

**Yellow Medicine County Board Meeting Minutes  
October 24, 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, County Attorney Mark Gruenes and HR Manager Ashley Soine.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Approve Agenda 10-24-23-01** Motion by Commissioner Kling and seconded by Commissioner Antony to approve the agenda. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

**Consent Agenda 10-24-23-02** Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Kling to approve the consent agenda items as follows: October 10, 2023 County Board meeting minutes; hiring of Andrea Loose as a Social Worker, her salary will be grade 13, step 1, her start date is October 30, 2023; resignation of Gail Rohlik, Property & Public Services Deputy; replace Property & Public Services Deputy position. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

**Regular Agenda**

Jake Wollensak and John McNamara, Wold Architects & Engineers, discussed the Highway Department building project.

**Highway Building Project 10-24-23-03** Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Renneke to approve moving forward with the Highway Department Phase I building project. Motion carried with Commissioner Antony, Renneke, Berends and Kack voting in favor and Commissioner Kling voting against.

**Citizen Comments** None

**Approval of Disbursements/Review Auditor's Warrants 10-24-23-04** Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve the commissioner warrants for the following amounts: \$114,675.22 Ditch Fund, \$96,114.64 Revenue Fund, \$24,105.35 Road & Bridge Fund, \$32,616.45 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 Prairie Five. Commissioner Berends reported on Department Head meeting, Area Transportation Partnership, Yellowstone Trail and Prairie Lakes. Commissioner Antony reported on Counties Providing Technology, Pioneerland Library System, Chemical Health Coalition, Lyon County Landfill, Minnesota Valley Regional Railroad Authority, Emergency Communication Board and LQP One Watershed One Plan. Commissioner Kling reported on Historical Society and Lincoln Pipestone Rural Water. Commissioner Renneke had no reports.

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 (continued)**

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

Kimberly Holm, Southwest 18 Adult Mental Health Consortium Executive Director, presented to the board.

**Southwest 18 Mental Health Consortium 10-24-23-05** Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve funding of \$20,000 to the Southwest 18 Mental Health Consortium. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

**Purchase of Service Contract 10-24-23-06** Motion by Commissioner Kling and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve the 2024 Purchase of Service Contract with Woodland Centers for adult and child crisis services. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

**Service Agreement 10-24-23-07** Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve the 2024-2025 County and Tribal Nation MFIP (Minnesota Family Investment Plan) Biennial Service Agreement. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

**Agreement for Services 10-24-23-08** Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kling to approve the Agreement for Services with New Life Treatment Center for detox services. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

**Statewide Affordable Housing Aid 10-24-23-09** Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to accept the Statewide Affordable Housing Aid in the amount of \$86,325 for Yellow Medicine County. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Patrick McCarthy, Summit Carbon Solutions, presented to the board.

Pam Rosenau and Tim Johnson, MVTW Wireless, presented to the board.

**Resolution #36-2023 10-24-23-10** Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve Resolution #36-2023 concerning Turnback of MN 67 and MN 274. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

The board recessed for break at 10:54 a.m.

The board reconvened at 11:05 a.m.

Wendy Kruger, MN DNR, discussed a proposed land acquisition.

**Resolution #37-2023 10-24-23-11** Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Renneke to approve Resolution #37-2023 which approves the Acquisition Proposal from Eunice Bue Heirs to Minnesota Department of Natural Resources- Division of Wildlife contingent upon review of 50 foot right of way on the proposed property. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

**Government Center Cameras 10-24-23-12** Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Kling to approve the quote from Backes Technology Services, Inc. in the amount of \$4,102.70 to install five cameras outside of the Government Center. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

**Solid Waste JPA 10-24-23-13** Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Renneke to approve the Joint Powers Agreement for Solid Waste Program Services with Lyon County. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Dana Homan, Finance Manager, gave a budget update.

Jessica Isfeld, Finance & Administration Deputy, was introduced to the board.

Layne Kockelman, Abdo, presented information on the 2022 audit.

**Other Business** None

**Informational** None

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

**Adjourn 10-24-23-14** Motion by Commissioner Kling and seconded by Commissioner Renneke to adjourn at 12:15 p.m. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Witness:  
  
Glen Kack, Chair

Attest:  
  
Angie Steinbach, County Administrator