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Pipestone County R&B Meeting
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The Pipestone County Commissioners met with Chairman William (Bill) Johnson, Commissioners Luke Johnson, Bruce Kooiman, Harold (Butch) Miller and Jerry L. Remund. County Administrator Sharon Hanson, Assistant Engineer Nick Bergman, County Auditor Tyler Reisch and County Engineer David Halbersma also present. Chairman W. Johnson called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW STAFF

The following new and reclassified staff were introduced to the Board: Engineering Technician Eric Haak, Environmental/Sign Technician Trevor Erickson, Building and Grounds Maintenance Worker Candy Whipple, Deputy Emergency Management/Emergency Services Director Casey Rippentrop. The Board welcomed the staff and congratulated them on their new positions.

Motion by Miller, seconded by Remund to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

PROJECT UPDATES, UNDER CONTRACT, PROJECTS IN THE PLANNING STAGE

Engineer Halbersma provided an update on project updates, projects under contract and projects in the planning stage.

Engineer Halbersma informed the Board that because the County may have to wait on Army Corp of Engineers/US Fish and Wildlife Services Section 404 permits that would allow construction to begin for 2014 Bridge and Culverts projects (excluding County State Aid Highway (CSAH)10 Bridge and Culvert Project), he is recommending we let the projects, but stipulate that the County reserves the right to delete four of the projects from the contract if the permits are not received in time.

Engineer Halbersma informed the Board that the County is still awaiting appraisals from Jensen Land Management for CSAH 10 Bridge Culvert Project and concern was expressed that the delay could potentially affect the construction costs of the Project. Consensus of the Board to give Jensen Land Management a February 15, 2014 deadline to complete appraisals and if not completed by this date, direct Engineer Halbersma to obtain services from another appraisal firm.

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Engineer Halbersma updated the Board on a Minnesota Department of Transportation (MNDOT) Intersection Conflict Warning System installation that will occur at the intersection of CSAH 16 and State Highway 23. The System provides motorists real-time warnings about traffic conditions and is expected to reduce fatal and serious injury crashes.

RESOLUTION 59-12-14 AND RESOLUTION 59-13-14

Engineer Halbersma presented for adoption Resolution 59-12-14 that revises the agreement between MNDOT and Pipestone County for the Safe Routes to School Project Agreement No. 04026 as a result of construction engineering costs increasing from \$16,000 to \$24,012.13. Motion by Remund, seconded by Kooiman to adopt Resolution 59-12-14 that revised MNDOT Agreement No. 04026 to increase construction engineering costs from \$16,000 to \$24,012.13. Motion carried unanimously.

Engineer Halbersma informed the Board that easements are needed from the MN Department of Natural Resources (MNDNR) for CSAH 6 Bridge 59510 and that an application must be made with the MNDNR. The application for permanent easements cost \$2,000.00. Motion by L. Johnson, seconded by W. Johnson to adopt Resolution 59-13-14 authorizing the application to the MNDNR for permanent easements of acreage as specified for CSAH 6 Bridge 59510. Yeas: L. Johnson, W. Johnson, Miller, Remund. Nay: Kooiman. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Remund, seconded by L. Johnson to authorize payment as Auditor Warrant to MNDNR in the amount of \$2,000.00 for application for permanent easements. Motion carried unanimously.

Engineer Halbersma informed the Board that he communicated County sidewalk construction policy to the City of Edgerton for the potential sidewalk construction along CSAH 1 in Edgerton. Engineer Halbersma suggested to the City of Edgerton that the County would follow the city's cost participation policy/practice to support treating property owners within each city equally. Engineer Halbersma was asked by the City of Edgerton about the process of getting the sidewalk installed along CSAH 1 and suggested close communication between the County and the City as the project is developed.

MOVE MN CAMPAIGN RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT

Engineer Halbersma presented a resolution that would support the MOVE MN Campaign. The resolution states support for an effective, state-wide transportation funding package. Commissioner Miller expressed concern over the lack of information on who brought forward the resolution, the vagueness of the language contained in the resolution and the lack of specific ramifications of supporting the resolution. Engineer Halbersma stated that Association of MN Counties had asked counties to consider adopting the resolution. Motion by Miller, seconded by L. Johnson to table indefinitely the MOVE MN resolution until further information could be obtained. Motion carried unanimously.

ROAD AND BRIDGE PUBLIC HEARING

Consensus of the Board to set the Road and Bridge Public Meeting for March 3, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. at the Pipestone County Highway Shop.

SHARING ENGINEER SERVICES WITH LINCOLN COUNTY

Engineer Halbersma informed the Board that there have been initial discussions with Lincoln County to share Engineer Halbersma with Lincoln County at split time to assist Lincoln County who is still attempting to fill their vacant County Engineer position. The Personnel Committee has met with two Lincoln County commissioners and further discussion will occur on whether to proceed with an agreement to share County Engineer Halbersma.

MAINTENANCE ISSUES UPDATES

Engineer Halbersma informed the Board that the 2014 pick-up replacement has arrived.

Engineer Halbersma presented the following quotes for a motor grader:

	John Deere 772G	Cat 140M2	Cat-2012 used 140 M2-465 hrs	Cat-2012 used 140M2-800 hrs
Base price new-w/snow equipment	268,566	273,680	273,680	273,680
Less deduct for new machine	New	New	-16,150	-24,200
Less trade in (Ihlen Motor Grader)	-113,000	-136,700	-136,700	-136,700
Total	155,566	136,980	120,830	112,780
Guarantee repurchase price (7,500 hrs or 7 years)	\$153,000 Would need to purchase a new wing in 7 years (\$15,251)	\$142,500 We keep wing in 7 years	\$130,500 We keep wing in 7 years	\$129,250 We keep wing in 7 years

*Above figures include warranty coverage

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Motion by Remund, seconded by L. Johnson to approve purchase of a new Cat 140M2 in the amount of \$136,980.00 that includes a trade-in value of \$136,700 for Ihlen motor grader and a guarantee repurchase price of \$142,500 at 7,500 or 7 years. Motion carried unanimously.

Engineer Halbersma updated the Board on other maintenance issues such as removal of snow in areas where blowing snow has been an issue this winter.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Remund, seconded by Miller to approve the consent agenda as follows:

1. January 28, 2014 Minutes

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Miller, seconded by Remund to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 10:13 a.m.

William (Bill) Johnson
Pipestone County Board Chair

ATTEST:

Sharon Hanson
County Administrator