

Yellow Medicine County Board Meeting Minutes
July 14, 2020

Chairman John Berends called this regular meeting of the Yellow Medicine County Board to order at 9:00 a.m. with Commissioners Ron Antony, Greg Renneke, Glen Kack and Gary Johnson also present (in-person or via teleconference). Also present were County Administrator Angie Steinbach, County Attorney Keith Helgeson (via teleconference), Finance and Administration Deputy Ashley Soine (via teleconference), West Central Tribune reporter Tom Cherveney (via teleconference) and Advocate Tribune reporter Jess Gorman (via teleconference). Due to the current federal and state emergency declarations and guidance about limiting person-to-person contact due to the COVID-19 (coronavirus) pandemic, the July 14, 2020 meeting of the Yellow Medicine County Commissioners was conducted in accordance with Minnesota Statutes 13D.021 – Meetings by Telephone or Other Electronic Means.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approve Agenda 07-14-20-01 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve the agenda. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Consent Agenda 07-14-20-02 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve the consent agenda items as follows: June 23, 2020 County Board meeting minutes; June 23, 2020 Board of Equalization meeting minutes; consideration of permanent status for employee; hiring of Charles ‘Doug’ Border as part-time Van Driver, his salary will be grade 5, step 1, his start date is to be determined; Voiance Service Agreement; Resolution for 2019 DECN Next Generation Geographic Information System (NGGIS) Grant Acceptance in the amount of \$12,528.68. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Citizen Comments None

Approval of Disbursements/Review Auditor’s Warrants 07-14-20-03 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Antony to approve the commissioner warrants for the following amounts: \$41,565.45 Ditch Fund, \$234,542.52 Revenue Fund, \$22,969.54 Road & Bridge Fund, \$99,967.10 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 reported on Emergency Communication Board, budget meeting, Personnel Committee, Sentence to Serve meeting, 6W Community Corrections and MCIT. Commissioner Johnson reported on 6W Community Corrections, Upper Minnesota Valley Regional Development Commission, tax forfeited auction, Labor Negotiations meeting, Area Transportation Partnership, Sentence to Serve meeting, meeting with County Engineer Andy Sander, update on the fairgrounds, update on Oraas Park, update on the Permit by Rule site, Food Shelf meeting, budget meeting and interview with DDA. Commissioner Kack reported on Area II/RCRCA, Department Head meeting and Food Shelf meeting. Commissioner Berends reported on Prairie Waters, Southern Prairie Community Care, PrimeWest, Countryside Public Health and Yellow Stone Trail. Commissioner Renneke reported on Labor Negotiations meeting, interview with DDA and Personnel Committee.

Administrator Steinbach’s report included meetings attended, current projects being worked on and future meetings to attend. Administrator Steinbach’s report is included in the Board packet.

Regular Agenda

Liz Auch, Countryside Public Health, gave a presentation.