

**Yellow Medicine County Board Meeting Minutes
October 13, 2020**

Chairman John Berends called this regular meeting of the Yellow Medicine County Board to order at 9:00 a.m. with Commissioners Greg Renneke, Glen Kack, Ron Antony 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) and Advocate Tribune reporter Jess Gorman. 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 October 13, 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 10-13-20-01 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve the agenda. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Consent Agenda 10-13-20-02 Motion by Commissioner Kack and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve the consent agenda items as follows: September 22, 2020 County Board meeting minutes; 2021 SSTS Program Grant Agreement; approval of CARES funds for Attorney's Office (integration project); hiring of Gary Ostendorf as a part-time Assistant Custodian, his salary will be grade 4, step 1, his start date is October 14, 2020; hiring of Chris Blanchette as a Heavy Equipment Operator, his salary will be grade 8, step 4, his start date is October 14, 2020; hiring of Dana Homan as the Finance Manager, her salary will be grade 16, step 10, her start date is October 20, 2020; resignation of Nancy Chasteen, U of M Administrative Secretary. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Citizen Comments None

Approval of Disbursements/Review Auditor's Warrants 10-13-20-03 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Antony to approve the commissioner warrants for the following amounts: \$99,282.67 Ditch Fund, \$48,110.32 Revenue Fund, \$98,180.39 Road & Bridge Fund, \$81,961.66 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 Parks Committee, Counties Providing Technology, Personnel Committee, Emergency Communication Board and Ad Hoc COVID-19 meetings. Commissioner Renneke had no reports. Commissioner Kack reported on SW18 Adult Mental Health Annual Meeting, Area II/RCRCA and Revolving Loan Fund. Commissioner Johnson reported on Revolving Loan Fund, Upper Minnesota Valley Regional Development Commission, Prairie Five, Area Transportation meeting and 6W Community Corrections. Commissioner Berends reported on Personnel Committee, Ad Hoc COVID-19 meetings, Audit meeting, Countryside Public Health, PrimeWest, Department Head meeting and Yellow Stone Trail.

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

Kris Holien, Veterans Service Office, gave an update.