

**Yellow Medicine County Board Meeting Minutes
May 10, 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 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. Commissioner Sherlin was not in attendance.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approve Agenda 05-10-16-01 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Antony to approve the agenda with the following additions: add resignation of Leroy Sik, Assistant Maintenance Engineer to the Consent Agenda, add replacement of Assistant Maintenance Engineer to the Consent Agenda, add Resolution #13-2016 to modify the JPA for the SW MN Emergency Communications Board to the Consent Agenda, add 4-H request to the Regular Agenda and add discussion of letter regarding possible uses of the existing Courthouse to Regular Agenda. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Consent Agenda 05-10-16-02 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve the consent agenda items as follows: hiring of Denny Bakkelund as Seasonal Parks Maintenance, his salary will be grade 8, step 1, his start date is May 11, 2016; Resolution #12-2016 to approve lawful gambling premises permit to Canby Fire Relief at Canby Golf Course; resignation of Leroy Sik, Assistant Maintenance Engineer; replacement of Assistant Maintenance Engineer; Resolution #13-2016 to approve modifications to the JPA with SW MN Emergency Communications Board. The approval of the April 26, 2016 Board meeting minutes were pulled from the Consent Agenda. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

April 26, 2016 Minutes 05-10-16-03 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Antony to table the approval of the April 26, 2016 Board meeting minutes until May 24, 2016. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Citizen Comments None

Commissioners' Report Commissioner Renneke reported on Planning Commission and phone call from citizen. Commissioner Antony reported on phone call from citizen, Chemical Health Coalition, 6W Community Corrections and One Watershed One Plan. Commissioner Johnson reported on 6W Community Corrections, UMVRDC, Governor's Transportation meeting, Prairie Five, U of M Extension, transportation meeting, bid opening meeting and LEAN training. Commissioner Berends reported on Governor's Transportation meeting, Prairie Waters and Nurse Family Partnership.

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

Regular Agenda

Bond Sale for LPRW and Resolution #14-2016 05-10-16-04 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Antony to approve resolution #14-2016 and award the bid for the \$4,260,000 General Obligation Water Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2016A to FTN Financial Capital Markets on behalf of Lincoln Pipestone Rural Water. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Escrow Agreement 05-10-16-05 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Renneke to approve the Escrow Agreement between Yellow Medicine County, Lincoln Pipestone Rural Water and US Bank NA for escrow agent services to be provided by US Bank for the redemption and prepayment of the GO Water

Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2008. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

The Board recessed for break at 10:23 a.m.

The Board reconvened at 10:35 a.m.

The Board acknowledged a letter from Scott Tedrick in regards to the Courthouse and possible uses of the building. No action was taken.

Building Demolition Bids 05-10-16-06 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Renneke to approve the bid from Veit & Company, Inc. in the amount of \$109,523 for building demolition. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Bituminous Paving Bids 05-10-16-07 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Renneke to approve the bid from Duininck, Inc. in the amount of \$58,278 for bituminous paving. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Landscaping Bids 05-10-16-08 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Antony to table the landscaping bids to a future meeting. Earl Fuechtmann, Contegrity Group, Inc. will request a breakdown of the landscaping bid. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Site Concrete Bids 05-10-16-09 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Renneke to reject the only quote received, which was from Sussner Construction, Inc. and to have Earl Fuechtmann, Contegrity Group, Inc. get additional quotes. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

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

Conditional Use Permit Request YM 564-16, Novel Energy Solutions 05-10-16-10

Jolene Johnson, Planning & Zoning Coordinator, presented a recommendation from the Planning Commission to deny conditional use permit request YM 564-16 for Novel Energy Solutions, Rochester, MN to construct a 5 megawatt Community Solar Garden on approximately 30 acres located in part of the northwest one-quarter (NW¼) of Section 33 in Stony Run North Township T-117-N R-40-W. The site is located in the Rural Preservation Management District. The Yellow Medicine County Land Use and Related Resource Management Ordinance, Section VI, Subdivision 2.0, requires a Conditional Use permit for Solar Energy Farms.

Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Renneke to deny Conditional Use Permit YM-564-16 for Novel Energy Solutions based on the findings of the Planning Commission. Commissioner Johnson abstained from voting due to a conflict of interest. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Victim Witness Grant 05-10-16-11 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Antony to allow the County Attorney's Office to apply for a Victim Witness Grant. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Petition for CD 1B 05-10-16-12 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve the petition for improvements on CD 1B. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Appoint Engineer 05-10-16-13 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Renneke to appoint Bolton & Menk, Inc. as the engineer for improvements on CD 1B. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

The Board discussed a special meeting to be held on May 17, 2016 at 8:00 a.m. to discuss the roles and responsibilities of the Commissioners and the Administrator.

Approval of Disbursements/Review Auditor's Warrants 05-10-16-14 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Renneke to approve the commissioner warrants for the following amounts: \$63,564.64 Ditch Fund, \$144,323.78 Revenue Fund, \$290,420.54 Road & Bridge Fund, \$91,597.89 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.

The Board recessed for lunch at 12:27 p.m.

The Board reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

Department/Program Updates

Laurie Johnson and Tom Oftedahl, Minnesota Machinery Museum, gave an update.

Connie Erickson, Assessor's Department, gave an update.

Tax Abatement 05-10-16-15 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Renneke to approve a tax abatement for Perry and Catherine Fink in the amount of \$618 due to an overvaluation of new construction associated with a TIF project. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Board of Equalization Member 05-10-16-16 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Renneke to appoint Lana Edman, Property and Public Services Deputy, to the County Board of Equalization. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Regular Agenda (continued)

Extension Committee 05-10-16-17 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Antony to appoint Mariah Schuler for the youth board position on the County Extension Committee. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Request from Yellow Medicine County 4-H 05-10-16-18 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Antony to approve the \$500 request from the Yellow Medicine County 4-H Exchange Program. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Ashley Soine, Human Resources Coordinator, gave an update on a RFP for life insurance.

Quote to Move Existing Furniture 05-10-16-19 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Renneke to approve the quote from Northern Business Products in the amount of \$2,890 to move existing furniture. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Other Business None

Informational April Vendor Payments

Review of Upcoming Meetings and Events The Board reviewed upcoming meetings and events. The June 14th Board meeting was discussed. The regular Board Meeting will begin at 3:00 p.m. with the Board of Equalization meeting to follow at 7:00 p.m.

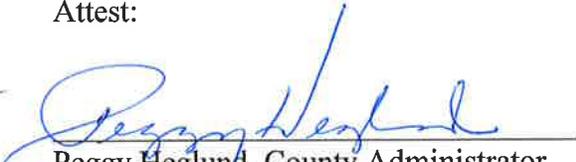
Adjourn 05-10-16-20 Motion by Commissioner Renneke and seconded by Commissioner Antony to adjourn at 2:47 p.m. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Witness:

Attest:



John Berends, Chair



Peggy Heglund, County Administrator