board directing Coordinator Hanson to check into liability insurance requirements and report back to the Board at the October 9, 2007 Commissioner meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS

Motion by Tinklenberg, seconded by Johnson to approve the following item on the consent agenda:

1. Minutes of September 25, 2007.
2. Approve BCA As Approved Auditor Warrant

Motion carried unanimously.

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Motion by Tinklenberg, seconded by Miller to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 10:23 a.m.

Jerry L. Remund
Pipestone County Board Chair

ATTEST:

Sharon Hanson
County Coordinator