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Pipestone County Commissioner Meeting  
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The Pipestone County Commissioners met with Chairman Dan Wildermuth, Commissioners Chris Hollingsworth, Luke Johnson, Bruce Kooiman and Les Nath. County Administrator Steve Ewing also present. Chairman Wildermuth called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**AGENDA**

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

**CONSENT AGENDA**

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

1. Approve Minutes of March 27, 2018
2. Approve Auditor Warrants from March 30, 2018

Motion carried unanimously.

**PROJECT UPDATES, PROJECTS UNDER CONTRACT, PROJECTS IN THE PLANNING STAGE**

Senior Staff Engineer Nick Bergman provided information on project updates, projects under contract and projects in the planning stage.

Senior Staff Engineer Bergman presented a list of Right of Way payments for project 59-613-15 as follows:

Margaret Tuinstra	\$10,410.00
Ron Carlson	\$ 2,590.00
Randy Carlson	\$10,520.00
Brent Tuinstra	\$ 840.00
William Peterson	\$ 3,380.00

Motion by Nath, seconded by Hollingsworth to approve Right of Way Payments for project 59-613-15 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Senior Staff Engineer Bergman updated the board on the status of the Stoneray Wind project. A meeting will be held on April 12<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. at the Highway Department meeting room with representatives from EDF Renewables, Pipestone and Murray County officials, Rock, Burke and Aetna Township board members to provide a progress update on project set to start on May 21, 2018.

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Senior Staff Engineer Bergman presented an update from the March 7, 2018 Road and Bridge Public Hearing.

1. County road 6 and 8 in the Holland area will be checked for possible overlay project in the 5-year plan.
2. CSAH 17 will have core samples taken to check on status of the gravel and also the crown will be checked. Commissioner Kooiman asked for possible inclusion of the road on the 5-year Road and Bridge plan.
3. Second year of dust control plan program is underway. Last year 3 landowners on CSAH 17 took advantage of the cost share plan. Staff Engineer Bergman will obtain quotes for calcium chloride for the 2018 year. Commissioners also requested the possibility of adding CSAH 25 from Trunk Highway 23 to the intersection of Trunk Highway 30 near Pipestone County Implement for dust control treatment.

Senior Staff Engineer Bergman provided board members with Highway Department Maintenance updates. He reported that crews were out 9 days in March plowing and sanding roads. Road posting signs were installed on March 9, 2018. Several culverts froze up causing flooding and road washouts requiring repair, one mile of road was closed due to runoff flooding. He also reported that the new Caterpillar grader was delivered on March 15<sup>th</sup> and was being readied for service. That grader will be housed in the Ruthton shop.

Chairman Wildermuth requested that Engineer Dave Halbersma come to the podium so that he could be thanked by the Commissioners for his 33 years of service with Pipestone County and wished him well in his retirement.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Commissioners reported on the following Committee Meetings:

Commissioner Johnson: Road and Bridge Hearing, Soil and Water Conservation District, Stoneray Wind project, Road and Bridge Committee, Solid Waste Committee, Holland City Council, Redwood Cottonwood Rivers, Solid Waste, Ruthton City Council.

Commissioner Hollingsworth: Road & Bridge Hearing, Road and Bridge Committee, Southwestern Mental Health, PCMC Hospital Board Meeting, Explore Southwest Extension, Friends of Casey Jones Trail, PCMC Executive Committee Update.

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Commissioner Kooiman: Road & Bridge Hearing, Southwest Regional Development Commission, County Personnel Committee (2), PCMC Plant Operations, Avera Leadership Conference.

Commissioner Nath: PCMC, Road and Bridge Hearing, Pipestone County Sheriff Drone Demonstration, Primewest, County Personnel Committee (2), PCMC Plant Operations, Southwest Mental Health, Avera Leadership Conference, SWPIC, Southwest Health and Human Services, Extension, Radio Board.

Commissioner Wildermuth: PCMC Executive meeting, Road & Bridge Hearing, Pipestone County Sheriff Drone Demonstration, Southwest Health and Human Services, Recycling Committee, Southwest Minnesota Opportunity Council, Pipestone Area Alcohol Coalition, Friends of the Casey Jones Trail.

Chairman Wildermuth recessed the meeting at 9:45a.m.

Chairman Wildermuth reconvened the meeting at 10:00 a.m.

**PIPESTONE COUNTY MEDICAL CENTER BID OPENING**

At 10:00 am Pipestone County Medical Center Building Supervisor Pete Swanson appeared to open bids for the ceiling replacement project in the second floor of the old hospital facility.

One bid was received:

Doom and Kuiper, Marshall, MN      \$315,492.00

Engineers Estimate                      \$315,000.00

Mr. Swanson also reported that there will be an approximately \$8,222.50 rebate from Xcel Energy for purchase of LED lighting for the project.

County Attorney Damain Sandy was present for the bid opening and he reported that the bid bond was in order.

Mr. Swanson will take the bid back for review of the specifications with the engineering firm and come back to the April 10, 2018 board meeting with a recommendation.

Chairman Wildermuth recessed the meeting at 10:03 a.m.

Chairman Wildermuth reconvened the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

**ROAD AND BRIDGE BID OPENING**

Senior Staff Engineer Nick Bergman and Highway Engineer Dave Halbersma appeared to open bids on two projects.

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2018 Culvert Projects

Bids were opened as follows:

A & C Excavating, Marshall MN	\$717,561.55
Henning Construction, Inc. Adrian, MN	\$796,078.65
Landwehr Construction, Inc. St Cloud, MN	\$900,900.90
Midwest Contracting, Inc. Marshall, MN	\$813,368.89
R & G Construction Co. Marshall, MN	\$831,589.05
Riley Bros. Construction, Inc. Morris MN	\$948,506.05
Engineers Estimate	\$759,387.50

Bids will be reviewed and a recommendation will be presented at the April 10, 2018 board meeting. No further action was taken.

2018 Gravel Crushing Project

Bids were opened as follows:

Central Specialties, Inc. Alexandria, MN	\$145,344.00
Ferguson Brothers Excavating, Alexandria, MN	\$130,480.00
Hard Rock Screening LLC, Little Falls, MN	\$ 89,040.00
Sterzinger Crushing, Taunton, MN	\$116,480.00
Sweetman Sand and Gravel, Currie, MN	\$ 96,880.00
Wm. D. Scepaniak, Holdingford, MN	\$ 98,560.00
Engineers Estimate (40,000 Yards)	\$106,400.00

Bids will be reviewed and a recommendation will be presented at the April 10, 2018 board meeting. No further action was taken.

Motion by Kooiman, seconded by Hollingsworth to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 10:58 a.m.

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Dan Wildermuth  
Pipestone County Board Chair

ATTEST:

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Steven Ewing  
County Administrator

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