

**Yellow Medicine County Board Meeting Minutes**  
**May 26, 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 and Gary Johnson also present 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 May 26, 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 05-26-20-01** Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve the agenda with the following change: remove Letter of Support for the 2020 Federal Build Grant for Minnesota Valley Regional Railroad Modernization Project from the Regular Agenda. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Commissioner Glen Kack joined the meeting.

**Consent Agenda 05-26-20-02** Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve the consent agenda items as follows: May 12, 2020 County Board meeting minutes; May 15, 2020 Emergency Board meeting minutes; Workforce Development Area #6 Southwest Minnesota Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Joint Powers Agreement for the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2022; consideration of permanent status for employee; approve the quote from Ethan Weber Construction LLC in the amount of \$5,808 to finish the salt shed roof at the Clarkfield Highway shop (no other quotes were received). Motion carried with all voting in favor.

**Citizen Comments** None

**Approval of Disbursements/Review Auditor's Warrants 05-26-20-03** Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Renneke to approve the commissioner warrants for the following amounts: \$19,492.05 Ditch Fund, \$71,063.01 Revenue Fund, \$109,708.66 Road & Bridge Fund, \$40,772.95 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 Kack reported on May 15, 2020 Emergency Board Meeting, Western Mental Health Center and Fair Board. Commissioner Antony reported on May 15, 2020 Emergency Board Meeting, ad hoc COVID-19 meetings, Minnesota Valley Regional Railroad Authority, Counties Providing Technology, JD 21 meeting and JD 91 meeting. Commissioner Johnson reported on May 15, 2020 Emergency Board Meeting, Parks Committee, old Clarkfield school update, Upper Minnesota Valley Regional Development Commission, Prairie Five and Prairie Lakes Youth Program. Commissioner Renneke reported on May 15, 2020 Emergency Board Meeting, Parks Committee, JD 21, JD 8 and JD 91. Commissioner Berends reported on May 15, 2020 Emergency Board Meeting, ad hoc COVID-19 meetings, Department Head meeting, Countryside Public Health Regular Meeting, Countryside Public Health Emergency Meeting, Community Emergency Management meetings, JD 8, JD 21, Historical Society and Recycling Site meeting.