

**Yellow Medicine County Board Meeting Minutes
March 22, 2016**

Chairman John Berends called this regular meeting of the Yellow Medicine County Board to order at 9:00 a.m. with Commissioners Ron Antony, Greg Renneke, Gary Johnson, Louis Sherlin and John Berends present. Also present were County Administrator Peg Heglund, County Attorney Keith Helgeson, Finance and Administration Deputy Ashley Soine and Granite Falls Advocate Tribune reporter Scott Tedrick.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approve Agenda 03-22-16-01 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve the agenda with the following addition: add Annual Feedlot Report to the Consent Agenda. Motion carried with Commissioner Antony, Johnson, Sherlin and Berends voting in favor and Commissioner Renneke voting against.

Consent Agenda 03-22-16-02 Motion by Commissioner Sherlin and seconded by Commissioner Renneke to approve the consent agenda items as follows: March 8, 2016 County Board meeting minutes; hiring of Carla Hernandez as a part-time, non-scheduled Corrections Officer/Dispatcher, her salary will be grade 12, step 1, her start date is March 23, 2016; consideration of permanent status for employees; consideration of probation of employee; Annual Feedlot Report. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

March 17, 2016 Special Board meeting minutes was pulled from the agenda.

Citizen Comments None

Commissioners' Report Commissioner Sherlin reported on Countryside Public Health and Revolving Loan Fund. Commissioner Johnson reported on AMC Legislative Conference, Stony Run annual meeting, Revolving Loan Fund, Restorative Justice Advisory Council, U of M Extension, Prairie Lakes, Courthouse tour, Human Services meeting with Swift County and Big Stone County, Administrator evaluation meeting, Ditch Committee meeting and Furniture Committee meeting. Commissioner Antony reported on Ditch Committee meeting, Human Services meeting with Swift County and Big Stone County and Workforce Council. Commissioner Renneke reported on Courthouse tour. Commissioner Berends reported on AMC Legislative Conference, Law Library, Building committee, Historical Society and Administrator evaluation meeting.

Administrator Heglund's report is included in the Board packet.

Coyote Bounty 03-22-16-03 Motion by Commissioner Sherlin and seconded by Commissioner Antony to increase the coyote bounty from \$2,500 to \$3,000 for 2016. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

The Board tabled the discussion to include County phone numbers in area phone books to a future board meeting.

Regular Agenda

Sale of County Property 03-22-16-04 One bid was received in response to the advertisement to sell county property located in the Canby area. Chairman Berends opened the bid, noted it was from the Canby Sportsman's Club and that they were offering \$10 to purchase the land as well as pay for all expenses incurred with the sale. Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Sherlin to accept the bid from Canby Sportsman Club in the amount of \$10. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Resolution #09-2016 for Area II JPA Changes 03-22-16-05 Motion by Commissioner Sherlin and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve Area II JPA changes and resolution #09-2016. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Conditional Use Permit Request YM-563-16, Pioneer Public Television/Fagen Inc./Ron and Diane Fagen 03-22-16-06

Jolene Johnson, Planning & Zoning Coordinator, presented a recommendation from the Planning Commission to approve conditional use permit request YM-563-16 for Pioneer Public Television/Fagen Inc./Ron and Diane Fagen, Granite Falls, MN to construct a 17,500 square foot office building/broadcast station, a business use, on a five acre parcel of land located in part of the northeast one-quarter (NE¼) of Section 4 in Minnesota Falls Township T-115-N R-39-W in the Urban Expansion Management District. The Yellow Medicine County Land Use and Related Resource Management Ordinance Section V, Subdivision 3.0 requires a conditional use permit for business uses located in the Urban Expansion Management District.

Motion by Commissioner Sherlin and seconded by Commissioner Antony to approve Conditional Use Permit YM-563-16 for Pioneer Public Television/Fagen Inc./Ron and Diane Fagen with the following conditions:

1. A septic system which meets the requirements of MN Rules Chapter 7080 shall be installed on the site.
2. Applicant must obtain a Stormwater Construction Permit from the MPCA.

Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Agreement with UBS 03-22-16-07 Motion by Commissioner Sherlin and seconded by Commissioner Antony to approve the agreement with UBS regarding investment accounts. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

S.A.P. 087-602-025 03-22-16-08 Motion by Commissioner Sherlin and seconded by Commissioner Antony to approve the bid from Duininck, Inc. in the amount of \$1,059,425.20 for S.A.P. 087-602-025. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

The Board recessed for break at 10:30 a.m.

The Board reconvened at 10:42 a.m.

Courtroom Technology in the Justice Center 03-22-16-09 Dennis Pederson, Yellow Medicine County IT Coordinator, Cheryl Eckhardt, Court Administrator, Tim Ostby, Administrator for the Eighth Judicial District and Judge Dwayne Knutsen presented and discussed bids for technology in the court rooms in the Justice Center. Motion by Commissioner Renneke and seconded by Commissioner Antony to approve the unbudgeted amount of \$78,332.49 for technology in the court room in the Justice Center. The bids received from New Life Communications and Marco were approved as presented for a total cost of \$156,636.92 with the total amount to be paid through a combination of budget construction funds, Court funding and County funding (for a total of \$105,332.49 from the County and \$51,304.43 from the Courts). Motion carried with Commissioner Renneke, Antony, Johnson and Berends voting in favor and Commissioner Sherlin voting against.

AFSCME Step III Grievance 03-22-16-10 AFSCME Staff Representative Paul Schwartz was present to discuss a Step III Grievance for the Highway Union. The grievance requests that the County restore the 2.8 hours of vacation to the employee and in the future, at years end, wait until the appropriate pay period to deduct any hours over 240 hours per the collective bargaining agreement. Administrator Heglund presented information on why the grievance should be denied. After both sides provided their responses, Administrator Heglund recommend that the Board deny the grievance on the basis set forth in the Step I and Step II responses, on the information presented today and that the employee actually was over the 240 hours vacation maximum at

calendar year end so the 2.8 hours are lost and will not be compensated. Motion by Commissioner Sherlin and seconded by Commissioner Renneke to have Administrator Heglund prepare a Step III response on behalf of the Board denying the grievance. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Earl Fuechtmann and Mitch Paulsen, Contegrity Group Inc., gave an update on the Justice Center.

Commissioner Sherlin was not in attendance for the remaining portion of the meeting.

Department/Program Updates

Rae Ann Keeler-Aus, Family Service Center Director, gave an update.

Child Abuse Awareness Month Proclamation 03-22-16-11 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Renneke to designate April as Child Abuse Awareness Month in Yellow Medicine County. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Other Business None

Informational February Investment Report

Approval of Disbursements/Review Auditor's Warrants 03-22-16-12 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Antony to approve the commissioner warrants for the following amounts: \$35,478.18 Ditch Fund, \$375,609.50 Revenue Fund, \$39,152.28 Road & Bridge Fund, \$52,688.99 Human Services Fund; and acknowledged review of the Auditor's warrants. An itemized listing of all warrants over \$2,000 and an aggregate total for warrants under \$2,000 are published on the County website under the Finance & Administration Department Motion carried with all voting in favor.

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

The Board continued with lunch and a joint training with Department Heads. Those in attendance were: Chris Balfany, Janel Timm, Michelle Gatz, Andy Sander, Bill Flaten, Dennis Pederson, Gary Johnson, Rick Wandersee, John Berends, Ron Antony, Rae Ann Keeler-Aus, Keith Helgeson, Peg Heglund and the presenter, Susan Herreid from the Sandcreek Group.

Chairman Berends adjourned the meeting at 2:20 p.m.

Witness:

Attest:



John Berends, Chair



Peggy Heglund, County Administrator