

Pipestone, Minnesota
April 20, 2026

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular meeting of the Pipestone City Council was duly held in-person and via Zoom in the Municipal Building at 6:30 p.m. on the 20th day of April 2026. Mayor Dan Delaney called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was declared. Members present: Dan Delaney via Zoom, Rodger Smidt, Scott Swanson, Verdeen Colbeck and Danielle Thompson, Absent: none. Others present: Steve Weets, Erica Volkir, Kyle Kuphal, City Attorney Jason Hill via Zoom, City Engineer Travis Winter, Cable Access Coordinator Steve Moffitt, City Administrator Stephanie LaBrune, and City Clerk Megan DeWitte.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVE AGENDA - ADDITIONS, CHANGE OR DELETIONS

Delaney added that the Human Rights Commission has a \$250 donation request from the City and would like to add that under item G on the agenda. Motion made by Thompson, seconded by Colbeck, and unanimously carried to approve the agenda with addition of item G for the Human Rights Commission request.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Delaney stated the Consent Agenda contains the April 6, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes, April 7, 2026 Local Board of Appeals and Equalization Meeting Minutes, the Pipestone Baseball Inc. 2026 3.2 Off Sale Liquor License Renewal, the March 2026 Financial Report, and the Payment of Claims-Listing of Bills. He then asked if there was any discussion needed regarding these items. No discussion was held.

Motion was made by Colbeck, seconded by Swanson, and unanimously carried to approve the Consent Agenda items which consisted of the April 6, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes, April 7, 2026 Local Board of Appeals and Equalization Meeting Minutes, the Pipestone Baseball Inc. 2026 3.2 Off Sale Liquor License Renewal, the March 2026 Financial Report and the Payment of Claims-Listing of Bills in the amount of \$300,127.85 for warrants #77254 to #77350 to be issued in payment thereof.

COMMUNITY CONCERNS

Administrator LaBrune stated that no one was signed in and no other concerns had been received.

REPORTS

Airport – Absent

EDA – Community Development Director Schroyer provided a verbal report.

Museum – Absent.

HRA – Absent.

Senior Center – Mr. Weets provided a verbal report.

Chamber of Commerce – Ms. Volkir provided verbal report.

PUBLIC HEARING

Motion was made by Smidt, seconded by Swanson, and unanimously carried to open the public hearing

Public Hearing to Consider Cable Franchise Application- Midcontinent Communications (MIDCO) submitted an application to obtain a cable franchise agreement with the city of Pipestone. MIDCO representative Andrew Curley shared a presentation about MIDCO's fiber optic system and all the cable and mobile services that MIDCO has to offer their customers now in 2026. Curley said MIDCO intends on giving back to the community and intends to join the Chamber of Commerce here in Pipestone as well.

Motion was made by Smidt, seconded by Thompson and unanimously carried to close the public hearing.

LEGAL

Ordinance No. 172, Fourth Series, An Ordinance of the City of Pipestone Repealing and Replacing Section 91.07 of the City Code Regarding the Regulation of City Rights-Of-Way. Delaney stated that this ordinance was introduced at the April 6, 2026 council meeting and is now ready for council approval. Delaney said the purpose of this ordinance is to establish reasonable regulations, requirements, and restrictions regarding the use of rights-of-ways in the City of Pipestone.

Motion made by Smidt, seconded by Swanson and unanimously carried to approve Ordinance No. 172, Fourth Series, An Ordinance of the City of Pipestone Repealing and Replacing Section 91.07 of the City Code Regarding the Regulation of City Rights-Of-Way.

A roll call vote was taken with 5 yes and 0 opposed.

ENGINEERING

Consideration of 2nd Ave S.W. Street and Utility Project Bids- City Engineer Travis Winter has reviewed the bid proposals for the 2nd Ave SW Project and presented his recommendation for the low bid belonging to Dunnick for options A&B.

Schedule A: \$1,161,568.30 Schedule B: 326,358.75 Schedule C: \$538,965

Motion made by Swanson, seconded by Smidt, and unanimously carried to accept the recommendation from Winter to contract Dunnick for the 2nd Ave S.W. Street and Utility Project.

NEW BUSINESS

Request for Council Action- Delaney stated that staff received a picnic table rental application from the Pipestone Area High School Trap Team for a fundraising event that is open to the public at the Pipestone Gun Club Range on May 16, 2026. The Trap Team is requesting council waive the rental and delivery fees for that fundraising event.

Motion was made by Smidt, seconded by Thompson and, unanimously carried to approve the request to waive the rental and delivery fees of the picnic table application for the Pipestone Area High School Trap Team Fundraising event on May 16, 2026.

Resolution 2026-20: A Resolution Approving Plans and Specifications and Ordering Advertisement Bids- Delaney shared that LHB Corp. has prepared plans and specifications for the Carnegie Library East Wall Project and to move forward with the project the council will need to approve those plans and specifications and order advertisements for bids. Delaney said the bid opening will be held electronically on May 22nd, 2026 at 2p.m. Considerations to award the bid will be June 1, 2026.

Motion was made by Thompson, seconded by Colbeck, and unanimously carried to approve the plans and specifications from LHB Corp for the Carnegie Library East Wall Project and to order advertisement for bids.

Resolution 2026-21: Resolution Accepting Donations- This Resolution accepts the following donations:

- Delores M. Runge Estate \$10,295.41 for various updates at Meinders Community Library
- CHS Brandon \$300.00 to the Fire Department for Educational Supplies

The **Ewert Rec Center** has also received donations in the amount of \$639.71 from each of the following businesses to sponsor the cost of the **2026 Twins Trip**:

- Frist State Bank Southwest
- First Farmers & Merchants
- Hord Farms West, LLP
- Pipestone Livestock Auction Market
- Pepsi Cola Bottle Co.
- First Bank and Trust

Resolution 2026-22: A Resolution Approving Plans and Specifications and Ordering Advertisement for Bids- Delaney shared that Bolton & Menk have prepared plans and specifications for the Lead Service Line Replacement Project and that council will need to approve those plans and order advertisements for bids.

Motion was made by Swanson, seconded by Thompson, and unanimously carried to approve the plans and specifications from Bolton & Menk for the Lead Service Line Replacement Project and order advertisements for bids.

Resolution 2026-23: A Resolution Authorizing a Summary of Publication for Ordinance 172, Fourth Series: An Ordinance of the City of Pipestone Repealing and Replacing Section 91.07 of the City Code Regarding the Regulation of City Rights-Of-Way- Delaney said that this

Resolution would authorize staff to publish a summarized version of the ordinance that was approved during in the meeting.

Motion made by Thompson, seconded by Colbeck, and unanimously carried to approve the summary publication for Ordinance 172, Fourth Series Repealing and Replacing section 91.07 of the City Code Regarding the Regulation of City Rights-Of-Way.

Human Rights Commission request for Council Action- Delaney shared that the Human Rights Commission has asked for \$250 to utilize for supplies and fees due to them not receiving any donations at this point.

Motion made by Colbeck, seconded by Thompson and unanimously carried to table the discussion due to needing more information about what the Human Rights Commission is wanting the funds for.

CLOSING COMMENTS

Administrator LaBrune mentioned that it is spring clean up week coming up and that public works has scheduled their garbage route pick up to start on Monday, May 4th as well so they can collect the curb clean up and garbage totes at the same time.

LaBrune also asked the public to please fill out the posted community survey to help gather insight into future planning for a new rec center or splash pad.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Colbeck, seconded by Thompson, and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 7:54 pm.