

**Yellow Medicine County Board Meeting Minutes
November 28, 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 and HR Manager Ashley Soine.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approve Agenda 11-28-23-01 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Kling to approve the agenda. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Consent Agenda 11-28-23-02 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Renneke to approve the consent agenda items as follows: November 14, 2023 County Board meeting minutes; Crisis Transportation Agreement with Avera Granite Falls; hiring of Jake Erickson as a Deputy Assessor/Appraiser, his salary will be grade 12, step 4, his start date is December 18, 2023; Crossing Surface Installation Agreement with BNSF Railway. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Citizen Comments None

Andrea Loose, Social Worker, was introduced to the board.

Approval of Disbursements/Review Auditor's Warrants 11-28-23-03 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Kling to approve the commissioner warrants for the following amounts: \$63,535.62 Ditch Fund, \$122,429.26 Revenue Fund, \$81,355.71 Road & Bridge Fund, \$157,213.95 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 Antony reported on Pioneerland Library System, Chemical Health Coalition, Emergency Communication Board, Minnesota Valley Regional Railroad Authority, Canby DAC and Counties Providing Technology. Commissioner Kling reported on Soil and Water Conservation District and Lincoln Pipestone Rural Water. Commissioner Renneke had no reports. Commissioner Kack reported on Prairie Five and Canby DAC. Commissioner Berends reported on 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

ITC Letter of Support 11-28-23-04 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Kling to approve the Letter of Support for Interstate Telecommunications Company (ITC). Motion carried with all voting in favor.

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

Countryside Public Health 11-28-23-05 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve the 2024 Purchase of Service contract with Countryside Public Health. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Child Support Cooperative Agreement 11-28-23-06 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve the 2024-2025 Title IV-D Child Support Cooperative Agreement between DHS, Family Services, County Attorney and Sheriff Department. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Canby DAC 11-28-23-07 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve the 2024-2025 Purchase of Service contract with the Canby DAC for Day Training and Habilitation Services. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Presbyterian Family Foundation 11-28-23-08 Motion by Commissioner Kling and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve the 2024 Purchase of Service Contract with Presbyterian Family Foundation for Guardian and Conservator services. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Project Turnabout 11-28-23-09 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Renneke to approve the 2024 Purchase of Service Host County Contract with Project Turnabout for Detoxification and Care Coordination Supervision Services. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Transportation Purchase of Service Agreement 11-28-23-10 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve the Purchase of Service Agreement for 2024-2025 Transportation of Children and Youth in Foster Care Placement with Independent School District #2167-Lakeview Schools, Independent School District #4026-07- Echo Charter School, Independent School District #891- Canby Schools and Independent School District #2190- Yellow Medicine East Schools. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

PACT for Families Collaborative 11-28-23-11 Motion by Commissioner Renneke and seconded by Commissioner Kling to approve the 2024 Fiscal Host Interagency Agreement with PACT for Families Collaborative. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Resolution #41-2023 11-28-23-12 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Antony to approve Resolution #41-2023 for final payment to R and G Construction Company in the amount of \$95,252.30 for the final contract amount totaling \$1,887,091.06 for Project S.A.P. 087-639-007. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Resolution #42-2023 11-28-23-13 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve Resolution #42-2023 for final payment to Sir Lines-A-Lot, LLC in the amount of \$5,451.28 for the final contract amount totaling \$109,025.56 for Project S.P. 087-070-019. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Resolution #48-2023 11-28-23-14 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Renneke to approve Resolution #48-2023 for final payment to Structural Specialties, Inc. in the amount of \$31,970.42 for the final contract amount totaling \$540,718.30 for Project S.A.P. 087-603-032. Motion carried with all voting in favor. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Resolution #43-2023 11-28-23-15 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Kling to approve Resolution #43-2023 for Local Road Improvement Program (LRIP) funds for CSAH 30. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Resolution #46-2023 11-28-23-16 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kling to approve Resolution #46-2023 for Local Road Improvement Program (LRIP) funds for 11th Avenue improvements in Stony Run Township. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Resolution #47-2023 11-28-23-17 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Antony to approve Resolution #47-2023 for Local Road Improvement Program (LRIP) funds for Hacker Heights improvements in Stony Run Township. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Resolution #45-2023 11-28-23-18 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Kling to approve Resolution #45-2023 for Local Road Improvement Program (LRIP) funds for improvements in the City of Wood Lake. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Resolution #44-2023 11-28-23-19 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Kling to approve Resolution #44-2023 for Local Road Improvement Program (LRIP) funds for improvements in the City of Hanley Falls. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Resolution #40-2023 11-28-23-20 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kling to approve Resolution #40-2023 which authorizes sponsorship of trails for the Snowdrifters of Montevideo, Inc. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

The board recessed for break at 10:34 a.m.

The board reconvened at 10:48 a.m.

Ashley Soine, HR Manager, discussed Emergency Safe and Sick Leave.

Dana Homan, Finance Manager, discussed the budget.

Contract with Ehlers 11-28-23-21 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve the Arbitrage Consulting Services Contract with Ehlers. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

2024 Salary for Non-union Employees 11-28-23-22 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve a 3.5% cost of living adjustment in 2024 for non-union employees. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Resolution #50-2023 for 2024 Commissioner Per Diem 11-28-23-23 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve Resolution #50-2023 which sets the 2024 per diems paid to Commissioners for other meetings attended at a maximum of \$200/day (no change from 2023). Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Resolution #51-2023 and 2024 Salary for Commissioners 11-28-23-24 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve a 0% COLA for Commissioners and Resolution #51-2023 which establishes 2024 compensation amounts for Yellow Medicine County Commissioners. Commissioner salary will be \$25,603 annually and the Chairperson will receive \$26,803 annually (\$1,200 more than base Commissioner salary). Motion carried with Commissioner Antony, Berends and Kack voting in favor and Commissioner Renneke and Kling voting against.

Resolution #52-2023 and 2024 Salary for Attorney 11-28-23-25 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kling to approve Resolution #52-2023 which establishes 2024 compensation amounts for Yellow Medicine County Attorney. Attorney salary will be \$133,322.25 annually. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

2024 Salary for Sheriff 11-28-23-26 Motion by Commissioner Renneke to approve the 2024 salary for the Sheriff at \$134,849.88. Motion failed due to lack of a second.

Resolution #53-2023 and 2024 Salary for Sheriff 11-28-23-27 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Antony to approve Resolution #53-2023 which establishes 2024 compensation amounts for Yellow Medicine County Sheriff. Sheriff salary will be \$127,305 annually. 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 11-28-23-28 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kling to adjourn at 12:13 p.m. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Witness:



Glen Kack, Chair

Attest:



Angie Steinbach, County Administrator