

**YELLOW MEDICINE COUNTY BOARD MEETING MINUTES****OCTOBER 8, 2024**

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

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Approve Agenda 10-08-24-01** Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve the agenda with the following change: remove HRA overseeing the MN City Participation Program for Yellow Medicine County from the Regular Agenda. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

**Consent Agenda 10-08-24-02** Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve the consent agenda items as follows: September 24, 2024 County Board meeting minutes; Master Subscription Agreement, Business Associate Agreement and Participation Agreement with Enterprise Appeal Solution (EAS) and Collective Medical Technologies, Inc.; Cisco Firewall Threat Defense and URL Filtering Yearly Renewal with Morris Electronics, Inc. in the amount of \$10,671.46; RSA Additional 45 User Licensing for Multifactor Authentication from Morris Electronics, Inc. in the amount of \$7,845.30; KUE Contractors Inc. Pay Application #5 in the amount of \$98,046.65 and #6 in the amount of \$80,404.20; hiring of Justin Aurelius as a full-time Assistant Custodian, his salary will be grade 4, step 7, his start date is October 14, 2024; hiring of Isabella Sieling as the Restorative Justice Program Assistant, her salary will be grade 13, step 1, her start date is October 9, 2024; hiring of Melissa Millican as a part-time Administrative Specialist (Family Services), her salary will be grade 7, step 7, her start date is TBD. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

**Citizen Comments** None

**Approval of Disbursements/Review Auditor's Warrants 10-08-24-03** Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve the commissioner warrants for the following amounts: \$62,917.56 Ditch Fund, \$283,533.57 Revenue Fund, \$249,448.54 Road & Bridge Fund, \$78,337.35 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.

Commissioner Kling joined the meeting.

**Commissioners' Report** Commissioner Berends reported on County Ditch meetings, Upper Minnesota Valley Regional Development Commission, Countryside Public Health, PrimeWest Health and Area Transportation Partnership. Commissioner Kack reported on County Ditch meetings, Western Mental Health Center and Area II/RCRCA. Commissioner Renneke reported on County Ditch meetings and Solid Waste meeting. Commissioner Kling reported on County Ditch meetings and Soil and Water Conservation District. Commissioner Antony reported on County Ditch meetings, 6W Community Corrections and Emergency Communication Board meetings.

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**

**Southwest 18 JPA 10-08-24-04** Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kling to approve the Joint Powers Agreement with the Southwestern Minnesota Adult Mental Health Consortium. Motion

carried with all voting in favor.

**Open Public Hearing 10-08-24-05** Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kack to open the public hearing at 10:00 a.m. for the Highway Department Five-Year Road Construction Plan. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

**Close Public Hearing 10-08-24-06** Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to close the public hearing at 10:24 a.m. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

**Five-Year Road Construction Plan 10-08-24-07** Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve the Highway Department Five-Year Road Construction Plan as presented. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

**Resolution #27-2024 10-08-24-08** Motion by Commissioner Kling and seconded by Commissioner Antony to approve Resolution #27-2024 which approves the prioritized bridge replacement list. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Megan DeSchepper, MnDOT Planning Director for District 8, discussed the Ten-Year Capital Highway Investment Plan for District 8.

The board recessed for break at 10:35 a.m.

The board reconvened at 10:53 a.m.

Dan Moravetz and Andy Lee, Highway Department, gave an update.

**Tree Removal Quotes 10-08-24-09** Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve the low quote from 2 Tree Fellers LLC in the amount of \$2,800 for the removal of two trees in the Family Services parking lot (no stump grinding). One other quote was received. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Kris Holien, Veterans Service Office, gave an update.

**MN Rural Counties 10-08-24-10** Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Kling to table the request for Yellow Medicine County to join Minnesota Rural Counties. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Dana Homan, Finance Manager, gave an update on the budget. Additional county staff were in attendance to discuss other items that may affect the budget.

**Ad Hoc Committee 10-08-24-11** Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Antony to appoint Commissioners Kling and Renneke to the Gravel Pit Ad Hoc Committee. 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 10-08-24-12** Motion by Commissioner Kling and seconded by Commissioner Berends to adjourn at 12:59 p.m. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Witness:

Greg Renneke, Chair

Attest:

Angie Steinbach, County Administrator