

LEGAL NOTICE

YELLOW MEDICINE COUNTY BOARD MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 10, 2024

Chairman Greg Renneke called this regular meeting of the Yellow Medicine County Board to order at 9:00 a.m. with Commissioners Mitch Kling, 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.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approve Agenda 09-10-24-01 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kling to approve the agenda. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Consent Agenda 09-10-24-02 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve the consent agenda items as follows: August 27, 2024 County Board meeting minutes (amended as discussed); Highway Building Professional Services Agreement with Dunham Associates, Inc. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Citizen Comments None

Approval of Disbursements/Review Auditor's Warrants 09-10-24-03 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve the commissioner warrants for the following amounts: \$30,729.91 Ditch Fund, \$71,522.26 Revenue Fund, \$103,857.83 Road & Bridge Fund, \$33,642.04 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 Berends reported on Prairie Lakes Youth Program and PrimeWest Health. Commissioner Kack reported on Area II/RCRCA. Commissioner Renneke had no reports. Commissioner Kling reported on 6W Community Corrections. Commissioner Antony reported on 6W Community Corrections, Parks Committee, Emergency Communication Board and MCIT Land Use 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

Molly Malone, Invenergy, presented to the board.

Dan Moravetz, Tony Sather, Andy Lee and Matt Morris, Highway Department, gave an update.

Parks Master Plan 09-10-24-04 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve the top recommendations for the Timm Park Master Plan (move additional land and space above more camping spaces). Motion carried with all voting in favor.

WRAP Proposal for Statewide Affordable Housing Aid 09-10-24-05 Becci tenBensel, Women's Rural Advocacy Program (WRAP), discussed the proposal. Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Kling to approve WRAP's proposal for \$15,000 of the County's Statewide Affordable Housing Aid dollars. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Food Hub Request 09-10-24-06 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Kling to table the Prairie Five Food Hub request to a future meeting. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

The board recessed for break at 10:37 a.m.

The board reconvened at 10:53 a.m.

Generator Replacement 09-10-24-07 Motion by Commissioner Kling and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve the emergency quote from Falls Electric in the amount of \$96,608.90 for the replacement of the generator for the Justice Center/Health & Human Services/Jail building (paid with ARPA funds). Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Dana Homan, Finance Manager, discussed the budget.

Preliminary Levy 09-10-24-08 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Berends to increase the 2025 net tax levy by 5.95% for a total preliminary 2025 net levy of \$13,719,871 and a gross levy of \$14,471,133. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

U of M Extension Agreement 09-10-24-09 Motion by Commissioner Kling and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve the Agreement with the U of M Extension for providing Extension programs locally and employing Extension staff. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Other Business None

Informational Vendor Payments Over \$2,000 for January 2024 to June 2024

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

Adjourn 09-10-24-10 Motion by Commissioner Kling and seconded by Commissioner Berends to adjourn at 11:54 a.m. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Witness:

Greg Renneke, Chair

Attest:

Angie Steinbach, County Administrator