

**Yellow Medicine County Board Meeting Minutes
October 27, 2015**

Vice-Chairman John Berends called this regular meeting of the Yellow Medicine County Board to order at 9:00 a.m. with Commissioners Gary Johnson, Ron Antony and John Berends present. Also present were County Administrator Peg Heglund, County Attorney Keith Helgeson, Finance and Administration Deputy Ashley Soine and Advocate Tribune reporter Scott Tedrick. Absent were Chairman Greg Renneke and Commissioner Louis Sherlin.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approve Agenda 10-27-15-01 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve the agenda with the following additions: add resolution #30-2015 to approve the Master Subscriber Agreement for Minnesota Court Data Services for Governmental agencies to the Consent Agenda and add 2016 budget discussion to the Regular Agenda. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Consent Agenda 10-27-15-02 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Antony to approve the consent agenda items as follows: approval of the October 13, 2015 County Board meeting minutes; resignation of Sarah Brustuen, Social Worker; replacement of Social Worker; hiring of Rita Christianson as a part-time, non-scheduled Receptionist in the Sheriff's Office, her salary will be grade 6, step 1 at \$11.05 per hour, her start date is October 15, 2015; final payment to Road Reclaimers, Inc. in the amount of \$1,423.44 for project S.A.P. 087-634-003 and resolution #28-2015; additional appropriation request: Zoning; IT Policy: password security updates and retention schedule for e-mail folders; Resolution #30-2015 to approve the Master Subscriber Agreement for Minnesota Court Data Services for Governmental agencies. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Citizen Comments None

Commissioners' Report

Commissioner Johnson reported on Department Head training, Restorative Justice Advisory Committee, Out of Home Placement meeting, Open Enrollment meeting, Prairie Five Community Action and Milan Bridge discussion. Commissioner Antony reported on Emergency Communication meeting, Pioneerland Library and Workforce Council. Commissioner Berends reported on Technology Committee, Judicial Ditch 8, Historical Society, Minnesota Valley Regional Railroad Authority, Southern Prairie Community Care and citizen complaints (13th Street).

Administrator Heglund reported on a possible ordinance to allow ATVs, golf carts, mini-trucks, etc. on county roads and inviting local legislators to an upcoming board meeting.

Regular Agenda

Open Public Hearing 10-27-15-03 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to open the public hearing at 10:03 a.m. to set the 2016 ditch levy. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Those in attendance were Planning & Zoning/Ditch Administrator Chris Balfany, Finance Manager Michelle May, Byron Kosen, June Kosen, Irvin Willander and Stan Homan.

Close Public Hearing 10-27-15-04 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Antony to close the public hearing at 10:24 a.m. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

2016 Ditch Levy 10-27-15-05 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve the 2016 ditch levy as presented. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

The Board discussed the difference in cost for Outlet Fees between Lac Qui Parle and Yellow Medicine County when there is a Joint Ditch. The two counties will discuss this further at a Joint Ditch meeting.

The Board discussed the structural repairs/changes needed at the Clarkfield offices and Hazmat building. Administrator Heglund will contact Sentence to Serve to check their availability to complete the work.

The Board recessed for break at 10:47 a.m.

The Board reconvened at 10:53 a.m.

Earl Fuechtmann and Mitch Paulsen, Contegrity Group, Inc., gave an update on the Justice Center.

Appleton Prison Resolution #29-2015 10-27-15-06 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to support the Appleton Prison Resolution #29-2015. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Michelle May, Bette Schweer and Brenda Peterson gave a budget update on quarter three.

The Board discussed the 2016 budget.

The Board recessed for lunch at 12:04 p.m.

The Board reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

Department/Program Updates

Rae Ann Keeler-Aus, Family Service Center Director, gave an update.

Family Service Center Intern 10-27-15-07 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve Nicole Bennett as an intern in the Family Service Center starting in January 2016. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Sharon Hendrichs and Jessi Jeppesen, Restorative Justice, gave an update.

Michelle Gatz, Veterans Service Officer, gave an update.

Approval of Disbursements/Review Auditor's Warrants 10-27-15-08 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Antony to approve the commissioner warrants for the following amounts: \$1,875.47 Ditch Fund, \$506,298.36 Revenue Fund, \$55,936.03 Road & Bridge Fund, \$34,168.83 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.

Other Business None

Informational None

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

Adjourn Vice-Chairman Berends adjourned the meeting at 2:39 p.m.

Witness:



John Berends, Vice Chair

Attest:



Peg Heglund, Administrator