

**Yellow Medicine County Board Meeting Minutes
May 27, 2025**

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda 05-27-25-01 Motion by Commissioner Kling and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve the agenda. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Consent Agenda 05-27-25-02 Motion by Commissioner Kling and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve the consent agenda items as follows: May 13, 2025 County Board meeting minutes; May 13, 2025 County Board Special Meeting minutes; temporary 3-day liquor license for the Granite Falls Western Fest Community Celebration; hiring of Andrew Bach as a Seasonal Light Equipment Operator, his salary will be grade 4, step 1, his start date is May 28, 2025. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Citizen Comments None

Delaney Tersteeg, Family Services Intern, was introduced to the board.

Approval of Disbursements/Review Auditor's Warrants 05-27-25-03 Motion by Commissioner Kack and seconded by Commissioner Kling to approve the commissioner warrants for the following amounts: \$15,236.36 Ditch Fund, \$99,240.49 Revenue Fund, \$42,092.62 Road & Bridge Fund, \$57,397.43 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 Kling reported on Restorative Justice Advisory Committee, Pioneerland Library System, Soil and Water Conservation District, Special Board meeting and Department Head meeting. Commissioner Renneke reported on a citizen concern and Special Board meeting. Commissioner Kack reported on Prairie Five, CEE-VI Drug and Gang Task Force, Special Board meeting and Western Mental Health Center. Commissioner Berends reported on Countryside Public Health, Special Board meeting and Prairie Lakes Youth Program.

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

Rae Ann Keeler-Aus, Family Services, gave an update.

Sherri Stamps, Wing-Bain Funeral Home and Kyle TeBeest, Anderson TeBeest Funeral Home, were in attendance to discuss the County Burial Policy.

County Burial Policy 05-27-25-04 Motion by Commissioner Kling and seconded by Commissioner Kack to table the proposed amendments to the County Burial Policy to the June 24, 2025 board meeting. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Robin Schoep, Financial Assistance Supervisor, gave an update on the 2024 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Management Evaluation Review Report.

The board recessed for break at 10:27 a.m.

The board reconvened at 10:37 a.m.

Brian Rosenau, County Assessor, gave an update.

Tax Abatement 05-27-25-05 Motion by Commissioner Kack and seconded by Commissioner Renneke to approve the tax abatement request for parcel number 14-024-1011, Minnesota DNR, due to an incorrectly applied exempt status application. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Assessment Contracts 05-27-25-06 Motion by Commissioner Kling and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve the Assessment Contracts for Fortier Township, Posen Township, Minnesota Falls Township, City of Hazel Run and City of Hanley Falls for the 2026, 2027 and 2028 assessment years at a rate of \$13 per parcel. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Dana Homan, Finance Manager, gave a budget update.

Other Business None

Informational None

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

Adjourn 05-27-25-07 Motion by Commissioner Kack and seconded by Commissioner Kling to adjourn at 11:19 a.m. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Witness:



John Berends, Chair

Attest:



Angie Steinbach, County Administrator