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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 was also present. Chairman Dan 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 with the following additions: Renae Schuch, Veterans Service Officer at 9:45 AM and Southwest Health and Human Services 2019 Office Lease Agreement and Information Technology Services Contract. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

1. Approve Minutes of 12/26/18 Commissioner Meeting
2. Auditor Warrants 12/31/18

Motion carried unanimously.

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

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

Motion by Kooiman seconded by Nath to approve right of way payments as Auditors Warrants for projects SAP 59-613-15 to Shannon and Dustin Burmeister in the amount of \$2,330.00, Dennis and Jennifer Evans in the amount of \$6,000.00, Steven and Joann Weets in the amount of \$1,135.00, David and Shirley Weets in the amount of \$1,135.00, Fern Horton Trust in the amount of \$5,070.00, SAP 59-598-27 to Scott Haarsma in the amount of \$410.00 and Jerry Blankers Trust in the amount of \$500.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Engineer Bergman reported on maintenance activities that the Highway Department worked on last month including regular maintenance, plowing and sanding a total of six days, snow blower is in use due to snow drifts in some areas of the county, also sign repairs and tree removal was done.

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Engineer Bergman reported that 90th Avenue near CSAH 10 is closed in Fountain Prairie Township due to erosion of the ditch due to flooding this past summer. He is working with township officials to see if they can receive financial help from FEMA.

Engineer Bergman requested that the Road and Bridge Committee meet after the board meeting today to discuss future projects. Commissioners Johnson and Hollingsworth are committee members and agreed to meet today.

Engineer Bergman requested to set a date in February 2019 for the annual Road and Bridge Public Hearing. Motion by Johnson seconded by Nath to set Monday February 25, 2019 at 9:00 AM for the annual Road and Bridge Public Hearing to be held at the Highway Department. Motion carried unanimously.

Engineer Bergman briefly discussed crosswalks on CSAH 9 in the City of Edgerton. He is waiting for more information from MnDOT and the City of Edgerton. Bergman also discussed a request from an Edgerton resident to place no parking signage in the area of Mechanic Street and CSAH 9. Engineer Bergman will discuss the request with Edgerton city administration staff regarding the issue.

TYLER REISCH- COUNTY AUDITOR

County Auditor Tyler Reisch appeared to report on the results of the Tax Forfeited Land Sale that was held on December 27, 2018. A total of six parcels were sold for a total of \$43,206.00. Parcel 18-645-1180 in the City of Pipestone, known as the Quarry Twin Theater was not sold because the gas meter attached to the rear of the building had not been moved and the partial demolition on the rear of the building could not occur until said gas meter has been relocated. This parcel will be advertised for sale at a later date. Commissioners thanked Auditor Reisch for the report.

KEVIN ZYLSTRA, COUNTY RESIDENT

Mr. Kevin Zylstra, Osborne Township resident appeared before the board to voice his concern for an issue regarding livestock and horses at large at the Herman Bos residence at 1533 41st St, Edgerton, MN. Mr. Zylstra reported that on December 20, 2018 a vehicle struck a horse in the 300 block of 140th Avenue, County Road 16, Pipestone County, reportedly owned by Mr. Bos. Mr. Zylstra questioned what can be done possibly through an ordinance either at the county or township level to require that fences be erected and maintained by the landowner to keep animals off of roads and out of neighboring farmers' fields. Chief Deputy Mike Hamann came

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to the table to report on efforts through the Sheriff's Office dealing with this issue of animals being out. After discussion the board requested that County Attorney Damain Sandy come to a future meeting to discuss the issue further. Commissioners thanked Mr. Zylstra for attending the meeting and voicing his concerns. No further action was taken.

RENAE SCHUCH, VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER

Veterans Service Officer Renae Schuch appeared to request that the board authorize her to accept gift card donations to distribute to county Veterans in need of assistance. She contacted other Service Officers and obtained draft policies on how to track the amounts of the cards, where, when and how much was distributed. She presented her policy to the board for approval. Motion by Kooiman, seconded by Nath to approve the County Veterans Service Officer to accept gift card donations to provide to county veterans in need or homeless and track and document all incoming and outgoing gift cards. Motion carried unanimously.

SOUTHWEST HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES OFFICE LEASE/INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES CONTRACT 2019

Administrator Ewing presented the board with the 2019 Office Lease and Information Technology agreements with Southwest Health and Human Services for board approval. Motion by Nath, seconded by Hollingsworth to approve the Southwest Health and Human Services Office Lease in the amount \$68,379.60 and the Information Technology Services Contract in the amount of \$8,750.00 for calendar year 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Commissioners reported on the following committee meetings:

Commissioner Johnson: One Watershed Missouri River, Pipestone Forward, SWCD, PCMC Hospital Board, Highway 23 Coalition.

Commissioner Hollingsworth: AMC Conference, PCMC Executive Board, Southwest Mental Health, Friends of Casey Jones Trail, PCMC Board.

Commissioner Kooiman: PCMC Plant Operations, Truth in Taxation, Planning/Zoning Commission, Special Meeting 2019 Budget.

Commissioner Nath: PCMC Plant Operations, Southwest Mental Health, Southwest Private Industry Council, Southwest Health and Human Services, Tax Forfeited Property Auction.

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Chairman Wildermuth: AMC Conference, Friends of Casey Jones Trail, Southwest 18
Mental Health Consortium, Southwest Health and Human Services.

Motion by Kooiman, seconded by Nath to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried
unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 10:40 AM subject to call.

Dan Wildermuth
Pipestone County Board Chairman

ATTEST:

Steven Ewing
County Administrator

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