

Yellow Medicine County Board Meeting Minutes
May 8, 2018

Vice Chairman Greg Renneke called this regular meeting of the Yellow Medicine County Board to order at 9:00 a.m. with Commissioners Glen Kack, Gary Johnson, Greg Renneke and John Berends present. Also present were County Administrator Peg Heglund, County Attorney Keith Helgeson, Finance and Administration Deputy Ashley Soine, Granite Falls Advocate Tribune reporter Kyle Klausing and Marshall Independent reporter Jody Isaackson. Commissioner Ron Antony was absent.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approve Agenda 05-08-18-01 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve the agenda with the following additions: add resignation of Kyler Jelen as full-time Correctional Officer/Dispatcher (stay part-time); add replacement of full-time Correctional Officer/Dispatcher; add discussion on jail staffing; add introduction of Kelsey Sorenson, Restorative Justice Intern. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Consent Agenda 05-08-18-02 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve the consent agenda items as follows: April 24, 2018 County Board meeting minutes; Esri Inc. software maintenance renewal; hiring of Jaime Niemeyer as a part-time, non-scheduled Correctional Officer/Dispatcher, her salary will be grade 12, step 1, her start date is May 11, 2018; resignation of Kyler Jelen as full-time Correctional Officer/Dispatcher (stay part-time); replacement of full-time Correctional Officer/Dispatcher. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Bill Flaten and Wayne DeBlicek, Sheriff's Department, discussed jail staffing. The Personnel Committee will meet in the near future to discuss options.

Citizen Comments None

Kelsey Sorenson, Restorative Justice Intern, was introduced to the board.

Approval of Disbursements/Review Auditor's Warrants 05-08-18-03 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve the commissioner warrants for the following amounts: \$13,457.40 Ditch Fund, \$33,034.26 Revenue Fund, \$17,582.51 Road & Bridge Fund, \$74,757.07 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 Area II/RCRCA. Commissioner Berends reported on the Minnesota Machinery Museum annual meeting, Prairie Waters, Southern Prairie Community Care, broadband meeting with Senator Klobuchar, child care meeting, Family Nurse Partnership and Personnel Committee. Commissioner Johnson reported on the Upper Minnesota Valley Regional Development Commission, meeting with Swift County to discuss the Highway Engineer contract, 6W Community Corrections, Prairie Five, Prairie Grain Partners information, Clarkfield city-wide clean-up update and damage to Clarkfield school. Commissioner Renneke reported on the Personnel Committee, Minnesota Machinery Museum annual meeting, child care meeting and the Employee Recognition Event.

Administrator Heglund's report included meetings attended, NJPA and Health Partners insurance meeting and upcoming Finance Committee meeting. Administrator Heglund's report is included in the Board packet.

Regular Agenda

Janel Timm, Property & Public Services Director and Connie Erickson, Assessor, presented on the countywide Tax Increment Financing (TIF) district inventory.

Request for waiver of timelines for new TIF in Canby 05-08-18-04 John Meyer, Financial Consultant for the city of Canby requested a waiver from the required 30 days for citizen's comments and that the city be authorized to limit the comment period to 28 days. Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve the request as presented. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

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

The board reconvened at 10:47 a.m.

Temporary Assistance at the Highway Department 05-08-18-05 Motion by Commissioner Kack and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve temporary assistance at the Highway Department from now until approx. mid-November. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Andy Sander, Highway Engineer, discussed a future road tour with the board. It was scheduled for June 12, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.

Close Meeting 05-08-18-06 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kack to close the meeting at 10:59 a.m. The meeting was closed under Minnesota Statute 13D.05 subd. 3 (b) to discuss a pending claim resulting from a slip and fall incident on county property and there is threatened or pending litigation therefrom and need to close the meeting to discuss the litigation with the County Attorney. Those present were the County Board members, County Administrator Peggy Heglund, County Attorney Keith Helgeson, County Finance and Administration Deputy Ashley Soine and Planning & Zoning/Ditch Administrator Chris Balfany. Jeff Hentges from MCIT joined by phone.

Vice Chairman Renneke opened the meeting at 11:42 a.m.

Settlement 05-08-18-07 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kack to give MCIT the authorization to offer the settlement for the slip and fall claim as suggested by MCIT. Motion carried with Commissioner Berends, Kack and Renneke voting in favor and Commissioner Johnson voting against.

Close Meeting 05-08-18-08 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Berends to close the meeting at 11:45 a.m. The meeting was closed under Minnesota Statute 13D.05 subd. 3 (c) to consider an offer relating to the County's possible purchase of land (parcel #31-418-5502). Those present were the County Board members, County Administrator Peggy Heglund, County Attorney Keith Helgeson and County Finance and Administration Deputy Ashley Soine.

Vice Chairman Renneke opened the meeting at 12:12 p.m.

No action was taken on the purchase of property. Administrator Heglund will be bringing back some more information for the board.

The board recessed for lunch at 12:13 p.m.

The board reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

Department/Program Updates

The update from the Yellow Medicine County Historical Society was tabled to a future meeting.

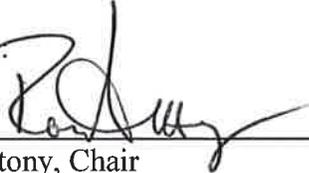
Connie Erickson, Assessor, gave an update.

Other Business None

Informational March Jail Report

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

Adjourn 05-08-18-09 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Kack to adjourn at 1:50 p.m. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Witness: 

Ron Antony, Chair

Attest: 

Peggy Heglund, County Administrator