

**Yellow Medicine County Board Meeting Minutes
May 23, 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, Greg Renneke and John Berends also present. Also present were County Administrator Angie Steinbach, County Attorney Mark Gruenes and HR Manager Ashley Soine.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approve Agenda 05-23-23-01 Motion by Commissioner Kling and seconded by Commissioner Antony to approve the agenda with the following addition: Highway building project proposals for land surveying. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Consent Agenda 05-23-23-02 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kling to approve the consent agenda items as follows: May 9, 2023 County Board meeting minutes; permanent status for employees; hiring of Sam Isfeld as a Child Protection Social Worker, his salary will be grade 13, step 3, his start date is TBD; replace Child Support Office position; hiring of Jason Erp as the Seasonal Light Equipment Operator, his salary will be grade 4, step 1, his start date is May 24, 2023. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Citizen Comments None

Approval of Disbursements/Review Auditor's Warrants 05-23-23-03 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve the commissioner warrants for the following amounts: \$10,534.27 Ditch Fund, \$75,223.69 Revenue Fund, \$25,083.67 Road & Bridge Fund, \$152,763.42 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 State Finance Committee, Highway building meeting, Minnesota Valley Regional Railroad Authority, Chemical Health Coalition and Counties Providing Technology. Commissioner Kling reported on Western Minnesota Prairie Waters, Pioneerland Library System, Department Head meeting and Lincoln Pipestone Rural Water. Commissioner Renneke reported on DNR Landowners meeting. Commissioner Kack reported on CEE-VI Task Force, Prairie Five and Western Mental Health Center. Commissioner Berends reported on DNR Landowners meeting, Countryside Public Health, Yellowstone Trail and Prairie Lakes.

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

Gerd Clabaugh, MCIT Executive Director, gave the 2023 MCIT Report.

The board recessed for break at 10:03 a.m.

The board reconvened at 10:15 a.m.

Commissioner Renneke left the meeting.

Rae Ann Keeler-Aus, Family Services, presented to the board.

Resolution #13-2023 05-23-23-04 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve Resolution #13-2023 which establishes a Personnel Administration System for Yellow Medicine County effective January 1, 2024. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Commissioner Renneke joined the meeting.

Joseph Caruso, Summit Carbon Solutions, presented to the board.

Resolution #14-2023 05-23-23-05 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve Resolution #14-2023 which elects to not participate in the official planning process for the Redwood River Watershed One Watershed One Plan. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Engineering Services Agreement 05-23-23-06 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Renneke to approve a one-month extension to the Engineering Services Agreement with Jeremy Gilb, Chippewa County Engineer, through June 30, 2023. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Highway Building Project 05-23-23-07 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Kling to approve the quote from Sunde Land Surveying for the Highway Department building project (boundary, location, topographic and utility survey). Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Out of Class Pay 05-23-23-08 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kling to approve out of class pay for Dan Moravetz, Assistant County Engineer, beginning June 5, 2023 at grade 21, step 2. 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 05-23-23-09 Motion by Commissioner Kling and seconded by Commissioner Berends to adjourn at 11:37 a.m. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Witness

Glen Kack, Chair

Attest:

Angie Steinbach, County Administrator