

Pipestone, Minnesota
March 2, 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 2nd day of March 2026. Mayor Dan Delaney called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was declared. Members present: Dan Delaney, Scott Swanson, Verdeen Colbeck, Danielle Thompson, and Rodger Smidt. Others present: Kyle Kuphal, City Attorney Jason Hill via Zoom, City Engineer Travis Winter, Cable Access Coordinator Steve Moffitt, City Administrator Stephanie LaBrune, City Clerk Megan DeWitte, and Community Development Director Justin Schroyer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVE AGENDA - ADDITIONS, CHANGE OR DELETIONS

Motion made by Smidt, seconded by Colbeck, and unanimously carried to approve the agenda as written.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Delaney stated the Consent Agenda contains the February 17, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes, the Payment of Claims-Listing of Bills. He then asked if there was any further discussion regarding these items. No discussion was held.

Motion was made by Swanson, seconded by Smidt, and unanimously carried to approve the Consent Agenda items which consisted of the February 17, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes, and the Payment of Claims-Listing of Bills in the amount of \$433,665.28 for warrants #076842 to #077022 to be issued in payment thereof.

COMMUNITY CONCERNS

City Administrator LaBrune stated that there were no concerns received and no community members in attendance.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

County Road 25

Mayor Delaney said he would like to discuss the 2026 County Road 25 pavement project with the council. Delaney shared a concern that was stated at the County Commission meeting about County Road 25 becoming a bypass for the city's downtown businesses. Mayor Delaney wanted to give council a chance to discuss anything they have heard or share concerns they may have. Other council members shared concerns of safety and proper signage for the road and for pedestrians due to the Casey Jones trail crossing.

A motion was made by Thompson and seconded by Smidt, and unanimously carried to make a recommendation to Pipestone County to install adequate safety signage on the newly paved County Road 25 for pedestrian safety for the Casey Jones Trail crossing.

LaBrune stated she would share the concerns with the County Engineer and Administrator.

Resolution 2026-13

Delaney stated that this resolution would approve the transfer of funds for having received Water Infrastructure Funds from the Minnesota Public Facilities Authority (PFA). Delaney stated the resolution would authorize the transfer of \$68,891.00 from the Water Fund to the Special Water Infrastructure Fund.

Motion was made by Swanson, seconded by Thompson, and unanimously carried to authorize the transfer of \$68,891.00 from the City Water Fund to the Special Water Infrastructure Fund.

Mayor Delaney asked if this was a state mandate. Administrator LaBrune explained that it is something that was agreed upon with the PFA having received grant and loan dollars through the PFA for projects. She stated that the PFA wants to see that the city has done its job to maintain adequate rates and funds to cover future projects and current PFA loan debt. LaBrune informed council that this is a transfer that happens annually.

Resolution 2026-14

Mayor Delaney stated that the following donations have been received and said this resolution accepts those donations:

- **Carnegie Corporation of New York** \$10,000 Meinders Community Library
- **Mick & LaDonna Myers** \$25.00 Lights at the Lodge

Motion was made by Thompson, seconded by Colbeck, and unanimously carried to approve Resolution 2026-14: A Resolution Accepting Donations.

Resolution 2026-15

Delaney said this is a resolution of application to apply to the Drinking Water Revolving Fund for the lead service line replacement project. If approved, the city will apply to the Minnesota Public Facilities Authority for a loan from the Drinking Revolving Fund for improvements to its municipal drink water system as described in the loan application.

Motion was made by Swanson, seconded by Thompson, and unanimously carried to approve Resolution 2026-15, allowing application to the Drinking Water Revolving Fund for the lead service line replacement project.

Resolution 2026-16

Delaney stated that this is a resolution of application to apply to the Drinking Water Revolving Fund for the 2nd St SE Distribution Project. Delaney shared that by approving this resolution, the city is applying to the Minnesota Public Facilities Authority for a loan from the Drinking Revolving Fund for improvements to its municipal drink water system as described in the loan application.

Motion was made by Swanson, seconded by Thompson, and unanimously carried to approve Resolution 2026-16, allowing application to the Drinking Water Revolving Fund for the 2nd St SE Distribution Project.

Resolution 2026-17

Delaney said this resolution approves the plans and specifications, as well as, orders advertisement for bids to the proposed 2nd Ave SW Street and Utility Improvements Project. Delaney stated the deadline for receiving bids will be 6:30p.m. on April 6, 2026. The bids received will then be reviewed and considered at the April 20, 2026 council meeting.

Motion made by Swanson, seconded by Thompson, and unanimously carried to approve the plans, specifications and advertisement for bids to the proposed 2nd Ave SW Street Utility Improvements Project.

COUNCIL LIAISON REPORTS

Council Member Smidt- Smidt shared that he attended the Fire Department Relief meeting. Smidt shared the by-law change was made for yearly benefits and there was a change to the by-law for responding time details.

Swanson- Swanson reported that the utility commission spoke about proper sewer line placement for 8th Ave NW development. Swanson said other topics discussed at that meeting were the FLAP grant for the Hiawatha Pageant Park trail, the leaking roof of City Hall building, the “cleaner building” with Bob Longstreet, right of way management and ordinance and easement for subdivision.

Delaney- Delaney reported that he could not attend the Human Rights Commission meeting this time but that commission did hold an executive meeting to discuss membership of that committee.

Colbeck- Colbeck shared that the Veteran’s Memorial group met a couple times but nothing new to report yet. Colbeck did say the stones are in Sioux Falls and are going to be etched and delivered as completed.

Thompson- Thompson stated she had nothing to report at this time.

CLOSING COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Thompson, seconded by Colbeck and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

Dan Delaney
Mayor

ATTEST:

Megan DeWitte
City Clerk