

Yellow Medicine County Board Meeting Minutes
July 23, 2019

Vice Chairman John Berends called this regular meeting of the Yellow Medicine County Board to order at 9:06 a.m. with Commissioners Glen Kack, Gary Johnson, Ron Antony, John Berends and Greg Renneke present. Also present were County Administrator Angie Steinbach, County Attorney Keith Helgeson, Finance and Administration Deputy Ashley Soine, Marshall Independent reporter Jim Muchlinski and Advocate Tribune reporter Noah Lusti.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approve Agenda 07-23-19-01 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Antony to approve the agenda with the following changes: remove hiring of part-time Assistant Custodian from Consent Agenda, add replacement of Property and Finance Deputy to Consent Agenda and add Highway motor grader discussion to the Regular Agenda. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Consent Agenda 07-23-19-02 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve the consent agenda items as follows: July 9, 2019 County Board meeting minutes; consideration of permanent status; hiring of Zach Juarez as a full-time Correctional Officer/Dispatcher, his salary will be grade 12, step 3, his start date is TBD; hiring of Tabby Niemeyer as the Highway Accountant, her salary will be grade 14, step 10, her start date is TBD; AgBMP Septic Loans Budget Amendment; Federal Project SP 087-070-015 HSIP Striping to AAA Striping Service Co. in the amount of \$12,411.76; replace Property and Finance Deputy. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Citizen Comments None

Karen Kepner, Child Support Administrative Secretary in Family Services, was introduced to the board.

Sheriff Bill Flaten discussed an upcoming purchase for an A/C unit.

Approval of Disbursements/Review Auditor's Warrants 07-23-19-03 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve the commissioner warrants for the following amounts: \$43,537.65 Ditch Fund, \$107,927.11 Revenue Fund, \$90,154.40 Road & Bridge Fund, \$67,245.44 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 Pioneerland Library System, Counties Providing Technology and Minnesota Valley Regional Railroad Authority. Commissioner Renneke reported on Restorative Justice Advisory Committee and Fleet Management meeting. Commissioner Johnson reported on drainage meetings, Prairie Lakes Youth Program, Historical Society, Prairie Five, Personnel Committee meeting and citizen concerns. Commissioner Berends reported on Fleet Management meeting, meeting with the City of Granite Falls and Historical Society. Commissioner Kack reported on Personnel Committee meeting, Area II/RCRCA, Fair board meeting, Western Mental Health Center and SW18 Adult Mental Health.

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

Senator Gary Dahms and Representative Chris Swedzinski discussed the recent legislative session and other topics/areas of concern.

The board discussed the bath house land by Memorial Park. The consensus was to donate a portion of parcel 09-003-2000 to the City of Granite Falls, for the purpose of a boat landing, contingent upon the Memorial Park improvement projects moving forward, and the city paying all costs for surveying, etc.

The board discussed allowing Finance Manager Lacey Rigge to assist the Historical Society with investments. The consensus was to allow a couple hours per year as necessary.

Motor Grader Additional Costs 07-23-19-04 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve the additional costs in the amount of \$14,584.09 for the Highway Department motor grader purchase (originally approved on June 11, 2019). Motion carried with all voting in favor.

The board recessed for break at 10:37 a.m.

The board reconvened at 10:49 a.m.

Commissioner Johnson was excused from the meeting to attend the Upper Minnesota Valley Regional Development Commission annual meeting.

HRA Resolution #21-2019 07-23-19-05 Cathy Jakobs, Chippewa County/Yellow Medicine County Housing and Redevelopment Authority Executive Director, gave a presentation on their proposed 2020 budget. Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve resolution #21-2019 which approves special benefit tax levy of the Housing and Redevelopment Authority of Yellow Medicine County pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 469.033, Subd. 6, for fiscal year 2020. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Canby Sportsman's Club 07-23-19-06 Dave Verhelst, Canby Sportsman's Club, presented the proposed Canby Sportsman's Club Activity Center. Mr. Verhelst discussed possible parking on county property. Staff will look into that option and it will be discussed at a future meeting. Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Kack to allow the Sportsmen's Club to have water and sewer lines run through county property to the Sportsman's Club. Motion carried with all voting in favor

Recorder's Technology Funds 07-23-19-07 Janel Timm, Property and Public Services Director, discussed the use of Recorder's Technology Funds for Phase 3 of Property and Public Service's imaging and archival of permanent records project. Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve the Agreement with ArcaSearch and use of restricted funds from the Recorder's Technology Fund in the amount of \$19,189. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Updated Cell/Smart Phone Policy 07-23-19-08 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve the policy language update to the County's Cell/Smart Phone Policy. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Letter of Support for LPRW 07-23-19-09 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve the Letter of Support for state funding for water source development, treatment and distribution for Lincoln Pipestone Rural Water. Motion carried with all voting in favor.