

Yellow Medicine County Board Meeting Minutes
April 11, 2023

Chairman Glen Kack called this regular meeting of the Yellow Medicine County Board to order at 9:00 a.m. with Commissioners Ron Antony, Mitch Kling and John Berends also present. Also present were County Administrator Angie Steinbach and HR Manager Ashley Soine. Commissioner Greg Renneke was absent.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approve Agenda 04-11-23-01 Motion by Commissioner Kling and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve the agenda with the following changes: add recording of board meetings to Regular Agenda and remove hiring of Highway Supervisor from Consent Agenda. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Consent Agenda 04-11-23-02 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve the consent agenda items as follows: March 28, 2023 County Board meeting minutes; County Fairgrounds Property Management quarterly update and payment request in the amount of \$1,312.50; hiring of Halie Jensvold as the part-time Transition Circle Facilitator (RJ), her salary will be grade 13, step 1, her start date is April 12, 2023. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Commissioner Renneke joined the meeting.

Citizen Comments Wes Erickson was in attendance to discuss concerns.

Approval of Disbursements/Review Auditor's Warrants 04-11-23-03 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Kling to approve the commissioner warrants for the following amounts: \$17,530.38 Ditch Fund, \$62,559.59 Revenue Fund, \$0 Road & Bridge Fund, \$74,302.90 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.

Commissioners' Report Commissioner Berends reported on Upper Minnesota Valley Regional Development Commission, Area Transportation Partnership meetings, Upper Sioux State Park Town Hall meeting, Primewest and Union Negotiating meeting. Commissioner Kack reported on LQP/Yellow Bank meeting and Highway Supervisor interviews. Commissioner Kling reported on Township weed meeting, 6W Community Corrections and Upper Sioux State Park Town Hall meeting. Commissioner Antony reported on Township weed meeting, Upper Sioux State Park Town Hall meeting, Primewest, Emergency Communication Board, One Watershed One Plan, Highway building project meeting and 6W Community Corrections. Commissioner Renneke reported on Highway Supervisor interviews, Highway building project meeting and Upper Sioux State Park Town Hall meeting.

Administrator Steinbach's report included meetings attended, current projects being worked on and future meetings to attend. Administrator Steinbach's report is included in the Board packet.

Regular Agenda

Marti Paulson, Project Turnabout, gave a presentation.

The board recessed for break at 10:32 a.m.

The board reconvened at 10:48 a.m.

The board discussed a Well Replacement Revolving Loan Fund. More information will be brought to the board at a future board meeting.

Sharon Hendrichs, Restorative Justice, gave an update.

The board discussed opioid dollars. The consensus was to support having Countryside Public Health as the fiscal host and to set up collaboration with the other four counties.

Dan Moravetz and Tony Sather, Highway Department, gave an update.

Tax Abatement 04-11-23-04 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Renneke to approve a tax abatement for Eugene and Connie Barry in the amount of \$1,360 due to a house fire. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Tax Abatement 04-11-23-05 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kling to approve a tax abatement for Jerry and Patricia Nikolaisen in the amount of \$218 due to a house fire. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Tax Abatement 04-11-23-06 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by commissioner Kling to approve a tax abatement for GPS Trust in the amount of \$6,024 due to an error in the removal of an ag homestead. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Temporary Permit 04-11-23-07 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve the Temporary Permit to Construct for Governmental Entities. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Close Meeting 04-11-23-08 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Renneke to close the meeting at 11:59 a.m. The meeting was closed under Minnesota Statute 13D.05 to discuss labor negotiations. Those present were the County Board members, County Administrator Angie Steinbach and Human Resources Manager Ashley Soine. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Open Meeting 04-11-23-09 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Kling to open the meeting at 12:11 p.m. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

The board discussed recording at board meetings. No action was taken.

Other Business None

Informational None

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

Adjourn 04-11-23-10 Motion by Commissioner Kling and seconded by Commissioner Berends to adjourn at 12:32 p.m. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Witness:


Glen Kack, Chair

Attest:


Angie Steinbach, County Administrator