

**Yellow Medicine County Board Meeting Minutes
July 22, 2008**

Chairman Louis Sherlin called this regular meeting of the Yellow Medicine County Board to order at 12:30 p.m. with Commissioners Louis Sherlin, Gary Johnson, Jane Remiger, Dick Wambeke and Ron Antony present. Also present were County Administrator Ryan Krosch, County Attorney Keith Helgeson and Granite Falls Advocate Tribune reporter Scott Tedrick.

Approve Agenda 7-22-08-01 Motion by Commissioner Wambeke and second by Commissioner Johnson to approve the agenda with the following changes: add Oraas Park to the department updates; add June jail report to informational items. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Consent Agenda 7-22-08-02 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and second by Commissioner Remiger to approve the consent agenda items as follows: minutes of the July 8, 2008, County Board meeting; CAMA software purchase for \$1,100 from the Recorder's Unallocated Fund; transient merchant licenses for TAP Enterprises, Inc. on July 30 and 31, 2008; hiring of Kevin Day as a Sheriff's Deputy; budget amendments totaling \$294,679.55 in revenues and \$302,789.55 in expenditures; Resolution 23-2008 – Accept donations to purchase a defibrillator; reallocation request totaling \$8,553.18 in expenditures. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Commissioner Reports:

Commissioner Sherlin had no committee reports. Commissioner Johnson reported on the ATP, Highway 59, Restorative Justice, Water Plan Task Force, 6W Corrections and RDC.

Commissioner Remiger reported on the RCRCA and County Museum. Commissioner Wambeke had no committee reports. Commissioner Antony reported on the Technology Committee.

Citizen Comments:

Alan Berends was present to discuss with the Board a property line dispute he has with the County. The Board took no action on the matter.

Department/Agency Reports:

County Sheriff Bill Flaten gave a report on the Sheriff's Office and jail.

7-22-08-03 Sheriff Flaten requested additional funds for a search and rescue effort in the County. Motion by Commissioner Antony and second by Commissioner Johnson to approve a budget amendment of \$500 for search and rescue expenses. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

7-22-08-04 Sheriff Flaten presented two quotes for 911 logging equipment. Motion by Commissioner Johnson and second by Commissioner Antony to use 911 funds to purchase 911 hardware and software equipment from MacTek, Inc. at a cost of \$12,284.00 plus tax. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Regular Agenda:

Public Hearing – County 5-year Construction Plan for Roads and Bridges Chairman Sherlin opened the public hearing at 1:35 p.m. County Engineer Andy Sander, Assistant County Engineer Steve Schaub, Highway Maintenance Supervisor Larry Stoks and Dave Smiglewski were present for the hearing. Engineer Sander presented the road and bridge plan. There was discussion about putting off the Memorial Park trail project to a later year due to a lack of funding. Chairman Sherlin closed the hearing at 1:55 p.m.

7-22-08-05 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and second by Commissioner Antony to approve the 2008-2012 Road and Bridge Construction Plan. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

The Board reviewed the 2007 Highway Department Annual Report.

Lease Backhoe 7-22-08-06 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and second by Commissioner Wambeke to approve a lease of a 1999 Hyundai R290 LC-3 backhoe excavator and a lease of a 48” inch backhoe bucket, 60” demolition rake and other backhoe equipment with funds coming from the Highway Department equipment rental budget. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

The Board recessed for a break at 2:10 p.m.

The Board reconvened at 2:20 p.m.

Machinery Museum Minnesota Machinery Museum Director Mavis Gustafson and other Machinery Museum Board members presented their 2009 budget request.

Sale of Fairgrounds Property 7-22-08-07 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and second by Commissioner Antony to advertise for bids of for the sale of 5.71 acres, more or less, of County property located at the fairgrounds. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Transfer of Funds to Construction Fund 7-22-08-08 Motion by Commissioner Antony and second by Commissioner Remiger to approve a permanent operating transfer of \$100,000 from the Revenue Fund to the Construction Fund for the Attorney’s Office Addition. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Vacation of 4th Street 7-22-08-09 Motion by Commissioner Remiger and second by Commissioner Johnson to request the City of Granite Falls to vacate the portion of 4th Street that is adjacent to the Courthouse property. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Public Hearing for Capital Improvement Plan and GO Capital Improvement Bonds 7-22-08-10 Motion by Commissioner Remiger and second by Commissioner Wambeke to approve Resolution 24-2008:

RESOLUTION RELATING TO GENERAL OBLIGATION CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS, SERIES 2008; CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING THEREON

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners (the “Board”) of Yellow Medicine County, Minnesota (the “County”), as follows:

Section 1. Authorization and Findings.

1.01. Authority. In accordance with a capital improvement plan (the “Plan”), the County proposes to undertake certain capital improvements, including construction of certain improvements to the County Courthouse (the “Project”). The County proposes to finance the Project by issuing general obligation capital improvement bonds of the County under Minnesota Statutes, Section 373.40 and Chapter 475.

1.02. Cost; Issuance of Bonds. The total cost of the Project, as shown in the Plan, aggregating the costs of construction, engineering, legal and administrative fees, interest during construction, the costs incidental to the sale and issuance of the Bonds, is \$900,000. General Obligation Capital Improvement Bonds, Series 2008 (the “Bonds”) of the County are proposed to be issued in a principal amount not to exceed \$900,000.

Section 2. Public Hearing. The Board hereby schedules a public hearing on August 12, 2008, at 11:00 a.m., at the County Board Room, 415 9th Avenue, Granite Falls, Minnesota, to receive comments on the issuance of the Bonds and adoption of the Plan. The County Auditor / Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to publish notice of hearing once in the official newspaper or a newspaper of general circulation in the County not less than 14 days, nor more than 28 days, prior to the date of the hearing.

Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Amend Purchasing and Contract Policy 7-22-08-11 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and second by Commissioner Antony to amend Policy 503 – Purchasing and Contracting Protocol and Authority as presented. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Other Business: None

Approval of Disbursements/Review of Auditor’s Warrants 7-22-08-12 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and second by Commissioner Antony to approve the Commissioner’s Warrants for the following amounts: \$71,306.80 Revenue Fund, \$152,342.31 Road and Bridge Fund, \$9,620.50 Ditch Fund; approve payment of \$58,832.97 to ISC and \$274.67 to M-R Signs Co. as Auditor’s warrants; and acknowledge review of the Auditor’s warrants. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Informational The Board reviewed the June 2008 Revenue and Road and Bridge financial reports.

Review of Upcoming Meetings and Events The Board reviewed upcoming meetings and events.

Adjourn 7-22-08-13 Motion by Commissioner Antony and second by Commissioner Johnson

to adjourn at 3:08 p.m. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Witness:

Attest:

Louis Sherlin, Chair

Lois Bonde, Auditor/Treasurer