

**Yellow Medicine County Board Meeting Minutes
July 8, 2008**

Chairman Louis Sherlin called this regular meeting of the Yellow Medicine County Board to order at 9:00 a.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 West Central Tribune reporter Tom Cherveney.

Approve Agenda 7-8-08-01 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and second by Commissioner Remiger to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Consent Agenda 7-8-08-02 Motion by Commissioner Antony and second by Commissioner Remiger to approve the consent agenda items as follows: minutes of the June 24, 2008, County Board meeting; 2009 County Feedlot Delegation Agreement and Work Plan (July 1, 2008 – December 31, 2009). Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Citizen Comments: None

Commissioner Reports:

New County IT Coordinator Dennis Pederson Jr. was introduced to the Board.

Commissioner Sherlin reported on the Canby Depot and Area II. Commissioner Johnson reported on Restorative Justice, Prairie Waters, MnRAAA and 6W Corrections. Commissioner Remiger reported on the County Museum Committee. Commissioner Wambeke reported on the SWCD. Commissioner Antony reported on the County Museum Committee, CD Coalition, Hanley Falls Museum Board, Technology Committee and 6W Corrections.

Department/Agency Reports:

County Auditor/Treasurer Lois Bonde reviewed the county investments and the 2008 election process.

The County Attorney report was given.

Regular Agenda:

Public Defenders Office Budget Cuts Judge Bruce Christopherson and County Attorney Keith Helgeson discussed with the Board budget cuts to the Public Defenders Office and the impact that will have on representation in CHIPS (children in need of protective services) and TPR (termination of parental rights) cases. Counties will now have to pay the public defender costs in CHIPS and TPR cases due to the state funding cuts made by the Legislature.

Canby Sportsman Club The Board discussed selling the land where the Canby Sportsman Club shooting range is located. The county must advertise the sale of the land for three weeks. Motion by Commissioner Remiger to advertise the sale of the land where the Canby Sportsman Club shooting range is located and to have a certified legal description prepared for the land. The motion failed for a lack of a second. The item was tabled until Attorney Helgeson and Administrator Krosch could research what the requirements are for developing a proper legal description when selling land.

Department Reports Continued:

Administrator Krosch gave his report and discussed with the Board levy limits, the maintenance of effort law and a letter from AMC requesting input on how to respond to the State Legislature and Governor’s Office about legislation that is having a negative impact on county budgets. The Board asked that the county’s three legislators be invited to attend a meeting to discuss some of the decisions that were made during the last legislative session.

Other Business: None

Approval of Disbursements/Review of Auditor’s Warrants 7-8-08-03 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and second by Commissioner Antony to approve the Commissioner’s Warrants for the following amounts: \$74,447.20 Revenue Fund, \$45,370.71 Road and Bridge Fund, \$1,587.50 Attorney’s Office Addition Construction Fund; and acknowledge review of the Auditor’s warrants. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Informational The Board reviewed the 2009 strategic plan report.

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

Adjourn 7-8-08-04 Motion by Commissioner Antony and second by Commissioner Remiger to adjourn at 11:32 a.m. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Witness:

Attest:

Louis Sherlin, Chair

Lois Bonde, Auditor/Treasurer