

**Yellow Medicine County Board Meeting Minutes
February 26, 2008**

Chairman Louis Sherlin called this regular meeting of the Yellow Medicine County Board to order at 12:30 p.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 Marshall Independent reporter Robert Wolfington.

Approve Agenda 2-26-08-01 Motion by Commissioner Wambeke and second by Commissioner Antony to approve the agenda with the following changes: add Resolution 10-2008 supporting a state operated treatment program to the Consent Agenda; add Water Task Force to Other Business. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Consent Agenda 2-26-08-02 Motion by Commissioner Wambeke and second by Commissioner Remiger to approve the consent agenda items as follows: minutes of the February 12, 2008, County Board meeting as amended; 2008-2010 AFSCME courthouse and highway union contracts; modified job descriptions – engineering technicians and equipment operators; 2008 DNR boat and water safety grant; 2007 audit engagement letter; Finance Committee operating guidelines amendment; capital asset policy amendments; Resolution 08-2008 - authorizing auditor/treasurer to reclassify and create accounts; Resolution 09-2008 - gambling resolution for Montevideo Lions Club; renewal of on-sale and Sunday Liquor licenses (Goodfellows, J.B.Yates, Montevideo Country Club, Granite Falls Golf Course); Resolution 10-2008 – support of a state operated treatment program. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Off-sale Liquor License Public Hearing 2-26-08-03 Chairman Sherlin opened the public hearing at 12:35 p.m. to hear comments regarding an off-sale liquor license for Michael Bendel and Peter Bendel, owners of Joey’s Greendoor Steakhouse & Sport’s Bar in Burton Township. Michael Bendel and Auditor/Treasurer Lois Bonde were present. No comments from the public were provided. Motion by Commissioner Antony and second by Commissioner Wambeke to close the hearing at 12:41 p.m. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Off-sale License 2-26-08-04 Motion by Commissioner Antony and second by Commissioner Remiger to approve, contingent on township board and commissioner of public safety approval, an off-sale liquor license for Michael Bendel and Peter Bendel, owners of Joey’s Greendoor Steakhouse & Sport’s Bar in Burton Township. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Citizen Comments: None

Commissioner Reports:

Commissioner Johnson reported on the RDC and Prairie 5. Commissioner Remiger reported on the RCRCA, MN River Board, County Museum and AMC Legislative Steering Committee. Commissioner Wambeke reported on the Finance Committee, Courthouse Campus Committee, Safety Committee and pandemic planning meeting. Commissioner Antony reported on the Pioneerland Library. Commissioner Sherlin reported on the WesMN RLF and Labor Management Committee.

Department Reports: None

Regular Agenda:

2006 County Audit Review E.J. Moberg with the State Auditor's Office presented the county's 2006 audited financial statement. Auditor/Treasurer Bonde and Family Service Director Peggy Heglund were also present.

MCIT Member Report Jane Hennagir with MCIT presented the 2008 MCIT Member Report to the Board. Sheriff Flaten was also present for the presentation.

The Board recessed for a break at 2:08 p.m.

The Board reconvened at 2:20 p.m.

Prairie Country RC&D Update Randy Nelson with Prairie Country RC&D presented a summary of the RC&D's 2007 activities.

LCMR Grant 2-26-08-05 Jared Brouwer and Kurt Johnson with the Yellow Medicine SWCD discussed a LCMR grant application for funds to purchase granite outcrop easements. Motion by Commissioner Johnson and second by Commissioner Wambeke to approve a letter of support from the Board for a LCMR granite outcrop easement grant. Motion carried with Commissioners Antony, Wambeke and Johnson voting in favor and Commissioner Remiger voting against.

Jail Remodel and County Attorney's Office Discussion The Board reviewed architect designs and cost estimates for remodeling the jail huber and building a new County Attorney's Office. Sheriff Flaten and Restorative Justice Coordinator Julie Marthaler were also present. The Board tabled the discussion for the next Board meeting.

Other Business:

Water Task Force 2-26-08-06 Commissioner Johnson presented a list of recommendations from the Water Task Force of projects that could be completed with additional funding from the county. Motion by Commissioner Antony and second by Commissioner Wambeke to approve a budget amendment of \$7,500 in expenditures for the Water Task Force. Motion carried with Commissioners Antony, Wambeke and Johnson voting in favor and Commissioner Remiger voting against.

Approval of Disbursements/Review Auditor's Warrants 2-26-08-07 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and second by Commissioner Antony to approve the Commissioner's Warrants for the following amounts: \$24,117.33 Revenue Fund, \$5,800.87 Road and Bridge Fund; and acknowledge review of the Auditor's warrants. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

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

Informational The Board reviewed the January 2008 jail report, Revenue Fund financial reports and county investment report.

Adjourn 2-26-08-08 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and second by Commissioner Wambeke to adjourn at 3:35 p.m. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Witness:

Attest:

Louis Sherlin, Chair

Lois Bonde, Auditor/Treasurer