

## Yellow Medicine County Board Minutes

December 2, 2004

Chair Jane Remiger called this special meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with Commissioners Louis Sherlin, Lynn Anderson, and Gary Johnson present. Administrator John Chattin, Auditor Carolyn Sherlin, Assessor Connie Erickson, and four citizens were also present. Commissioner Ron Antony arrived at 6:35 p.m.

This was a truth-in-taxation public hearing called to consider the County's 2005 budget and the amount of property taxes it is proposing to collect.

Bruce Tanhoff questioned his property changing from residential to commercial. Ms. Erickson noted that the property is now being advertised as a hunting lodge.

Charles Anderson had several properties with varying increases in taxes; from 5% to 36%. Ms. Erickson explained how the rates went up after the first \$600,000 in valuation. This change is affecting many agricultural properties and it was suggested that the legislature be lobbied to have this limit increased.

Two other residents did not wish to address the Board and there were no others present to be heard.

**12-02-04-01** Motion by Mr. Johnson and second by Mr. Sherlin to adjourn the meeting at 7:13 p.m. Carried.

Witness:

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Jane Remiger, Chair

Attest:

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Carolyn Sherlin, Auditor/Treasurer

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Chair Jane Remiger called this special meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. with Commissioners Louis Sherlin, Lynn Anderson, Ron Antony, and Gary Johnson present. Administrator John Chattin was also present.

This special meeting was a visioning session for the Board to consider a future vision for Yellow Medicine County.

Mr. Chattin mediated; with the Board looking at what County government may look like in 20 years and how they should be preparing for those changes. Many probable changes were discussed. There was consensus reached on three priorities for the County: tourism; technology; and renewable energies.

Chair Remiger adjourned the meeting shortly after 9:00 p.m.

Witness:

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Jane Remiger, Chair

Attest:

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Carolyn Sherlin, Auditor/Treasurer