

Yellow Medicine County Board Meeting Minutes

September 27, 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, Gary Johnson, Louis Sherlin, Greg Renneke and John Berends present. Also present were County Administrator Peg Heglund, County Attorney Keith Helgeson, Finance Manager Michelle May, Marshall Independent reporter Jody Isaackson.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approve Agenda 09-27-16-01 Motion by Commissioner Sherlin and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve the agenda with the addition of a rental agreement for election equipment to the Consent Agenda and the acceptance of bids for cleaning ditches to the Regular Agenda. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Approval of Consent Agenda 09-27-16-02 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Antony to approve the Consent Agenda items as follows: September 13, 2016 County Board Minutes; Reappointment of Connie Erickson as County Assessor; Cooperative Agreement with the Department of Public Safety's Office of Justice Program; Extension of the Lease Agreement for the Farm Service Agency office space; final payment to Duininck Brothers, Inc., in the amount of \$55,266.26 for work on CSAH-2; Hiring of Brad Timm as Custodian, his salary will be Grade 6, his start date is October 3, 2016; approve the rental of election equipment at a cost of \$1,150. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Citizen Comments None

Commissioners' Report Commissioner Johnson reported on the Association of MN Counties Policy Conference, Prairie Five, a citizen complaint, Prairie Lakes Youth Programs, and Clarkfield EDA meeting. Commissioner Sherlin reported on the Canby DAC and Countryside Public Health. Commissioner Berends reported on the Association of MN Counties Policy Conference, Labor/Management Committee, Yellow Medicine County Historical Society, Wellness Presentation, Safety Committee, Secretary of State's visit to Granite Falls, and Southern Prairie Community Care. Commissioner Renneke had no committee reports. Commissioner Antony reported on the Canby DAC, Lyon County Landfill and MN Valley Regional Railroad Authority.

Administrator Heglund's report included meetings attended, update on the Justice Center, Clarkfield school, Cyber Security, the Housing Survey, and Broadband. Administrator Heglund's report is included in the Board packet.

Regular Agenda

Health Insurance 09-27-16-03 Motion by Commissioner Antony to join the National Joint Powers Association cooperative for the purpose of purchasing health insurance for employees starting in January 2017. Having no second, Chairperson Berends passed the gavel to Vice Chair Johnson and made the second. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Commissioner Johnson passed the gavel back to Commissioner Berends.

Alicia Webb and Trisha Sheehan from the U of M Extension program gave a presentation regarding a request for a Summer Intern for 2017.

Extension Intern 09-27-16-04 Motion by Commissioner Sherlin and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve the request for funding of a summer Intern for the 4-H program at a cost of \$4,000. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

The Board recessed for break at 10:40a.m.

The Board reconvened at 10:55 a.m.

PACE program 09-27-16-05 Motion by Commissioner Sherlin and seconded by Commissioner Antony to approve the Joint Powers Agreement with the St. Paul Port Authority for the purpose of implementing the Property Assessed Clean Energy program. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

2017 County Budget 09-27-16-06 Motion by Commissioner Antony to set the Gross Levy for the 2017 Budget at 1.57% increase. Motion failed for lack of a second.

2017 County Budget 09-27-16-07 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Sherlin to set the Gross Levy for the 2017 Budget at 2.57%. Motion carried with Commissioners Sherlin, Johnson, Renneke and Berends voting in favor. Commissioner Antony voting against.

Truth in Taxation 09-27-16-08 Motion by Commissioner Sherlin and seconded by Commissioner Renneke to set the Truth in Taxation meeting for December 13, 2016 at 6:00p.m. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Department/Program Updates

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

Michelle Gatz, Veteran's Services Officer provided an update.

Approval of Disbursements/Review Auditor's Warrants 09-13-16-09 Motion by Commissioner Sherlin and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve the commissioner warrants for the following amounts: \$16,875.89 Ditch Fund, \$168,077.90 Revenue Fund, \$84,149.73 Road & Bridge Fund, \$105,715.31 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.

Ditch Cleaning 09-27-16-10 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Sherlin to accept the low bid for cleaning ditches from K&K Tiling. Cost for CD48 is \$36,501.85 and JD10 \$89,948.85. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Other Business None

Informational August Investment Report and August Budget Report

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

Adjourn 09-27-16-11 Motion by Commissioner Sherlin and seconded by Commissioner Renneke to adjourn at 12:43 p.m. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Witness:

Attest:



John Berends, Chair



Peggy Heglund, County Administrator