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Pipestone County Commissioner Meeting  
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The Pipestone County Commissioners met with Chairman Harold (Butch) Miller, Commissioners Luke Johnson, William (Bill) Johnson, Bruce Kooiman, and Jerry L. Remund. County Administrator Sharon Hanson and County Attorney Jim O'Neill also present. Chairman Miller called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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

**DAVE HALBERSMA – HOLLAND SHOP SALE RESOLUTIONS 59-38-13, 59-39-13**

County Engineer David Halbersma joined the meeting to present Resolution 59-38-13 and 59-39-13 that authorizes the sale of the former Holland Shop and property and sets sale procedure, date and time of sale. Motion by L. Johnson, seconded by W. Johnson to adopt Resolution 59-38-13 that authorizes the sale of two tracts of land totaling 4.9 acres, 2.5 acres located on part of the Southwest ¼ of Section 12, Township 107 North, and 2.4 acres located on part of the Northeast ¼ of the Southwest Quarter of Section Twelve, Township 107 North, Range 45 and authorize appropriate county officers to execute deed of conveyance. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by L. Johnson, seconded by W. Johnson to adopt Resolution 59-39-2013 which states that the real estate be sold by advertising for bids for the purchase of real estate in the Pipestone County Star for three consecutive weeks and these bids will be opened and considered in the Commissioners' Room of the Pipestone County Courthouse at 10:00 a.m. on November 5, 2013, and providing any sale will reserve all mineral rights. Motion carried unanimously.

**COMMISSIONER WARRANTS**

Motion by Remund, seconded by L. Johnson to approve a Commissioner Warrants and Meal Reimbursements in the amount of \$282,310.97. Motion carried unanimously.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion by Remund, seconded by W. Johnson to approve the consent agenda as follows:

1. Minutes October 1, 2013 Road and Bridge Meeting
2. Hospital Warrants in the amount of \$441,481.35
3. Treasurer's Report of September 2013

Motion carried unanimously.

**BRAD BURRIS – PURCHASE APPROVAL**

Brad Burris, Pipestone County Medical Center Administrator, appeared to request approval to purchase property located at 1002 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue SW in Pipestone for \$77,500 to be used for future expansion of the Medical Center. Motion by Remund, seconded by Kooiman to approve the purchase of property located at 1002 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue SW for \$77,500. Motion carried unanimously.

**DOUG DERAGISCH – SW/WC SERVICE COOPERATIVE RISK MANAGER**

Southwest West Central Service (SWWC) Cooperative Risk Manager Doug Deragisch presented information on the SWWC Cooperative Employee Health Insurance Pool.

**PRIMEWEST HEALTH UPDATE AND FUNDING REQUEST**

Primewest Health CEO Jim Pryzbilla presented information on both the history of and current services provided by Primewest Health. Matt Magnuson, Director of Membership and Program Development at Primewest Health presented information on a County Employee Health Coverage Development Project in which Primewest Health would explore whether or not they could provide affordable health plans to county employees. PrimeWest Health is requesting funding from the 13 member counties to research and develop a County employee health plan to offer coverage beginning January 1, 2016. Pipestone County's cost for participation in the implementation funding for the program is \$24,482, with \$2,955, \$10,243, and \$11,283 for year one, two, and three, respectively. Primewest Health would like a decision from the Pipestone County Board by November 7, 2013.

**TOWER SITE LEASE AGREEMENT TERMINATION**

Emergency Management Director Harlan Nepp and Sheriff Dan Delaney joined the meeting to discuss the termination of a lease agreement between Jason Wiese and Pipestone County for property located in the NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of the NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of Section 3, T-105N, R-45-W for operation of a radio communications tower. The current agreement will end on December 31, 2013 and the Lessor or Lessee may terminate the Agreement upon sixty (60) days written notice. Motion by Remund, seconded by Kooiman, authorizing County Administrator to send a letter of non-renewal to Mr. Jason Wiese to terminate the lease agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

**MARC HALL – TRANSIT JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT, WESTERN COMMUNITY**

**ACTION PARTNERSHIP**

Transit Director Marc Hall presented a Joint Powers Agreement for Operation of Inter-County Public Transit System between Pipestone, Murray, Rock, and Nobles County for the establishment of Buffalo Ridge Regional Transit, a public transportation program for the purpose of providing public transportation services between the counties, coordinated service delivery model and to provide a funding source for public transportation. This agreement is in effect until December 31, 2014. Motion by Kooiman, seconded by W. Johnson to approve the Joint Powers Agreement Pipestone, Murray, Rock, and Nobles County for the establishment of Buffalo Ridge Regional Transit for Operation of Inter-County Public Transit System through 2014. Motion carried unanimously.

Transit Director Hall requested the establishment of a committee to look into a partnership between Western Community Action and Pipestone County regarding the administration of the Transit program. The committee would look at possible consolidation and what that consolidation would look like for the Transit program. Motion by L. Johnson, seconded by Remund to authorize Commissioners Kooiman and W. Johnson to be a part of this committee to look into a partnership with Western Community Action. Motion carried unanimously.

**AUDITOR WARRANT**

Auditor Tyler Reisch requested approval of a VISA bill in the amount of \$530.88 as a Commissioner Warrant. Motion by W. Johnson, seconded by L. Johnson to approve payment of \$530.88 to VISA as a Commissioner Warrant. Motion carried unanimously.

**EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION RESOLUTION 59-40-13**

The Pipestone County Board held a County employee recognition ceremony recognizing employees for years of service in five year increments. The Board thanked the employees for their years of service and commended them for their dedication to Pipestone County. Motion by Remund, seconded by W. Johnson to adopt Resolution 59-40-13 recognizing the service of the following employees to Pipestone County:

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**5 Years**  
Marc Hall  
Rita Hazelton  
Darl Korthals  
Sandi Nordmeyer  
Eric Ossefoort

**10 Years**  
Michael Appel  
Brian Danks  
Larry Miller  
Joyce Schmidt  
Steve Sneller

**15 Years**  
Bob Kooiker  
Richard Muyskens  
Damain Sandy  
Derek Wellnitz  
Candy Whipple

**25 Years**  
Ed Scholten

**30 Years**  
Dan Delaney  
Carol Scotting

Motion carried unanimously.

**SUSAN HOSKINS – COUNTY MUSEUM SIGN REPLACEMENT REQUEST**

Pipestone Museum Director Susan Hoskins reported that the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MNDOT) is requiring replacement of the two “County Museum” signs at a total cost of \$902.40, or \$451.20 each. Museum Director Hoskins requested funding from Pipestone County for replacement of one of the signs. Motion by Remund, seconded by W. Johnson to authorize the payment of one sign, as required by MNDOT, for the Pipestone County Museum at the cost of \$451.20. Motion carried unanimously.

**PERSONNEL**

Human Resources Coordinator Cathy Feste presented three resignations to the Board for approval.

Motion by Remund, seconded by Kooiman to accept the resignation of Deputy Sheriff Brian Danks effective October 18, 2013. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Kooiman, seconded by W. Johnson to accept the resignation of Building Maintenance Worker Richard Muyskens effective October 31, 2013. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by L. Johnson, seconded by W. Johnson to accept the resignation of Veteran’s Service Officer/Emergency Management Director Harlan Nepp effective December 31, 2013. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Miller recessed the meeting at 11:25a.m. to reconvene at 1:00 p.m. for the Strategic Planning Session.

Chairman Miller reconvened the meeting at 1:00 p.m. Commissioners and Department Heads participated in a strategic planning session for the 2013 Strategic Plan Update.

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Motion by Remund, seconded by Kooiman to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 3:00p.m.

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Harold (Butch) Miller  
Pipestone County Board Chair

ATTEST:

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Sharon Hanson  
County Administrator