

**Yellow Medicine County Board Meeting Minutes**  
**March 14, 2023**

Chairman Glen Kack called this regular meeting of the Yellow Medicine County Board to order at 9:00 a.m. with Commissioners Ron Antony, Mitch Kling and John Berends also present. Also present were County Administrator Angie Steinbach, County Attorney Mark Gruenes and HR Manager Ashley Soine. Commissioner Greg Renneke was absent.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Approve Agenda 03-14-23-01** Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kling to approve the agenda with the following change: remove hiring of part-time, grand-funded Transition Circle Facilitator (RJ) from the Consent Agenda. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

**Consent Agenda 03-14-23-02** Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve the consent agenda items as follows: February 28, 2023 County Board meeting minutes as amended; 2023 Professional Services Agreement with Brandon Preuss in the amount of \$2,500 for cleaning the pump grate at the CD 54 pump house; permanent status for employee; hiring of Matt Anderson as a part-time, non-scheduled Deputy Sheriff, his salary will be grade 12, step 1, his start date is TBD; replace Social Worker; resignation of Jeff Bush, Highway Maintenance Supervisor; replace Highway Maintenance Supervisor; ESRI Annual ARCGIS Renewal quote in the amount of \$8,181; PrimeWest Health Promissory Note payment in the amount of \$272,392; withdrawal of acceptance of full-time Assistant Custodian Matt Vahlsing. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

**Citizen Comments** None

**Approval of Disbursements/Review Auditor's Warrants 03-14-23-03** Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kling to approve the commissioner warrants for the following amounts: \$28,040.56 Ditch Fund, \$63,069.95 Revenue Fund, \$227,324.55 Road & Bridge Fund, \$76,424.63 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 Berends reported on Upper Minnesota Valley Regional Development Commission, PrimeWest, Area Transportation Partnership, Law Library, Department Head meeting and Countryside Public Health. Commissioner Kack reported on LQP/Yellow Bank watershed meeting, Personnel Committee and agenda review meeting. Commissioner Kling reported on 6W Community Corrections and Pact for Families. Commissioner Antony reported on 6W Community Corrections and Highway meeting.

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**

Ashlie Wubben, Countryside Public Health, discussed the Yellow Medicine County Tobacco Ordinance.

Liz Auch, Countryside Public Health, gave an update.

Sarah Ackerman, Western Mental Health Center, gave a presentation.

The board recessed for break at 10:24 a.m.

The board reconvened at 10:35 a.m.

Dan Moravetz and Tony Sather, Highway Department, gave an update.

**Project SAP 087-639-007 03-14-23-04** Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Antony to approve the low bid from R & G Construction Co. in the amount of \$1,795,384.85 for SAP 087-639-007 (grading, culvert replacement and aggregate surfacing). Three other bids were received. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

**Right of Way Payments 03-14-23-05** Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Kling to approve Resolution #10-2023 for Right of Way Payments in the amount of \$55,381.59. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

**Highway Mower Purchases 03-14-23-06** Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve the purchase of a 2023 New Holland DD108M Disc Mower from Tjosvold Equipment, Inc. in the amount of \$15,000 and a 2023 Kuhn TBD22 Offset Mower from Arnold's in the amount of \$17,000. The amounts do not include trade-in as they will be sold elsewhere. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

**Parks Mower Purchase 03-14-23-07** Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Antony to approve the recommended bid from the Parks Committee from AgPlus in the amount of \$16,564.56 for a new park's mower. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Janel Timm, Property and Public Services Director, gave an update.

**Assessment Contract Rates 03-14-23-08** Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Kling to set assessment contract rates for the 2024, 2025 and 2026 assessment years in the amount of \$12.00 per parcel. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Denny Pederson, IT Coordinator, discussed the board table technology. The board discussed some options and directed Mr. Pederson to research them further.

**Resolution #11-2023 03-14-23-09** Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve Resolution #11-2023 which authorizes Yellow Medicine County staff to execute all necessary documents to ensure Yellow Medicine County participation in the multistate settlements relating to opioid supply chain participants, and in the Minnesota opioids state-subdivision Memorandum of Agreement. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

**Other Business** None

**Informational** None

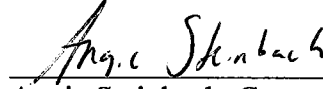
**Review of Upcoming Meetings and Events** The Board reviewed upcoming meetings and events.

**Adjourn 03-14-23-10** Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Kling to adjourn at 11:51 a.m. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Witness:

  
Glen Kack, Chair

Attest:

  
Angie Steinbach, County Administrator