

Pipestone, Minnesota
June 22, 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 22nd day of June 2026. Mayor Dan Delaney called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was declared. Members present: Dan Delaney, Rodger Smidt, Scott Swanson, and Verdeen Colbeck, and Danielle Thompson. Absent: None. Others present: City Attorney Jason Hill via Zoom, City Engineer Travis Winter, Cable Access Coordinator Steve Moffitt, City Clerk Megan DeWitte, City Administrator Stephanie LaBrune, and community members Myron Koets, Carla Heyl, Susan Hoskins, Annette Weisbeck, Sally Smith, Gen Lustfield, Steve Weets, and Dawn Heidebrink.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVE AGENDA - ADDITIONS, CHANGE OR DELETIONS

Motion made by Swanson, seconded by Thompson, and unanimously carried to approve the agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Delaney stated the Consent Agenda contains the June 1, 2026 Special Meeting Minutes, the June 1, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes, the Payment of Claims-Listing of Bills, the May 2026 Financial Reports, and approval of Staci's Bar & Grill Annual Hiawatha Lodge Alcohol and Beverage Dispenser Agreement. Delaney then asked if there was any discussion regarding these items. No discussion was held.

Motion was made by Swanson, seconded by Thompson and unanimously carried to approve the Consent Agenda items which consisted of the June 1, 2026 Special Meeting Minutes, the June 1, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes, and the Payment of Claims-Listing of Bills in the amount of \$671,322.58 for warrants #077654 to #077779 to be issued in payment thereof.

COMMUNITY CONCERNS

Myron Koets of 103 10th Ave SW shared concerns about the community soccer field maintenance, fees and signage concerns.

LEGAL

Consideration of Ordinance 174, Fourth Series

Delaney stated that this is an Ordinance granting a franchise to Midcontinent Communications to construct, operate and maintain a cable television system in the City of Pipestone; setting forth conditions accompanying the grant of the franchise; providing regulation and use of the system; and prescribing liquidated damages for the violation of its provisions. Delaney said this Ordinance was introduced at the last council meeting and is now ready for consideration.

Motion made by Smidt, seconded by Swanson, and unanimously carried to consider Ordinance 174, Fourth Series. A roll call vote was taken Delaney- Aye, Smidt- Aye, Thompson- Aye, Swanson- Aye, and Colbeck- Aye. Motion passed 5-0.

ENGINEERING

Project Updates

Winter shared updates on the Safe Routes to School Project, the pre-construction meeting for the 2nd Ave S.E. project, and a bid contract for awarding the Lead line service replacement project.

OLD BUSINESS

Presentation from the Pipestone Area Community Foundation

Carla Heyl and Steve Weets appeared on behalf of the Pipestone Area Community Foundation and shared that the board met to discuss the physical condition of the Historic Carnegie Library building and have a proposal that may help the City rehabilitate the structure. Heyl shared that the formal motion was that the City award the East Wall Repair Project Bid that was received and tabled at the June 1, 2026 council meeting and then the Pipestone Area Community Foundation would see that there is good faith by the City, and would put their Foundation's effort into fundraising to help cover the shortfall costs for the grant and city matching funds for the wall and roof repairs.

Resolution 2026-31: A Resolution Accepting Bid for the Carnegie Library East Wall Repair Project

Delaney shared that this resolution was tabled at the last city council meeting to gather additional information on funding and budget shortfall for the east wall project and roof and that if council wishes to proceed with accepting the bid from Innovative Masonry Restoration in the amount of \$288,000 that staff would recommend utilizing funds from the liquor store fund balance which is at approximately \$1,568,000 to cover the unbudgeted costs of the project.

Motion was made by Delaney, seconded by Smidt, and unanimously carried to approve Resolution 2026-31 accepting bid for the Carnegie Library East Wall Repair Project.

Administrator LaBrune informed the Council that another motion is needed authorizing staff to approve plans and specifications and order advertisement for bids for the Carnegie Library Roof repair project.

Motion was made by Swanson, seconded by Colbeck and unanimously carried to approve plans and specifications and order advertisement for bids for the Carnegie Library Roof repair project.

NEW BUSINESS

Request for Council Action- 3rd Street SE Stop Signs

Delaney stated that neighborhood traffic concerns were shared at the previous city council meeting and a request was made for council action to consider adding two stop signs on 3rd St at the intersection of 3rd St and 10th Ave to reduce speeds, enhance safety, and prevent accidents.

Motion was made by Swanson, seconded by Delaney and unanimously carried to install two permanent stop signs on 3rd St at the intersection of 3rd St and 10th Ave.

Resolution 2026-32: A Resolution Approving the Summary Publication of a Cable Franchise Agreement with Midcontinent Communications

Delaney said due to the size of Ordinance 174, Fourth Series, which was adopted by the council earlier in the meeting, staff has requested council approval to publish a summarized version of the Ordinance, which council and staff have done with prior Ordinance publications.

Motion made by Colbeck, seconded by Thompson, and unanimously carried to approve Resolution 2026-32 for the summary publication of a cable franchise agreement with Midcontinent Communications.

Resolution 2026-33: A Resolution Accepting Donations

Delaney said this is a Resolution accepting the following donations that support the Pipestone Family Aquatic Center's Daycare Day.

- Michelle Cheeseman \$250.00
- Meagan Moeller "The Copper Penny" \$150.00

Motion made by Swanson, seconded by Thompson, and unanimously carried to approve Resolution 2026-33 accepting donations.

Recreation Director Performance Evaluation Summary-

LaBrune shared a performance summary with the Council and is recommending Council approve a Satisfactory Performance Review for Recreation Director Robert Peterson.

Motion made by Swanson, seconded by Colbeck, and unanimously carried to approve Recreation Director Robert Peterson's Satisfactory Performance Review.

Public Works Director Performance Evaluation Summary-

LaBrune shared a performance summary with the Council and is recommending Council approve a Satisfactory Performance Review for Public Works Director Michael Bloemendahl.

Motion made by Smidt, seconded by Thompson, and unanimously carried to approve Public Works Director Michael Bloemendahl's Satisfactory Performance Review.

Liquor Store Manager Performance Evaluation Summary-

LaBrune shared a performance summary with the Council and is recommending Council approve a Satisfactory Performance Review for Liquor Store Manager Michael Wilson.

Motion made by Swanson, seconded by Thompson, and unanimously carried to approve a Satisfactory Performance Review for Liquor Store Manager Michael Wilson.

** Approval of Staci's Bar & Grill Hiawatha Lodge Alcohol and Beverage Dispenser Agreement

This agreement allows licensed alcohol caterer Staci's Bar and Grill to cater and serve alcohol for events held at the Hiawatha Lodge from June 22, 2026 – June 1, 2027.

(CONSENT AGENDA ITEM)

CLOSING COMMENTS

Thompson shared a reminder of the upcoming Water Tower Festival and that volunteers are still needed for the inflatables on the courthouse lawn after the parade.

Delaney shared that he had already received a notification of a \$1,000.00 donation towards the Carnegie Library Roof Repair project.

EXECUTIVE/CLOSED SESSION

Motion was made by Delaney, seconded by Smidt, and unanimously carried to close the meeting at 7:45pm, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 13D.05, subdivision 3(c)(3) to develop or consider offers or counteroffers for the purchase or sale of real or personal property located in Section 01, Township 106 North, Range 46 West, and Section 36, Township 107 North, Range 46 West, Pipestone County, Minnesota (PID 18.101.0200 and 18.101.0100).

Motion was made by Colbeck, seconded by Thompson, and unanimously carried to reopen the meeting at 8:22pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Swanson, seconded by Thompson, and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:23pm.

Dan Delaney
Mayor

ATTEST:

Megan DeWitte
City Clerk