

**Yellow Medicine County Board Meeting Minutes  
December 28, 2021**

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

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Approve Agenda 12-28-21-01** Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Antony to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

**Consent Agenda 12-28-21-02** Motion by Commissioner Kack and seconded by Commissioner Antony to approve the consent agenda items as follows: December 14, 2021 County Board meeting minutes; December 14, 2021 County Truth in Taxation meeting minutes; Service Agreement with Maximus US Services, Inc.; 2022 Countryside Public Health Contract for Services Agreement; temporary rehire of Megan Ryer as an Eligibility Worker. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

**Citizen Comments None**

**Approval of Disbursements/Review Auditor's Warrants 12-28-21-03** Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Renneke to approve the commissioner warrants for the following amounts: \$74,299.42 Ditch Fund, \$83,646.97 Revenue Fund, \$60,956.97 Road & Bridge Fund, \$195,663.55 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.

**Regular Agenda**

Charles Bucholz, Eligibility Worker, was introduced to the board.

Rae Ann Keeler-Aus and Melissa Helgeson, Family Services, gave an update on Substance Use Disorder Reform.

**Commissioners' Report** Commissioner Kack reported on Truth in Taxation meeting, Administrator's annual review, Western Mental Health Center and Revolving Loan Fund. Commissioner Berends reported on Truth in Taxation meeting, Personnel Committee and Historical Society. Commissioner Antony reported on Truth in Taxation meeting, Workforce Center, Minnesota Valley Regional Railroad Authority, Chemical Health Coalition and One Watershed One Plan. Commissioner Renneke had no reports. Commissioner Johnson reported on Truth in Taxation meeting, Administrator's annual review, Revolving Loan Fund, Personnel Committee and Prairie Lakes Youth Program.

Tyler Knutson and Kurt Johnson, Yellow Medicine Soil and Water Conservation District, gave an update.

Charles Paslawski and Samantha Bertrand, Assistant County Attorneys, were introduced to the board.

The board recessed for break at 10:28 a.m.

The board reconvened for break at 10:44 a.m.

Rae Ann Keeler-Aus, Family Services, gave an update.

**Project Turnabout 12-28-21-04** Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve the 2022 Purchase of Service Host County contract with Project Turnabout for Detoxification Services with a 3% increase. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

**Countryside Public Health 12-28-21-05** Motion by Commissioner Renneke and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve the 2022 Purchase of Service contract with Countryside Public Health (no increase from 2021). Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Connie Erickson, County Assessor, presented assessment projections for the 2022 assessment year.

**Newspaper Group Legal Advertising Agreement 12-28-21-06** Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve the Yellow Medicine County Newspaper Group Legal Advertising Agreement effective January 1, 2022. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

**Resolution #69-2021 Exempt Gambling Permit 12-28-21-07** Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve Resolution #69-2021 which approves the exempt gambling permit for Lee-Mar Ranch Equine Center. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

**Resolution #68-2021 Sponsorship of Trails 12-28-21-08** Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve Resolution #68-2021 which authorizes sponsorship of trails. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

**Resolution #70-2021 for 2021 Donations 12-28-21-09** Motion by Commissioner Kack and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve Resolution #70-2021 which accepts gifts and grants. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

The board will continue to discuss American Rescue Plan funds in the future.

The board discussed the board chair and vice chair positions for 2022 and will take action on it during the January 4, 2022 board meeting.

**Close Regular Meeting 12-28-21-10** Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kack to close the meeting at 11:59 a.m. The meeting was closed under Minnesota Statute 13D.05 to discuss Administrator Steinbach's performance evaluation. Those present were the County Board members, County Administrator Angie Steinbach and Human Resource Manager Ashley Soine. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

**Open Regular Meeting 12-28-21-11** Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to open the regular meeting at 12:05 p.m. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

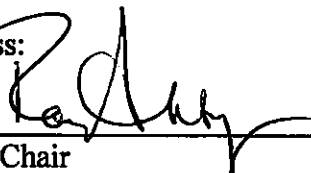
**Administrator Review 12-28-21-12** The Board summarized the closed meeting. Administrator Steinbach met expectations on all categories. Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve the satisfactory performance review for Administrator Steinbach and to approve the step increase as per the 2022 salary schedule. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

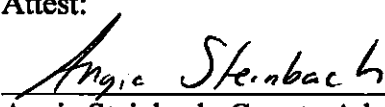
**Other Business** None

**Informational** None

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

**Adjourn 12-28-21-13** Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Kack to adjourn at 12:40 p.m. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Witness:   
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Board Chair

Attest:   
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Angie Steinbach, County Administrator