Chair Hallan called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present were Commissioners Josh Mohr, Steve Chaffee, John Mikrot, Jr., and Matt Ludwig; County Attorney Reese Frederickson, County Sheriff Jeff Nelson, County Administrator David Minke.

Also present were representatives from various townships and cities in Pine County.

The pledge of allegiance was said.

Chair Hallan welcomed everyone and those present introduced themselves.

County Attorney Reese Frederickson presented on the work in the county attorney’s office and discussed information on social host ordinances. If the county adopted a social host ordinance it would be effective in the townships but not the cities.

Sheriff Nelson presented on the work of the county sheriff’s office including patrol, dispatch, and the jail.

The group had an informal discussion on various topics of interest including coordination with the highway department for sand/salt and culvert purchase and the highway department steaming culverts.

The 2018-2022 Highway Improvement Plan is posted on the county website.

Dogs running at large was discussed. The county does not have a county ordinance. Enforcement is a challenge and impounding a dog is expensive and there is no local kennel. Townships can vote at their annual meeting to adopt regulations.

The group discussed recycling, household hazardous waste, and solid waste management. The county is planning to continue the transfer station in the northern part of the county and consider establishing one in the Pine City area. People can take small amounts of garbage to the transfer station in Hinckley and only need to pay the garbage fee, not the scale fee.

The recent aggregate mining workshop organized by the county was noted as a positive event.

The next meeting will be May 29, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:22 pm.

Stephen M. Hallan, Chair
Pine County Board of Commissioners

David J. Minke, County Administrator
Clerk to the Pine County Board of Commissioners