

**Yellow Medicine County Board Meeting Minutes
October 28, 2025**

Chairman John Berends called this regular meeting of the Yellow Medicine County Board to order at 9:00 a.m. with Commissioners Ron Antony, Glen Kack, Greg Renneke and Mitch Kling also present. Also present were County Administrator Angie Steinbach, County Attorney Mark Gruenes and HR Manager Ashley Soine.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda 10-28-25-01 Motion by Commissioner Kling and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve the agenda. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Consent Agenda 10-28-25-02 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Kling to approve the consent agenda items as follows: October 14, 2025 County Board meeting minutes; County Fairgrounds Property Management quarterly update and payment request in the amount of \$1,833 from EMK Properties, LLC; hiring of Isabella Sieling as the full-time, grant funded Restorative Practices Facilitator, her salary will be grade 13, step 2, her start date is TBD; replace Restorative Justice Program Assistant position. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Citizen Comments None

Stephanie Edwards, Social Worker, was introduced to the board.

Approval of Disbursements/Review Auditor's Warrants 10-28-25-03 Motion by Commissioner Kack and seconded by Commissioner Antony to approve the commissioner warrants for the following amounts: \$27,857.15 Ditch Fund, \$78,938.50 Revenue Fund, \$18,839.50 Road & Bridge Fund, \$30,644.73 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 Chemical Health Coalition, AMC District Meeting, Minnesota Valley Regional Railroad Authority, Canby DAC, Southwest Minnesota Private Industry Council, Housing and Redevelopment Authority and State Radio Board. Commissioner Kling reported on AMC District Meeting, Planning Commission, Historical Society and Lincoln Pipestone Rural Water. Commissioner Renneke reported on Prairie Lakes. Commissioner Kack reported on Canby DAC, Western Mental Health Center and Area II/RCRCA. Commissioner Berends reported on AMC District Meeting.

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

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

SW PIC Purchase of Service Contract 10-28-25-04 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Renneke to approve the Southwest Minnesota Regional MFIP, DWP and SNAP Employment and Training Purchase of Service Contract for January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2027. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Woodland Centers Purchase of Service Contract 10-28-25-05 Motion by Commissioner Kack and seconded by Commissioner Kling to approve the Woodland Centers Adult Crisis Stabilization Services and Youth Crisis Stabilization Services Purchase of Service Contract. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Assessment Contract 10-28-25-06 Motion by Commissioner Kling and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve the Assessment Contract for the City of Wood Lake for assessment years 2026, 2027 and 2028. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

The board recessed for break at 9:45 a.m.

The board reconvened at 9:59 a.m.

Conditional Use Permit Request YM-653-25, G and L, LLC, New York, NY 10-28-25-07

Jolene Johnson, Planning & Zoning Coordinator, presented a recommendation from the Planning Commission to operate an indoor cannabis cultivation facility. The site is located in the Urban Expansion Management District, on parcel #21-028-1020; in the northeast one-quarter of the northeast one-quarter (NE¼ NE¼) of Section 28 in Wood Lake Township T-114-N R-39-W. A conditional use permit is required from the Yellow Medicine County Cannabis Oriented Business and Land Use Ordinance, Section 3, Subdivision 3.2.1, which requires Cannabis cultivation operations located in the Urban Expansion Management District to obtain a Conditional Use permit

Motion by Commissioner Kling and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve Conditional Use Permit YM-653-25 for G and L, LLC with the following conditions:

1. No processing, manufacturing or retail sale of products will be allowed on this Conditional Use permit.
2. All requirements of Minnesota Office of Cannabis Management Rule 9810 and all appendages pursuant to Minnesota Statute 342 shall be followed, as well as provisions of the Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry, and other applicable state and local agencies.
3. The applicant must have an approved state license within one year. If this condition is not met, the request shall be deemed null and void. The Zoning Coordinator is authorized to extend that period for good cause shown.
4. A new Conditional Use permit application shall be required if additional facilities are required for business expansion.
5. Applicant must provide proof of compliance with State Building Code and State Fire Code to the Yellow Medicine County Land and Resource Management Office.
6. A security fence, with a minimum height of 8', must be installed around the perimeter of the site.
7. A camera system shall be installed and must be available to law enforcement within 12 hours of being requested. Camera recorder must be capable of saving recordings for a minimum of 7 days consecutively.
8. The applicant shall notify the Yellow Medicine County Land and Resource Management Office if the operation ceases or if ownership or management changes. A new Conditional Use permit must be obtained if ownership of the cannabis business changes.
9. There shall be no signage/advertising on or around the exterior of the buildings.
10. Applicant must establish a registering agent for service of process in the State of Minnesota, and submit that information to the Yellow Medicine County Land and Resource Management Office.

Motion carried with Commissioner Kling, Kack, Antony and Berends voting in favor and Commissioner Renneke voting against.

Dana Homan, Finance Manager, gave a budget update.

Heritage Haven Donation 10-28-25-08 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Kling to approve a one-time donation in the amount of \$3,000 to Heritage Haven in Montevideo, MN once services begin (using state aid housing dollars). Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Close Meeting 10-28-25-09 Motion by Commissioner Kling and seconded by Commissioner Antony to close the meeting at 11:48 a.m. The meeting was closed under Minnesota Statute 13D.05 to discuss labor negotiations. Those present were the County Board members, County Administrator Angie Steinbach, Finance Manager Dana Homan, County Attorney Mark Gruenes and Human Resources Manager Ashley Soine. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Open Meeting 10-28-25-10 Motion by Commissioner Kling and seconded by Commissioner Kack to open the meeting at 12:27 p.m. 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.

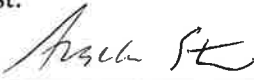
Adjourn 10-28-25-11 Motion by Commissioner Kack and seconded by Commissioner Kling to adjourn at 12:28 p.m. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Witness:



John Berends, Chair

Attest:



Angie Steinbach, County Administrator

