

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

AGENDA

Motion by Kooiman, seconded by Johnson to approve the agenda as amended. Yeas: Hollingsworth, Johnson, Kooiman. Nay: None. Absent: Nath, Wildermuth. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

1. Approve Minutes of July 10, 2018
2. Auditors Warrants 7/13/18, 7/20/18
3. Hospital Warrants in the amount of \$554,484.10.

Yeas: Hollingsworth, Johnson, Kooiman. Nay: None. Absent: Nath, Wildermuth.

Motion carried.

TRI-COUNTY RECYCLING BALER REPAIR

County Administrator Steve Ewing reported that the baler at Tri-County Recycling needs to be repaired, and Murray County is requesting that Pipestone County pay one-third of the cost. Total cost of repair is \$23,962.00, Murray County has spending \$8,563.99.00 from their equipment reserve fund to offset the cost. Pipestone County has \$5,539.55 in the equipment reserve account, the Pipestone County portion of the remaining expense totals \$2,957.70.

Motion by Johnson, seconded by Kooiman to approve Pipestone County paying one-third of the cost of repairing the baler at Tri-County Recycling at a cost of \$2,957.70. Yeas: Hollingsworth, Johnson, Kooiman. Nay: None. Absent: Nath, Wildermuth. Motion carried.

FAIRGROUNDS SIGN

County Administrator Steve Ewing presented a drawing of the Pipestone County Fairgrounds sign and two quotes for construction. Both quotes were from Ace Signs of Sioux Falls, SD with the lit sign option totaling \$4,658.00 and the non-lit sign option totaling \$3,812.00. Motion by Kooiman, seconded by Johnson to authorize the installation of the lit-sign from Ace Signs in the amount of \$4,658.00. Yeas: Hollingsworth, Johnson, Kooiman. Nay: None. Absent: Nath, Wildermuth. Motion carried.

BUDGET UPDATE

Administrator Steve Ewing stated that he would like to distribute the budgets to the board by August 7th. Consensus of the board to hold the budget meetings during the regular Commissioner meetings on August 14, August 28, and September 4.

PIPESTONE COUNTY FOOD STAND RENTAL RATE

Motion by Kooiman, seconded by Johnson to set the rental rate for the Pipestone County Food Stand located at the Fairgrounds at \$250.00 per day. Yeas: Hollingsworth, Johnson, Kooiman. Nay: None. Absent: Nath, Wildermuth. Motion carried.

TAX ABATEMENT PUBLIC HEARING – 9:30AM RESOLUTION 59-25-18

Motion by Johnson, seconded by Kooiman to open the public hearing. Yeas: Hollingsworth, Johnson, Kooiman. Nay: None. Absent: Nath, Wildermuth. Motion carried. Public Hearing opened at 9:30a.m. A Tax Abatement Public Hearing was held for a proposed property tax abatement request from Greg and Amanda Kuehl. No public comment was received. Motion by Johnson, seconded by Kooiman to adopt Resolution 59-25-18 whereas Greg and Amanda Kuehl, for Parcel ID 02-027-0125 located in northwest Pipestone County has applied for a Home Tax Abatement pursuant to the County’s Home Tax Abatement Initiative. The County Board of Commissioners grants abatement of property taxes levied for property by the County for three (3) years, commencing with taxes payable for the assessed value related to the capital improvements outlined. The Abatement may be modified or terminated at any time by the Board of Commissioners. Yeas: Hollingsworth, Johnson, Kooiman. Nay: None. Absent: Nath, Wildermuth. Motion carried. Motion by Johnson, seconded by Kooiman to close the public hearing. Yeas: Hollingsworth, Johnson, Kooiman. Nay: None. Absent: Nath, Wildermuth. Motion carried. Public Hearing closed at 9:32a.m.

COUNTIES PROVIDING TECHNOLOGY UPDATE

County Administrator Steve Ewing reported that the contribution for each County joining the Counties Providing Technology (CPT) Joint Powers will be \$175,000.00. Motion by Johnson, seconded by Kooiman to appoint Commissioner Hollingsworth to the Counties Providing Technology Committee. Yeas: Hollingsworth, Johnson, Kooiman. Nay: None. Absent: Nath, Wildermuth. Motion carried.

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Motion by Kooiman, seconded by Johnson to adjourn. Yeas: Hollingsworth, Johnson, Kooiman. Nay: None. Absent: Nath, Wildermuth. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:35a.m.

Chris Hollingsworth
Pipestone County Board Vice-Chair

ATTEST:

Steven Ewing
County Administrator