

**Yellow Medicine County Board Meeting Minutes
October 11, 2011**

Chairman Dick Wambeke called this regular meeting of the Yellow Medicine County Board to order at 9:00 a.m. with Commissioners Louis Sherlin, Gary Johnson, Greg Renneke, Dick Wambeke and Ron Antony present. Also present were County Administrator Ryan Krosch, County Attorney Keith Helgeson, Granite Falls Advocate Tribune reporter Scott Tedrick and Marshall Independent reporter Steve Browne.

Approve Agenda 10-11-11-01 Motion by Commissioner Sherlin and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve the agenda with the following changes: add name change background checks joint powers agreement and gambling permit to the consent agenda; J.D. #21 bridge condition to the regular agenda; investment report to the informational items. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Consent Agenda 10-11-11-02 Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Renneke to approve the consent agenda items as follows: minutes of the September 27, 2011, County Board meeting; 2012 Vulnerable Children and Adults Act Plan; part-time, temporary hiring of Julie Marthaler for Restorative Justice services; contract to process MinnesotaCare applications through June 30, 2013; Resolution #23-2011 stating the counties of Region 6W and Region 8 wish to continue to contract with the Southwest Minnesota Private Industry Council to provide the Employment and Training Services under the Minnesota Family Investment Program and the Diversionary Work Programs as part of the 2012/2013 Consolidated Fund cycle and that the County of Yellow Medicine is in agreement that the 2012/2013 Plan should be developed as a Regional Narrative Plan encompassing the Region 6W and Region 8 Counties; joint powers agreement between the 8th Judicial District Court and Yellow Medicine County Sheriff's Office to have the Sheriff's Office do name change background checks; gambling permit for the Granite Falls Firemen's Relief Association at Bootlegger's Supper Club in Stony Run Township. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Citizen Comments None

Commissioners' Reports

Administrator Krosch introduced new Finance Manager Michelle May to the County Board.

Commissioner Antony reported on 6W Community Corrections and adding a rural recycling container in St. Leo. Commissioner Renneke reported on a meeting about the Minnesota Falls dam, Echo City Council and a tour of the west end of the County. Commissioner Johnson reported on 6W Community Corrections, RDC and Prairie Five. Commissioner Sherlin reported on the RDC Revolving Loan Fund and Area II. Commissioner Wambeke reported on a meeting to discuss ownership of the Minnesota Falls dam, HRA Board, Southern Prairie Health Purchasing Alliance and a tour of J.D. #10 and Wood Lake Creek.

Area II Joint Powers Agreement 10-11-11-03 Motion by Commissioner Sherlin and seconded by Commissioner Antony to approve Yellow Medicine County's participation in the Area II joint powers agreement to December 31, 2013. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Regular Agenda

Request to Repurchase Tax Forfeited Property 10-11-11-04 Auditor/Treasurer Lois Bonde and John Elsing, Manager of the Parrot Bar in Canby, were present. Mr. Elsing was present on behalf of Todd Lacek to request that Mr. Lacek be able to repurchase the Parrot Bar located at 907 St. Olaf Ave. N. in Canby (Parcel No. 31-560-0006). This property became tax forfeited property on August 25, 2011. Mr. Lacek was not able to be present for today's meeting. Minnesota Statute 282.241 states that the County Board must approve or disapprove each request for repurchase and determine from among the eligible repurchasers who should receive title to the repurchased property. Auditor/Treasurer Bonde stated that a 30-day notice was mailed to all eligible

repurchasers informing them of their right to resolve their legal interests in the tax forfeited property and designate who among them is to receive the title to the repurchased property. Auditor/Treasurer Bonde stated that the 30-day notice period has passed with no written certification being submitted by the eligible repurchasers. Motion by Commissioner Antony and seconded by Commissioner Sherlin to approve Resolution #24-2011 that the Yellow Medicine County Board of Commissioners finds that the repurchase of the property located at 907 St. Olaf Avenue North in the City of Canby, Yellow Medicine County, Minnesota, will promote the use of the lands that will best serve the public interest by allowing a business to stay open, a service to be provided to the community and employment opportunities to be maintained; and as a condition of repurchase the entire repurchase price of \$17,784.89 plus other required fees be paid at the time of repurchase; and that the Yellow Medicine County Board of Commissioners approves the repurchase application submitted by Todd Lacek and grants title of said property to Todd Lacek. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Tax Forfeited Properties Auditor/Treasurer Lois Bonde and Highway Maintenance Supervisor Larry Stoks presented a list of tax forfeited properties that the County Board needs to set appraised values on. No action was taken so the Commissioners can go view the properties in their respective districts to help determine an appraised value.

The Board recessed for a break at 10:33 p.m.

The Board reconvened at 10:40 p.m.

County Ditch #10 and Wood Lake Creek County Ditch Inspector Chris Balfany presented photos of erosion occurring on Wood Lake Creek in the area between County Ditch #10 and the Minnesota River. Since Ditch #10 is a joint ditch with Lyon County the matter will be discussed at the next Ditch #10 Joint Drainage Authority meeting.

County Landfill Ownership The Board had a discussion about MPCA's presentation last meeting on managing the pollution risk at the County's closed landfill and the option of transferring ownership of the closed landfill to the State of Minnesota so the State would assume all liability for the property and responsibility for future land uses. The Board took no action and will discuss the matter at a future meeting.

Restorative Justice Coordinator Position 10-11-11-05 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Antony to accept Julie Marthaler's resignation as Restorative Justice Coordinator and approve advertising for a replacement full-time Restorative Justice Coordinator. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Homestead Market Value Credit Notice 10-11-11-06 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Antony to place a notice regarding the change to the homestead market value credit program in the 2012 proposed property tax notices. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Other Business None

Informational The Board reviewed the September 2011 investment report.

Approval of Disbursements/Review of Auditor's Warrants 10-11-11-07 Motion by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Sherlin to approve the Commissioner warrants for the following amounts: \$55,489.11 Revenue Fund, \$23,270.39 Road and Bridge Fund, \$52,460.27 Human Services Fund, \$41,311.96 Ditch Fund; and acknowledge review of the Auditor's warrants. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

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

Adjourn 10-11-11-08 Motion by Commissioner Sherlin and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to adjourn at 11:40 a.m. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Witness:

Attest:



Dick Wambeke, Chair



Lois Bonde, Auditor/Treasurer