

Yellow Medicine County Board Meeting Minutes
August 25, 2020

Chairman John Berends called this regular meeting of the Yellow Medicine County Board to order at 9:00 a.m. with Commissioners Greg Renneke, Glen Kack, Ron Antony and Gary Johnson also present (via teleconference). Also present were County Administrator Angie Steinbach, County Attorney Keith Helgeson (via teleconference), Finance and Administration Deputy Ashley Soine (via teleconference) and Advocate Tribune reporter Jess Gorman (via teleconference). Due to the current federal and state emergency declarations and guidance about limiting person-to-person contact due to the COVID-19 (coronavirus) pandemic, the August 25, 2020 meeting of the Yellow Medicine County Commissioners was conducted in accordance with Minnesota Statutes 13D.021 – Meetings by Telephone or Other Electronic Means.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approve Agenda 08-25-20-01 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Antony to approve the agenda. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Consent Agenda 08-25-20-02 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Antony to approve the consent agenda items as follows: August 11, 2020 County Board meeting minutes; August 11, 2020 CD 1B Final Hearing minutes; August 20, 2020 Special Board meeting minutes; approval of CARES funds for: cameras for recycling containers at Canby Highway shop, copier for the Justice Center main floor meeting rooms, fob door access for all highway Department shops, drone purchase, portable radio purchase, touchless bathroom fixtures for County buildings, additional vehicle for Parks, Government Center permanent fixture for barrier for front desk staff, County Attorney's Office equipment, Highway Dept. front desk upgrade and County expenses from March to August 14th to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic; resignation of Bruce Hoepner, Sign Technician; replacement of Sign Technician; resignation of Trisha Riley, part-time Assistant Custodian; replacement of part-time Assistant Custodian; resignation of Lacey Rigge, Finance Manager; replacement of Finance Manager; consideration of probationary period of employee. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Citizen Comments None

Approval of Disbursements/Review Auditor's Warrants 08-25-20-03 Motion by Commissioner Kack and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve the commissioner warrants for the following amounts: \$34,662.06 Ditch Fund, \$41,118.14 Revenue Fund, \$21,885.46 Road & Bridge Fund, \$67,972.19 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 Renneke reported on Personnel Committee, update on Timm Park, CD 1B Final Hearing and Special Board meeting. Commissioner Johnson reported on Department Head meeting, Parks Committee, Clarkfield City Council meeting, Prairie Five, Prairie Lakes Youth Program, CD 1B Final Hearing and Special Board meeting. Commissioner Antony reported on Personnel Committee, Minnesota Valley Regional Railroad Authority, Counties Providing Technology, Ad Hoc Pandemic Committee, CD 1B Final Hearing and Special Board meeting. Commissioner Kack reported on U of M Extension, Southwest 18 Adult Mental Health, CD 1B Final Hearing and Special Board meeting. Commissioner Berends reported on Ad Hoc Pandemic Committee, Yellow Stone Trail, Historical Society, CD 1B Final Hearing and Special Board 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

Rick Wandersee, Maintenance Department, gave an update.

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

Purchase of Service Contract 08-25-20-04 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve the Purchase of Service contract with Harmony Visitation Center for court ordered visits and a Resolution Authorizing Execution of Agreement for Stacey Steinbach, Children's Social Service Supervisor, on behalf of Yellow Medicine County. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Commissioner Renneke left the meeting.

Conditional Use Permit Request YM-608-20, Marshall Meier/Meier Ranch LLC 08-25-20-05

Jolene Johnson, Planning & Zoning Coordinator, presented a recommendation from the Planning Commission to approve conditional use permit request YM-608-20 for Marshall Meier/Meier Ranch LLC, Belview, MN, to expand an existing feedlot from 1,494 animal units to 1,999 animal units. The proposed construction consists of a 72' x 243' confinement barn to house 505 head of slaughter steers/heifers. Manure storage will consist of a 49' x 243' x 12' below barn concrete tank. The site is located in the Rural Preservation Management District in the southwest one-quarter of the southwest one-quarter (SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$) in Section 35 of Echo Township T-113-N R-38-W. The Yellow Medicine County Land Use and Related Resource Management Ordinance Section VII, Subdivision 10, requires existing feedlots over 500 animal units, that are expanding to obtain a Conditional Use permit.

Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve Conditional Use Permit YM-608-20 for Marshall Meier/Meier Ranch LLC with no conditions. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Conditional Use Permit Request YM-609-20, Hunter Kvistad 08-25-20-06

Jolene Johnson, Planning & Zoning Coordinator, presented a recommendation from the Planning Commission to approve conditional use permit request YM-609-20 for Hunter Kvistad, Wood Lake, MN, to construct a new feedlot consisting of 920 animal units. The site will consist of a 64' x 384' brooder barn to house 40,000 turkeys under 5 lbs. and a 68' x 944' finishing barn to house 40,000 turkeys over 5 lbs. The site is located in the Rural Preservation Management District in the southeast one-quarter of the southwest one-quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$) in Section 29 of Sioux Agency Township T-114-N R-38-W. The Yellow Medicine County Land Use and Related Resource Management Ordinance Section VII, Subdivision 10, requires a conditional use permit for new feedlots with more than 500 animal units.

Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve Conditional Use Permit YM-609-20 for Hunter Kvistad with no conditions. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Draft Lease Agreement 08-25-20-07 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve the draft Law Enforcement Lease Agreement for the City of Granite Falls to review. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Administrator Steinbach gave an update on the Pandemic Ad Hoc Committee.

CARES Act Funds 08-25-20-08 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve the recommendation from the Ad Hoc Pandemic Committee to include utilities, mortgage and rent on the eligible expense list for CARES Act funds along with allowing entities to submit an application for proposed expenses. These will be included on the second round of the application process. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Commissioner Renneke joined the meeting.

CARES Act Funds 08-25-20-09 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Kack to add a permanent Family Service Center drop box and mobile field force equipment to the eligible list of Yellow Medicine County CARES Act funds. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

The board discussed future board meetings and decided to continue with the virtual meeting option at this time for regular meetings.

Other Business None

Informational County Assessor Information

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

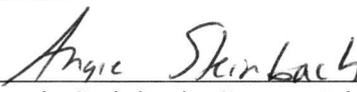
Adjourn 08-25-20-10 Motion by Commissioner Renneke and seconded by Commissioner Kack to adjourn at 10:27 a.m. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Witness:



John Berends, Chair

Attest:



Angie Steinbach, County Administrator