

**Yellow Medicine County Board Meeting Minutes
January 2, 2018**

Chairman Gary Johnson 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 and John Berends present. Also present were County Administrator Peg Heglund, County Attorney Keith Helgeson, Finance and Administration Deputy Ashley Soine and Granite Falls Advocate Tribune reporter Kyle Klausing. Commissioner Greg Renneke was absent.

Pledge of Allegiance

Election of Chair 01-02-18-01 Commissioner Johnson called for nominations for the 2018 County Board Chair. Commissioner Berends nominated Commissioner Antony. Commissioner Johnson called for additional nominations three times and heard none. Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kack to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Commissioner Antony for 2018 County Board Chair. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Election of Vice-Chair 01-02-18-02 Chairman Antony called for nominations for 2018 County Vice-Chair. Commissioner Johnson nominated Commissioner Renneke. Commissioner Antony called for additional nominations three times and heard none. Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Berends to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Commissioner Renneke for 2018 County Board Vice-Chair. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Approve Agenda 01-02-18-03 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve the agenda. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

2018 Organizational Business

Committee/Board/Task Force/Delegate Appointments 01-02-18-04 The Board reviewed the list of committee, task force and board assignments. Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve the list of committee, board, task force and delegate appointments for 2018. Motion carried with all voting in favor. A complete list of appointments is on file with the Finance & Administration Department and on the county website.

Meeting Dates and Times 01-02-18-05 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Berends to set regular County Board meetings for the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at 9:00 a.m. at the Yellow Medicine County Board Room. The December 25, 2018 board meeting will be scheduled for December 27, 2018. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Official Newspaper 01-02-18-06 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kack to designate the Advocate Tribune as the official 2018 County newspaper. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Coyote Bounty 01-02-18-07 Motion by Commissioner Kack and seconded by Commissioner Berends to leave the coyote bounty the same as 2017 at \$10 per coyote with a \$2,000 maximum for 2018 (accepted year-long). Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Mileage Rate 01-02-18-08 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Kack to follow the IRS rate which is 54.5 cents per mile for 2018. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Gopher Bounty 01-02-18-09 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Kack to set the gopher bounty as a 50/50 match with townships up to \$2 per gopher. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Meal Reimbursement 01-02-18-10 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kack to leave the meal reimbursement amount the same as 2017 at \$40 per day for 2018. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Fairgrounds Storage Rate 01-02-18-11 Motion by Commissioner Kack and seconded by Commissioner Berends to leave the fairgrounds storage rates the same as 2017 at \$5.00/linear foot for campers, boats and cars; \$25 for motorcycles and golf carts; and \$3.00/linear foot for open wall storage. This item will be moved to the fee schedule for 2019. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Tax Forfeit Fees 01-02-18-12 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve Resolution #01-2018 as presented authorizing 20% of the tax-forfeit proceeds remaining after the appointments required under M.S. 282.08, Subdivisions 1 through 3, be used for the acquisition and maintenance of county parks and recreational areas. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Charging Attorney Costs to Human Services 01-02-18-13 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve charging the actual costs of the County Attorney's Office services provided to Human Services to the Human Services Fund. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Set minimum salary for Sheriff and Attorney and Resolution #04-2018 01-02-18-14 Motion by Commissioner Berends to set the minimum salaries for the County Attorney and Sheriff at the current 2018 rate (resolution #04-2018). The County Attorney minimum salary will be \$108,197.06 and the Sheriff minimum salary will be \$93,464.67. Motion failed due to lack of a second.

Set minimum salary for Sheriff and Attorney and Resolution #04-2018 01-02-18-15 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Antony to set the minimum salaries for the County Attorney and Sheriff at the current 2018 rate (resolution #04-2018). The County Attorney minimum salary will be \$108,197.06 and the Sheriff minimum salary will be \$93,464.67. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Consent Agenda 01-02-18-16 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve the consent agenda items as follows: December 26, 2017 County Board meeting minutes; Resolution #02-2018 Non-Corporate Agreement with Wells Fargo; Resolution #03-2018 for Granite Falls Bank; approval of Brianna Staton and Rebecca Winkelman as unpaid Social Work interns in the Family Service Center for the spring of 2018. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Citizen Comments None

Approval of Disbursements/Review Auditor's Warrants 01-02-18-17 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve the commissioner warrants for the following amounts: \$4,445.68 Ditch Fund, \$38,106.49 Revenue Fund, \$3,059.78 Road & Bridge Fund, \$20,214.09 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 Antony had no reports. Commissioner Berends had no reports. Commissioner Kack had no reports. Commissioner Johnson reported on Prairie Five.

Administrator Heglund's report included meetings attended, update on strategic planning goals and future strategic planning sessions. Administrator Heglund's report is included in the Board packet.

Regular Agenda

Board of Adjustment Appointments 01-02-18-18 The Board appointed two Board of Adjustment members as follows:

Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Berends to appoint Loren Hacker to a three-year term with the term ending December 31, 2020 and Jeffrey Berthelson to a three-year term with the term ending December 31, 2020. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Request for County Subordination by Granite Falls Bank 01-02-18-19 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve the subordination of the County's AGBMP Loan lien position behind a mortgage to be recorded by Granite Falls Bank in regards to Corey and Michelle Geistfeld. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Department/Program Updates

Liz Auch and Megan Boutain, Countryside Public Health, gave an update.

Keith Helgeson, County Attorney, gave a department update.

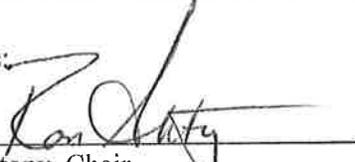
Other Business None

Informational None

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

Adjourn 01-02-18-20 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kack to adjourn at 11:45 a.m. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Witness:



Ron Antony, Chair

Attest:



Peggy Heglund, County Administrator