

**Yellow Medicine County Board Meeting Minutes  
February 27, 2018**

Chairman Ron Antony called this regular meeting of the Yellow Medicine County Board to order at 9:00 a.m. with Commissioners Ron Antony, Gary Johnson, Glen Kack, Greg Renneke and John Berends present. Also present were County Administrator Peg Heglund, County Attorney Keith Helgeson, Finance and Administration Deputy Ashley Soine, Granite Falls Advocate Tribune reporter Kyle Klausing and Marshall Independent reporter Jody Isaackson.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Approve Agenda 02-27-18-01** Motion by Commissioner Renneke and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve the agenda with the following addition: discussion on usage of the Government Center parking lot to the Regular Agenda. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

**Consent Agenda 02-27-18-02** Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve the consent agenda items as follows: February 13, 2018 County Board meeting minutes; liquor licenses for Goodfellows, Greendoor Steakhouse & Sports Bar, The Crossing & Johnny on the Tee, Granite Run Golf Course and The Rock. Motion carried with Commissioner Johnson, Kack, Antony and Renneke voting in favor. Commissioner Berends abstained from voting due to a conflict of interest.

**Citizen Comments** None

**Approval of Disbursements/Review Auditor's Warrants 02-27-18-03** Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve the commissioner warrants for the following amounts: \$34,874.70 Ditch Fund, \$38,439.83 Revenue Fund, \$23,278.43 Road & Bridge Fund, \$48,999.23 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**

**SafeAssure Contract 02-27-18-04** Chad Peterson from SafeAssure presented on a contract for safety program consulting services to include training. Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Renneke to approve the contract with SafeAssure in the amount of \$9,786 for one year. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

**Yellow Medicine River Watershed Appointment 02-27-18-05** Motion by Commissioner Renneke and seconded by Commissioner Berends to appoint Elmo Volstad to the Yellow Medicine River Watershed District Board of Managers for a three-year term. The term will expire on December 31, 2020. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

**Conditional Use Permit Request YM-587-18, Chris Long and Casey Long 02-27-18-06**

Jolene Johnson, Planning & Zoning Coordinator, presented a recommendation from the Planning Commission to approve conditional use permit request YM-587-18 for Chris Long and Casey Long, Cottonwood, MN, to construct a 102' x 200' hog finishing barn to house 2,400 head (720 animal units) of swine. Manure storage will be in a concrete pit beneath the barn. The site is located in the Rural Preservation Management District in the northeast one-quarter of the northeast one-quarter (NE ¼ NE ¼) of Section 15 in Posen Township T-113-N R-39-W. A Conditional Use permit is required because this is an expansion of an existing feedlot over 500 animal units and it is located within ½ mile of a neighboring dwelling.

Motion by Commissioner Renneke and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve Conditional Use Permit YM-587-18 for Chris Long and Casey Long with the following conditions:

1. Shall use pit and or/feed additives to control odor.
2. Shall plant and maintain two rows of trees on the north and east sides of the building.
3. Proof of water source must be submitted to the Yellow Medicine County Zoning Office prior to operation.

Motion carried with Commissioner Renneke, Kack, Johnson and Antony voting in favor. Commissioner Berends abstained from voting due to a conflict of interest.

**Resolution #07-2018 02-27-18-07** Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve resolution #07-2018 to Incorporate the Summary of Watercourses into the Yellow Medicine County Comprehensive Local Water Management Plan. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Administrator Heglund and Dennis Pederson, IT Coordinator, discussed options on where to hang the 48-star flag at the Justice Center.

Sharon Hendrichs, Restorative Justice Coordinator, discussed the proposed Chemical Health Coalition mini-grant criteria.

**CHC Grant Review Board 02-27-18-08** Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to appoint Commissioner Antony to the Chemical Health Coalition Grant Review Board. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

**CHC Mini-Grant Criteria 02-27-18-09** Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Berends to accept the Chemical Health Coalition grant criteria as discussed. The grant cycle is for the calendar year 2018. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

The board recessed for break at 10:52 a.m.

The board reconvened at 11:07 a.m.

**Commissioners' Report** Commissioner Antony reported on One Watershed One Plan, Personnel Committee, JD 21 meeting, JD 10 conference call, Minnesota Valley Regional Railroad Authority, Fairgrounds meeting, Canby DAC and CD 36 discussion. Commissioner Kack reported on Fairgrounds meeting, Canby DAC, U of M Extension, Fair Board, Drainage and Water conference, Western Mental Health Center and JD 10 conference call. Commissioner Renneke reported on PACT for Families, JD 10 conference call, JD 21 meeting and Planning Commission. Commissioner Berends reported on Personnel Committee, JD 21 meeting, Countryside Public Health and Historical Society. Commissioner Johnson reported on U of M Extension, CD 36 discussion, pipeline meeting, Prairie Lakes, Prairie Five, Upper Minnesota Valley Regional Development Commission and Clarkfield school task force.

Administrator Heglund's report included meetings attended, repairs at the fairgrounds, Opportunity Zones and adult mental health. Administrator Heglund's report is included in the Board packet.

### **Regular Agenda (continued)**

**Open Public Hearing 02-27-18-10** Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Renneke to open the public hearing at 11:30 a.m. for the Five-year Highway CIP. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Andy Sander, County Engineer and Dan Moravetz, Assistant County Engineer, presented the five-year Highway CIP.

**Close Public Hearing 02-27-18-11** Motion by Commissioner Kack and seconded by Commissioner Berends to close the public hearing at 11:59 a.m. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

**Five-year Highway CIP 02-27-18-12** Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve the Highway Department's five-year CIP. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

**Seasonal Bids and Calcium Chloride Dust Control Rate 02-27-18-13** Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve the list of seasonal bids and to set the rate at \$0.80/linear foot for dust control (no change from 2017). Motion carried with all voting in favor.

**Opportunity Zone 02-27-18-14** Motion by Commissioner Kack and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to proceed with contacts to the City of Canby and the Upper Minnesota Valley Regional Development Commission. Administrator Heglund will research the details. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

The Board discussed a trespassing issue with the Clarkfield school. The board directed Janel Timm, Property & Public Services Director, to research possible solutions such as additional lighting or cameras.

Janel Timm discussed a request to park campers in the Government Center parking lot the first weekend in May. Due to the special circumstance, the consensus was to allow them to park campers in the parking lot for that weekend.

The board recessed for lunch at 12:31 p.m.

The board reconvened at 1:12 p.m.

Commissioner Johnson was not in attendance.

### **Department/Program Updates**

Chris Balfany and Jolene Johnson, Land and Resource Management, gave an update.

Rae Ann Keeler-Aus and Robin Schoep, Family Service Center, gave a department update.

**Vehicle Purchase 02-27-18-15** Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve the purchase of a vehicle for the Family Service Center in the amount of \$20,948 from the State Bid (low quote). The current vehicle will be offered to other departments first. If there is no interest, then the vehicle will be sold. If it is traded to another department, then that department's vehicle will be sold. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

### **Regular Agenda (continued)**


**Contract with KNOWiNK 02-27-18-16** Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve the contract with KNOWiNK, LLC for election equipment and software and to allow Janel Timm to sign the contract. 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 02-27-18-17** Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Renneke to adjourn at 2:19 p.m. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Witness:  
  
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Ron Antony, Chair

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Peggy Heglund, County Administrator