

**Yellow Medicine County Board Meeting Minutes
December 14, 2021**

Chairman Gary Johnson called this regular meeting of the Yellow Medicine County Board to order at 2:23 p.m. with Commissioners Ron Antony, Glen Kack and John Berends also present. Also present were County Administrator Angie Steinbach, County Attorney Mark Gruenes and HR Manager Ashley Soine. Commissioner Greg Renneke was absent.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approve Agenda 12-14-21-01 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Antony to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Consent Agenda 12-14-21-02 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve the consent agenda items as follows: November 23, 2021 County Board meeting minutes; Resolution #64-2021 and #65-2021 for Restorative Justice donations; Partial Pay Estimate No. 3 to S.J. Jacobs & Sons, Inc. in the amount of \$391,351.42; Recycling Partnership Grant Agreement; 2022-2023 MPCA County Feedlot Program Delegation Agreement Work Plan; Budget Amendment for Planning and Zoning; Ag BMP Septic Loan Budget Amendment; transfer of Cody Berghuis to the Sign Technician position, his salary will be grade 9, step 2, his start date is December 20, 2021; approval to replace the Parks Coordinator/Equipment Operator position; hiring of Marit Nordang as a Property & Public Services Deputy, her salary will be grade 8, step 4, her start date is January 3, 2022. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Citizen Comments None

Approval of Disbursements/Review Auditor's Warrants 12-14-21-03 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve the commissioner warrants for the following amounts: \$96,633.24 Ditch Fund, \$139,998.36 Revenue Fund, \$24,918.99 Road & Bridge Fund, \$153,796.85 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 Kack reported on Safe Communities Coalition, SW18 Adult Mental Health, CD 9 meeting and Area II/RCRCA. Commissioner Antony reported on Pioneerland Library System, AMC Conference, Emergency Communication Board (Finance), Chemical Health Coalition, 6W Community Corrections and CD 9 meeting. Commissioner Berends reported on CD 9 meeting, AMC Conference and Yellowstone Trail. Commissioner Johnson reported on CD 9 meeting, AMC Conference (virtual session), 6W Community Corrections, Department Head meeting, Area Transportation Partnership, Upper Minnesota Valley Regional Development Commission and Revolving Loan Fund.

Regular Agenda

Jared Shepherd, Attorney with Campbell Knutson, P.A., discussed the Opioid Settlement Agreement.

Resolution #61-2021 12-14-21-04 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve Resolution #61-2021 to authorize county staff to execute all necessary documents to ensure County participation in the multistate settlements relating to opioid distributors and manufacturers, and in the Minnesota Opioids State-Subdivision Memorandum of Agreement, and declaring support for an amendment to Minn. Stat. 256.043, subd. 3(d). Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Minnesota State Subdivision Agreement 12-14-21-05 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve the Minnesota Opioids State-Subdivision Memorandum of Agreement. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

The board recessed for break at 3:33 p.m.

The board reconvened for break at 3:43 p.m.

Dennis Pederson, IT Department, gave an update.

YM River Watershed Board of Managers 12-14-21-06 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Kack to appoint William Briggs to the Yellow Medicine River Watershed District Board of Managers for a three-year term beginning January 1, 2022 and expiring on December 31, 2024. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Resolution #63-2021 to Commit Fund Balance 12-14-21-07 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Antony to approve resolution #63-2021 to commit fund balance from the General Revenue Fund and Road & Bridge Fund as presented. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Open Public Hearing 12-14-21-08 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kack to open the public hearing at 4:00 p.m. regarding the 2022 Fee Schedule. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Close Public Hearing 12-14-21-09 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to close the public hearing at 4:05 p.m. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Fee Schedule and Resolution #66-2021 12-14-21-10 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve the 2022 Fee Schedule and Resolution #66-2021 as presented. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Andy Sander, Highway Department, gave an update.

Resolution #62-2021 and Final Payment 12-14-21-11 Motion by Commissioner Kack and seconded by Commissioner Antony to approve Resolution #62-2021 which authorizes final payment to Traffic Marking Service, Inc. in the amount of \$2,945.13 for the final contract amount totaling \$58,902.54. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Purchase of GPS Rover 12-14-21-12 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve the purchase of a GPS Rover for the Highway Department from Frontier Precision (state bid) in the amount of \$27,061.04 (includes trade-in). Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Prairie Waters Relocation/Visitor Guide Advertisement 12-14-21-13 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve a full page recreational ad (focus on YMC County Parks) and half page employment ad to be included in the Prairie Waters Relocation/Visitor Guide in an amount not to exceed \$2,800. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Resolution #67-2021 Authorizing Execution of Agreement with Thomson Reuters 12-14-21-14 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Antony to approve Resolution #67-2021 which Authorizes Execution of Agreement with Thompson Reuters for a Westlaw research subscription. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

The board discussed the January 4th Open House and the consensus was to postpone the formal open house for the public until a future date.

The board tabled discussion on the American Rescue Plan funds.

The board discussed the 2022 budget.

Payable 2022 Tax Levy 12-14-21-15 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve a 4.27% net levy increase for 2022 for a total net tax levy of \$11,784,803 and to approve the 2022 budget as follows:

Revenue Fund	\$6,926,684
Road & Bridge Fund	\$2,290,507
Human Services Fund	\$2,603,697
Library	\$91,126
Tax Abatement	\$9,000
Water Plan	\$13,322
Justice Center Bond	<u>\$429,850</u>
Total Certified 2022 Gross Tax Levy	\$12,364,186
Less: 2022 Certified County Program Aid	<u>\$579,383</u>
Total Certified 2022 Net Tax Levy	\$11,784,803

Fund	Revenues	Expenses	Surplus/(Deficit)
General	9,264,200	9,374,200	(110,000)
Road & Bridge	7,018,809	7,018,809	-
Human Services	5,183,970	5,183,970	-
Bond Debt	429,850	429,850	-
Total Budget	21,896,829	22,006,829	(110,000)

Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Other Business None

Informational None

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

Adjourn 12-14-21-16 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to adjourn at 5:54 p.m. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Witness:


 Gary Johnson, Chair

Attest:


 Angie Steinbach, County Administrator