

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE YELLOW  
MEDICINE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
GRANITE FALLS, MINNESOTA  
July 8, 2003**

The Yellow Medicine County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 am on Tuesday, July 8, 2003, in the board meeting room. Present were Commissioners Lynn Anderson, Ron Antony, Jane Remiger, Louie Sherlin and Chairperson Gary Johnson. Also present were County Attorney Thomas Kramer, County Auditor Carolyn Sherlin, and news reporters Drew Geraets and Dan McGonigle. The chairperson called the meeting to order. On motion, the agenda for the day and the minutes of June 24, 2003 were accepted and approved.

Commissioners Reports were given on the following topics: Community Corrections, Prairie Five, Extension and 4-H, Area II, Regional Railroad, Terrorism Class, ICS, and the YMC Historical Society.

Liz Auch, Countryside Public Health, reviewed public health activities during 2002. These include Family and Child Health, Youth Risk/Tobacco, Lead Poisoning, Home Assessment, and Family Planning. She said that stated that her budget request for 2004 will be \$10,000 less than this year since she is aware of the state budget cuts involving HACA to the county.

Elan Hacker, Canby discussed the potential of a serious traffic hazard at the intersection of State Highway 68 and 160<sup>th</sup> Street located west of Canby. Serious auto accidents have happened at this blind intersection in the past, several resulting in fatalities. She suggested that the hill be cut down, providing more visibility to the driver, and a "blind intersection" sign could be put in place. Board members stated that because this road is a state highway, the county cannot make any changes. However, the county can request the State to investigate the situation. Anderson moved to direct highway department staff to work with MN Dot for reconstruction of the highway in order to provide improved safety conditions, Remiger seconded, all voted in favor.

Sheriff Rich Rollins presented a list of various services performed by his department with a recommended fee schedule, and requested adoption of the fee schedule. Anderson moved for approval, Antony seconded motion, all voted in favor. The new fee schedule will be effective on August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2003,

County Engineer John Johnson reviewed the bids received for a box culvert replacement project on CSAH 8, Section 26, in Normania Township.

Baker Brothers	\$12,500.
Midwest Contracting	17,190
R & G Construction	13,620

Anderson moved to award project to Baker Brothers for \$12,500, Remiger seconded motion, all voted in favor.

State Auditor Roger Albertson presented the 2002 county financial report. He stated that the cash reserves for the county are adequate in all three departments. He discussed the GASB requirements and said that the initial consolidation procedures of the three financial departments are completed with the remaining steps to be finished by January first. Discussion was held on the direction for county audits in the future. The state auditor's office will continue to review the county audit approximately once every three years allowing the county to hire a local firm during the other two years. The state will then review the local audits.

A form was received from the State Emergency Management office asking if our county received any damage from the June storms. Remiger moved for a reply that no damage had occurred during this time, Anderson seconded motion, all voted in favor.

A request was heard from Berends Inc., doing business as J.B. Yates, for approval of the optional 2 A.M. closing license in order to sell liquor until that time. Anderson moved for approval, effective on August 1, 2003, Remiger seconded motion, all voted in favor.

The following claims were presented for payment:

REVENUE FUND

Advocate-Tribune	418.35
Anhalt Plumbing & Heating Inc	187.65
Aramark Correctional Services	3,489.12
Bromen Office Supply	108.46
Michelle Caveney	144.02
Clarey's Safety Equipment, Inc	3,090.00
Computer Profess Unlimited Inc	2,687.22
Cooks Inc	121.46
Davis Typewriter Co Inc	1,769.33
Elan Financial Services	150.64
Russ Ellingson	213.00
Karl Erickson DDS	1,245.00
Farmer's Coop Oil	802.67
First National Bank	224.03
Granite Falls Municipal Hospital	2,150.00
Independent Oil Co	239.55
The Ink Spot	342.40
K.E.E.P.R.S.	4,070.93
Kilowatt Computer Service	1,167.69
Jim Kockelman	3,000.00
Thomas Kramer	1,369.54
Loffler Business Systems Inc	689.06
LeAnn Manor	278.15
Kay Nerdahl	261.53
Travis Peterson	136.80
Prairie Five CAC Inc	746.18
Amy Rager	352.51
Security Products Co	207.50
Louis Sherlin	172.80
University of MN-Ag Extension Serv	1,617.86
West Central Communications, Inc	161.13
Bonnie Westfield	134.58
John Wiley & Sons	522.83
Payments less than \$100	1,178.49
TOTAL	\$33,450.48

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND

A & J Auto Supply Inc	915.76
Advocate-Tribune	385.00
Computer Professionals Unlimited Inc	338.92
Conrad's Truck & Tractor Repair	538.75
Innovative Office Solutions	141.74
Koch Materials Co Inc	409.18
Lawson Products Inc	218.68
M-R Sign Inc	213.02
Martin Marietta Aggregates	120.58
McLaughlin & Schulz Inc	2,544.68
Midwest Truck & Parts Inc	133.99
Piorier Equipment Co	167.50
Rockmount Research & Alloys Inc	278.02
Runnings Supply, Inc	296.70
Sturdevant's Auto Supply	296.33
Tri-County Coop Oil Company	1,393.00
Vern's Automotive Machine Shop	1,143.03
Widseth, Smith, Nolting, Inc	4,247.06
YM Soil & Water Conservation Dist.	486.25
Payments less than \$100	708.24
TOTAL	\$14,976.43

DITCH FUND

Two Payments less than \$100	36.93
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**FINAL TOTAL**

**\$48,463.84**

Meals & Per diems in the amount of \$762.42 for the Revenue Fund were also presented. Remiger moved to approve payment for the above claims, Anderson seconded motion, all voted in favor.

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Chairperson, Yellow Medicine  
County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

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Carolyn Sherlin, County Auditor  
and Clerk to the County Board