

Yellow Medicine County Board Meeting Minutes
January 3, 2017

Judge Knutsen conducted the Swearing in for the Elected Officials. Those taking the Oath included Commissioners Antony and Johnson (both re-elected), Commissioner Kack (elected) and Assessor Connie Erickson (reappointed). In addition, Jerry Nelson and Delon Clarksean were sworn in as Soil and Water Conservation District Supervisors.

Chairman John Berends 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, Marshall Independent reporter Jody Isaackson and Granite Falls Advocate Tribune reporter Alex Sina. Absent was Commissioner Greg Renneke.

Pledge of Allegiance

Election of Chair 01-03-17-01 Commissioner Berends called for nominations for the 2017 County Board Chair. Commissioner Antony nominated Commissioner Johnson. Commissioner Berends called for additional nominations three times and heard none. Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Kack to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Commissioner Johnson for 2017 County Board Chair. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Election of Vice-Chair 01-03-17-02 Chairman Johnson called for nominations for 2017 County Vice-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 2017 County Board Vice-Chair. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Approve Agenda 01-03-17-03 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Antony to approve the agenda with the following additions/changes: table Countryside Public Health program update and add approval of AFSCME Courthouse labor contract. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

2017 Organizational Business

Official Newspaper 01-03-17-04 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to designate the Canby News as the official 2017 County newspaper. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Committee/Board/Task Force/Delegate Appointments 01-03-17-05 The Board reviewed the list of committee, task force and board assignments. Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve the list of committee, board, task force and delegate appointments for 2017. Motion carried with all voting in favor. A complete list of appointments is on file with the Finance & Administration Department.

Meeting Dates and Times 01-03-17-06 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kack 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. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Gopher Bounty 01-03-17-07 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to set the gopher bounty at \$2 per gopher. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Coyote Bounty 01-03-17-08 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to set the coyote bounty at \$10 per coyote with a \$2,000 maximum for 2017 (accepted year-long). Motion carried with all voting in favor.

The Board will continue to follow the IRS rate which is 53.5 cents per mile for 2017.

Meal Reimbursement 01-03-17-09 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to set the meal reimbursement amount at \$40 per day for 2017. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

The Board tabled setting the fairgrounds storage rates to a future Board meeting.

Tax Forfeit Fees 01-03-17-10 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve Resolution #01-2017 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 01-03-17-11 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Antony 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.

Consent Agenda 01-03-17-12 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve the consent agenda items as follows: December 27, 2016 County Board meeting minutes; 2016 Engagement Letter for Audit Services provided by Office of the State Auditor; hiring of Heavy Equipment Operator; replace Equipment Operator; Additional Appropriation Request for Planning & Zoning. The gambling permit for Montevideo Chamber of Commerce for January 27, 2017 at The Crossings of Montevideo Golf Club was pulled and added to the Regular Agenda. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

The Board recessed for break at 10:21 a.m.

The Board reconvened at 10:30 a.m.

Gambling Permit 01-03-17-13 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve the Gambling Permit for Montevideo Chamber of Commerce for January 27, 2017 at The Crossings of Montevideo Golf Club. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Citizen Comments None

Commissioners' Report Commissioner Antony had no reports. Commissioner Berends had no reports. Commissioner Kack had no reports. Commissioner Johnson reported on RDC.

Administrator Heglund's report included future meetings.

AFSCME Courthouse Labor Contract 01-03-17-14 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve the AFSCME Courthouse labor contract for 2017-2019. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Department/Program Updates

Keith Helgeson, County Attorney, gave an update.

Liz Auch, Countryside Public Health, was unable to attend.

Other Business None

Informational None

Approval of Disbursements/Review Auditor's Warrants 01-03-17-15 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Antony to approve the commissioner warrants for the following amounts: \$0 Ditch Fund, \$21,962.18 Revenue Fund, \$22,707.81 Road & Bridge Fund, \$21,507.39 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.

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

Adjourn 01-03-17-16 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kack to adjourn at 11:10 a.m. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Witness:

Attest:



Gary Johnson, Chair



Peggy Heglund, County Administrator