

**Yellow Medicine County Board Meeting Minutes
September 23, 2008**

Chairman Louis Sherlin called this regular meeting of the Yellow Medicine County Board to order at 12:05 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, Granite Falls Advocate Tribune reporter Scott Tedrick and Marshall Independent reporter Robert Wolfington. West Central Tribune reporter Tom Cherveney arrived during the meeting.

Approve Agenda 9-23-08-01 Motion by Commissioner Wambeke and second by Commissioner Remiger to approve the agenda with the following changes: add HRA market value credit after the consent agenda; move the Attorney's Office addition from the regular agenda to after the consent agenda; add the August 2008 investment report and financial reports to the informational items. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Consent Agenda 9-23-08-02 Motion by Commissioner Remiger and second by Commissioner Antony to approve the consent agenda items as follows: minutes of the September 9, 2008 County Board meeting; Resolution 29-2008 - County HRA 2009 Special Benefit Tax Levy; budget reallocations totaling \$1,500 in revenues and \$1,500 in expenditures; budget amendments totaling \$26,282.45 in revenues and \$129,305.45 in expenditures. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

HRA Market Value Credit Auditor/Treasurer Lois Bonde and Administrator Krosch discussed with the Board adjustments that need to be made to the RDC and County HRA market value credit payments they receive from the MN Department of Revenue. The RDC has been receiving the County HRA market value credit in error since 2002. The Board felt that the previous incorrect payments that have been made to the RDC should not be corrected and that the correction to the market value credit payments to the RDC and HRA should start with the credits paid in 2008.

Attorney's Office Addition Earl Fuechtmann with Contegrity Group, Inc. updated the Board on the bid process for the County Attorney's Addition.

Citizen Comments: None

Commissioner Reports:

Commissioner Sherlin reported on the WesMN RLF. Commissioner Johnson reported on 6W Corrections, the Township Association Annual Meeting, Prairie Lakes Youth Program, MnRAAA, RDC and LACC. Commissioner Remiger reported on the Township Association Annual Meeting, RC&D, AMC Policy Committee, MVRRA, RCRC, MN River Board and Public Health. Commissioner Wambeke reported on the County HRA, Restorative Justice Committee and the Safety Committee. Commissioner Antony reported on Pioneerland Library, Workforce Council, Rural Energy Board, Solid Waste Board, IT Committee and the SW Regional Radio Board.

Department Reports: None

Regular Agenda:

Recycling Paul Henricksen with Lyon County Environmental discussed with the Board recycling options for rural residents of the County. Henricksen will report back to the Board with cost estimates to provide roll off recycling containers in various locations in the County. Henricksen also updated the Board on recent household hazardous waste collection events.

Conditional Use Permit YM-486-08 9-23-08-03 Jolene Johnson with the County Zoning Office presented a recommendation from the Planning Commission to approve conditional use permit YM-486-08 for James Vlaminck, Minneota, to operate a gravel pit in part of the SE ¼ of Section 30 in Swede Prairie Township. The Planning Commission recommended one condition for the permit. Motion by Commissioner Johnson and second by Commissioner Antony to approve conditional use permit YM-486-08 for James Vlaminck as recommended by the Planning Commission with the following condition:

1. When the gravel pit is closed, it must be reclaimed in accordance with the provisions set forth in the Yellow Medicine County Mining Regulations Document. Motion carried with Antony, Remiger and Johnson voting in favor. Commissioner Wambeke abstained from the vote.

Public Health 2009 Budget Countryside Public Health Director Liz Auch reviewed the 2009 public health budget.

The Board recessed for a break at 1:28 p.m.

The Board reconvened at 1:40 p.m.

Veterans Memorial 9-23-08-04 VSO Michelle Gatz and Wendal Ryer with the VFW requested that a sound system be installed in the Veterans Memorial with the VFW paying for the system. Motion by Commissioner Johnson and second by Commissioner Antony to approve having a sound system installed in the Veterans Memorial. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Tax Forfeited Land Auction Resolution 9-23-08-05 Auditor/Treasurer Lois Bond presented a resolution to certify that certain tax forfeited parcels offered for sale by auction do not need to be withheld from sale. Motion by Commissioner Remiger and second by Commissioner Wambeke to approve Resolution 30-2008 as presented which certifies that all parcels of land listed therein have been viewed and comply with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 85.012; 92.461; 282.01, Subd. 8; and 282.018; and statutes that require the withholding of tax-forfeited lands from sale and that the Yellow Medicine County Board of Commissioners hereby requests approval from the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources for the sale of said lands. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

County Road 44 Realignment 9-23-08-06 Travis Leenerts and Scott Larsen with the Upper Sioux Community Board of Trustees, Duane Hansel with Bolten & Menk, Tom Behm – MnDOT, Jarrett Hubbard – MnDOT, David Trooien – MnDOT and County Engineer Andy Sander discussed with the Board realignment options for County Road 44, Prairie's Edge Lane, MN Highway 274 and MN Highway 23. Mr. Behm stated that a county would normally have to repay a portion of the construction costs to abandon a state aid highway but in this case since another public entity was requesting the realignment/abandonment, Yellow Medicine County

would not be responsible for repaying any of the construction costs. The section of County Road 44 being discussed for realignment/abandonment was constructed in 2002 and 2003 at a cost of \$417,586. Motion by Commissioner Remiger and second by Commissioner Antony to approve moving ahead with Alignment Option #1 as presented where County Road 44 between MN Highway 274 and Prairie's Edge Lane would be abandoned. Motion carried with Commissioner Antony, Wambeke and Remiger voting in favor and Commissioner Johnson voting against.

Canby Bridge 9-23-08-07 County Engineer Andy Sander presented a resolution for a grant received for the Canby Bridge Project S.A.P. 87-597-02. Motion by Commissioner Antony and second by Commissioner Remiger to approve Resolution 31-2008 as presented where the County agrees to the terms and conditions of a \$166,077.50 grant consistent with MN Statute 174.50, subd.5, clause 3, and will pay any additional amount by which the cost exceeds the project estimate and will return to the State any amount appropriated for the bridge but not required. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

County Museum 9-23-08-08 The Board discussed options for relocating the County Museum. Motion by Commissioner Johnson and second by Commissioner Antony to leave the museum at its current location. The motion failed with Commissioners Johnson and Sherlin voting in favor and Commissioners Antony, Wambeke and Remiger voting against.

9-23-08-09 Motion by Commissioner Antony and second by Commissioner Wambeke to no longer consider the museum relocation site located on MN Highway 23 referred to as the Velde Site and that all future site options for the museum be limited to locations within a municipality of Yellow Medicine County. Motion carried with Commissioners Antony, Wambeke and Johnson voting in favor and Commissioner Remiger voting against.

Other Business: None

Approval of Disbursements/Review of Auditor's Warrants 9-23-08-10 Motion by Commissioner Wambeke and second by Commissioner Remiger to approve the Commissioner's Warrants for the following amounts: \$50,977.71 Revenue Fund, \$23,662.93 Road and Bridge Fund; and acknowledge review of the Auditor's warrants. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Informational The Board reviewed the August 2008 jail report, investment report and financial reports.

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

The Board rescheduled the regular County Board meeting scheduled for November 11, 2008, to Thursday, November 13, 2008, at 9 a.m. due to the Veterans Day Holiday being on the 11th.

Adjourn 9-23-08-11 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and second by Commissioner Antony to adjourn at 3:36 p.m. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Witness:

Attest:

Louis Sherlin, Chair

Lois Bonde, Auditor/Treasurer