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**Grant County Board of Supervisors  
April 21, 2020**

The Grant County Board of Supervisors met on Tuesday, April 21, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. in the Administration Building, 111 South Jefferson Street, Lancaster, WI second floor Room 264, pursuant to the adjournment of the March 17, 2020 meeting.

While the Organizational Meeting of the Grant County Board of Supervisors is considered an “Essential Government Operation” pursuant to the State’s Safer at Home Order, the meeting will be offered with the option to participate via Zoom meeting. Live participation in this meeting will be limited to Grant County Board Supervisors, County Clerk, and Corporation Counsel. Social distancing and other safety precautions associated with COVID-19 protocol will be followed.

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Robert Keeney, County Board Chair called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Verification of compliance with the open meeting law was a notice in the Herald Independent stating the date, time and place of the County Board Meeting and posted in two public posting locations and the county website verified by Linda K. Gebhard, County Clerk.

Roll Call, April 21, 2020

	Present	Absent	Excused
Carol Beals (ZOOM)	X		
John Beinborn	X		
Gregory Fry	X		
Roger Guthrie	X		
Dale Hood (ZOOM)	X		
Lester Jantzen	X		
Robert Keeney	X		
Mike Lieurance (ZOOM)	X		
Dwight Nelson (ZOOM)	X		
Gary Northouse	X		
John Patcle	X		
Gary Ranum (ZOOM)	X		
Robert Scallon	X		
Patrick Schroeder	X		

Donald Splinter	X		
	Present	Absent	Excused
Mark Stead	X		
Porter Wagner	X		

Roll Call was taken on the Roll Call Vote System, there was 17 present, 5 participating on ZOOM and 12 in person. Therefore, a quorum was present.

Oath of Office for the Grant County Board of Supervisors: Ben Wood, Corporation Counsel administered the Oath of Office to the Board of Supervisors for their next two year term, April 2020 to April 2022.

Approval of Agenda: Lester Jantzen, seconded by Don Splinter, made a motion to approve the third amended agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Election for County Board Chair: Ben Wood, Corporation Counsel conducted the election process to elect the County Board Chair. The secret ballot method was used.

Ben opened the floor for nominations for County Board position. Patrick Schroeder nominated Robert Keeney. Ben repeated the nominations twice; there were no other nominations stated.

Don Splinter made a motion to close the nomination process and cast a unanimous ballot for Robert Keeney to fill the position of County Board Chair, seconded by John Beinborn. Ben called the motion twice, a voice approval was asked for, all stated yes; there were no nay votes. Therefore motion carried unanimously.

Election for First Vice Chair: Ben opened the nominations for the position of First Vice Chair. John Patcle nominated Mark Stead and Greg Fry nominated Gary Ranum. Ben asked three times for nominations, no more were stated. Ben closed the nominations. Paper ballots were distributed to the Board Members who were present by Linda Gebhard, County Clerk. The Board Members participating by ZOOM were asked to call a specific telephone number with their vote. Ben Wood received these votes for tally. The County Clerk tallied the paper votes, the call in votes and paper votes were added together resulting in 6 votes for Gary Ranum and 10 votes for Mark Stead. This was a secret ballot; no names were to be stated on the ballots of the voters.

Ben officially stated the winner; Mark Stead was elected to the First Vice Chair position for the Grant County Board of Supervisors.

Election for Second Vice Chair: Ben opened up the nominations for the position of Second Vice Chair. Mark Stead nominated John Patcle and John Beinborn nominated Greg Fry. Ben asked three times for nominations, no more were stated. Ben closed the nominations. Paper ballots were distributed to the Board Members who were present by Linda Gebhard, County Clerk. The Board Members participating by ZOOM were asked to call a specific telephone number with their vote. Ben Wood received these votes for tally. The County Clerk tallied the paper votes, the call in votes and paper votes were added together resulting in 9 votes for John Patcle and 7 votes for Greg Fry. This was a secret ballot; no names were to be stated on the ballots of the voters.



Ben officially stated the winner; John Patcle was elected to the Second Vice Chair position for the Grant County Board of Supervisors.

Approval of Minutes: Patrick Schroeder, seconded by Gary Northouse, made a motion to approve the minutes of March 17, 2020 as presented. Motion carried.

Communications: Chair Keeney asked Jeff Kindrai, Health Director to give the Board an update on the COVID19 Pandemic as of this date.

Chair Keeney received a letter from ITC regarding the Cardinal Hickory Creek Line. As of April 3<sup>rd</sup> they have temporarily ceased all activities relating to that project for at least 2 months due to the COVID19 pandemic. They will re-assess at that time before they go forward on that project.

The SWIGG study information has been released; Chair Keeney stated he would send copies to the Board Members.

The 52 Building is sitting in a pile. Tim Wiederholt is hoping to get back to dispose of the remaining debris in the near future. The Department of Natural Resources checked the debris for contamination and it has been cleared.

The new sewer system is up and working, the old sewer plant will be cleaned out and then be ready to demolish and bury.

The radio tower is going forward; there have been two project meetings so far and the site work has been completed.

Chair Keeney read a Thank you he sent out to all the Grant County Employees entitled "You Make a Difference" commending them for continuing to provide uninterrupted service to Grant County communities and residents, their efforts are not going unnoticed. The Thank you has been posted on the bulletin board in the Administration Building.

Chair Keeney thanked the Board for their continued support for electing him as County Board Chair and electing Mark Stead and John Patcle to remain part of the team.

Appointment(s): None

Grants: None

Discussion and possible action to authorize the county clerk to sign an amendment to both offers to purchase with Kwik Trip Corporation to extend the closing day from May 1, 2020 to on or before August 4, 2020: Ben Wood, Corporation Counsel commented on the offer. Kwik Trip has asked for another extension for the closing of the property located on City Limits Road, 901 & 925 North Madison Street and 910 & 920 North Adams Street. They are also in an agreement with the Bennet family on the house

and car wash; they would like this extension so it coincides with that closing date of August 4, 2020. The City Planning Committee and Lancaster City Council have approved the rezone so the project is moving forward. The site plan and conditional use will be taking place in the city in the next two months. The scope of the project has not changed.

Mark Stead, seconded by Porter Wagner to approve the County Clerk to sign an amendment to both offers to purchase with Kwik Trip Corporation to extend the closing day from May 1, 2020 to August 4, 2020. A voice vote was taken, all stated yes. Chair Keeney stated the motion again and asked if there was any opposition to this motion, none was stated, therefore the motion carried unanimously.

Action on Proclamations: Ben Wood, Corporation Counsel explained the proclamations and the process that is needed. At the beginning of the COVID19 Pandemic a resolution was approved giving the County Board Chair the power to make these proclamations as needed moving through the stages of this pandemic. Chair Keeney has kept the Board Members up to date on these as they were implemented. Now, keeping in line with the State Statutes the full Board needs to ratify the proclamations. The Proclamations are listed below; they can all be passed as a whole.

Don Splinter made a motion to ratify Proclamations 1 – 9, seconded by Porter Wagner. There was a question on Proclamation 7, this gives Law Enforcement the power to write a citation to people who are violating any executive order implemented by the Governor, a citation requiring payment of a fine will be issued but these cases would not be sent on to the DA for prosecution and possible jail time. Part of Proclamation 7 also includes this amendment in the County Ordinance 22. This would amend the County's current code on public health emergency related issues only, there would be no expiration date on this; if a situation like the pandemic came up again, the County would be prepared.

Ben Wood called the question, Don Splinter, seconded by Porter Wager, made a motion to ratify Proclamations 1 – 9, including gg. Ordinance 22 relating to the Proclamation 7 amending Chapter 206. A voice vote was taken; it was approved by a unanimous yes votes. Therefore motion carried.

- a. PROCLAMATION OF PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY IN GRANT COUNTY
- b. PROCLAMATION #2 DEFINING "EMERGENCY RESPONDER" AND "HEALTH CARE PROVIDER AS IT RELATES TO EXEMPTION FROM FAMILIES FIRST CORONAVIRUS RESPONSE ACT (FFCRA)
- c. PROCLAMATION #3 AUTHORIZATION TO SIGN PURCHASE CONTRACT WITH RAYCOM
- d. PROCLAMATION #4 DEFINING "ESSENTIAL EMPLOYEES" AS IT RELATES TO EMERGENCY ORDER #12
- e. PROCLAMATION #5 TEMPORARY ORCHARD MANOR POSITIONS DUE TO COVID-19
- f. PROCLAMATION #6 PAID SICK LEAVE FOR STAFF EXEMPT FROM FFCRA
- g. PROCLAMATION #7 AUTHORIZATION TO AMEND CHAPTER 206 ENTITLED "PEACE AND GOOD ORDER" OF THE GRANT COUNTY CODE
  - gg. An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 206 Entitled "PEACE AND GOOD ORDER" of the Grant County Code (Ordinance No. 22)
- h. PROCLAMATION #8 TEMPORARY ORCHARD MANOR EXEMPT NURSE PAY DUE TO COVID-19

i. PROCLAMATION #9 DETERMINATION OF FINANCE DIRECTOR/COUNTY AUDITOR AS  
CRITICAL EMPLOYEE FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE FISCAL SUCCESS OF CONTINUITY OF  
OPERATIONS DURING COVID-19 PANDEMIC

Grant County Grievance policy revision: Joyce Roling, Personnel presented the amended policy to the Board. The policy was reviewed by the Department Heads and the Executive Committee and was recommended for approval.

Patrick Schroeder, seconded by John Beinborn, made a motion to approve the amendments to the Grant County Grievance Policy. A voice vote was taken. The motion passed unanimously.

**GRANT COUNTY  
GRIEVANCE POLICY**

Purpose:

This grievance policy is established pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 66.0509(1m) to address employee terminations, employee discipline and workplace safety as required by law. An employee shall use this grievance policy for resolving disputes regarding employee termination, employee discipline or workplace safety issues covered by this policy. This policy shall not apply to matters of employee discipline or employee termination if governed by a collective bargaining agreement or by specific provisions of Wisconsin Statute Ch. 59, such as matters governed by Wis. Stat. § 59.26(8).

The terms of this policy may be modified or eliminated by the County at any time, with or without prior notice. This policy is not a guarantee of employment, a guarantee of any rights or benefits, a contract of employment, express or implied and does not create tenure or a property interest in employment. Unless specifically required otherwise by statute or code, the County's employment relationship with employees covered under this policy is at will and the employment relationship may be terminated at any time for any reason, with or without cause and with or without notice, at the option of the County or the employee.

Definitions:

**"Administration"** means the person or persons designated by the County to represent the interests of management in a Grievance matter. The Administration may be represented by counsel at any point in the procedure.

**"Employee"** for purposes of a Grievance involving discipline or termination means a full-time or regular part-time employee of Grant County, as defined in applicable County personnel policy and excludes managerial and supervisory employees, elected officials, limited term employees, contractors, employees covered by a collective bargaining agreement containing a grievance procedure for discipline or termination and officials, officers or employees that serve at the pleasure of an appointing authority as provided by statute, including, but not limited to Deputy Coroner, Veterans Service Officer, Highway Commissioner, Zoning Administrator, Real Property Lister, Social Services Director, Health Officer and Commission on Aging Director.

**"Employee"** for purposes of a Grievance involving workplace safety means a full-time or regular part-time employee of Grant County, as defined in applicable County personnel policy.

**"Discipline"**, in the context of this policy, is an employee's suspension of employment or a demotion due to misconduct. Leadership/management tools, which include, but are not limited to, plans of

correction or performance improvement; performance evaluations or reviews; documentation of employee acts and/or omissions in an employment file; oral or written reprimands; administrative leave with or without pay; non-disciplinary wage, benefit or salary adjustments; or a change in assignment or assignment location, are not subject to the grievance procedures addressed in this policy.

**“Grievance”** means a written complaint filed under this policy by an employee involving discipline taken against the employee, termination of the employee, or an alleged workplace safety issue directly affecting the employee. All complaints must be filed on the form attached to this policy as Appendix A or Appendix C. An employee filing a Grievance is referred to as a “Grievant” in this policy.

**“Termination”** means an involuntary separation of employment initiated by the County that is not a layoff or workforce reduction.

**“Working day”** generally means a regularly scheduled workday (Monday through Friday) excluding County-recognized holidays when County offices are closed.

**“Workplace safety”** means any standard established or adopted under Wis. Admin. Code Chapter SPS 332.

#### Grievance Procedure for Discipline and Termination:

##### 1. Initiating a Grievance Related to Discipline or Termination

- A Grievance relating to discipline or termination shall be initiated by filing a written complaint on the form attached to this policy as Appendix A with the Personnel Director within 10 working days of the event giving rise to the Grievance. The Grievance must contain all of the information required on Appendix A to be considered complete. To be considered complete, the remedy sought and the discipline/termination grieved must be addressed in the Grievance.
- a. A Grievance may only be filed by the employee who is the subject of the discipline or termination. The Grievant must sign and date the Grievance. A Grievance will not be considered filed until the Grievant signs the Grievance, provides all of the required information, and delivers the Grievance to the Personnel Director.
- b. If a Grievance is untimely or incomplete, the Personnel Director shall issue a written notice to the Grievant indicating it is untimely or identifying the information needed to complete the Grievance. The Grievant shall have five (5) working days from receipt of the written request to provide the Personnel Director with the requested information. In the case of an untimely Grievance, the Grievance must provide a statement as to why the Grievance should be considered timely. In the case of an incomplete Grievance, the Grievant must provide the information identified by the Personnel Director. Upon receipt of the Grievant’s response, the Personnel Director shall refer the response to the Grant County Executive Committee to determine whether the response is sufficient. Failure of the Grievant to timely provide the requested information within five (5) working days of the Personnel Director’s request or a finding by the Executive Committee that the Grievance is either untimely or that the Grievant has failed to provide sufficient information to allow the Grievance to move forward shall constitute a waiver of the right to use this grievance procedure and an abandonment of the Grievance and therefore the Grievance will no longer be processed under this Policy.
- d. By signing the Grievance, the Grievant is acknowledging and affirming that the statements contained in the Grievance are true and accurate to the best of the Grievant’s knowledge.

- e. A Grievant shall not be allowed to amend the Grievance.
  - f. Throughout the grievance process, the Grievant may represent himself or herself or the Grievant may be represented by legal counsel.
2. Decision by Personnel Director

Upon the receipt of the Grievance and following a determination that the Grievance is timely and complete, the Personnel Director may attempt to informally resolve the Grievance. If the Grievance cannot be resolved, the Personnel Director will deliver a written response to the Grievant with a brief explanation as to why the Grievance is denied. If the Personnel Director is aware of other similar pending grievances, the Personnel Director may consolidate those matters and process them as one grievance.

3. Hearing Before an Impartial Hearing Officer

An employee shall have ten (10) working days from the date the Grievance was denied by the Personnel Director to file a written request for a hearing. The employee shall submit a written statement to the Personnel Director requesting the hearing and specifically describing the reason(s) for the appeal of the Personnel Director's decision.

- a. When the Personnel Director receives a properly filed request for hearing, the Personnel Director shall assign the Grievance a case number and provide the Grievant with the name of the Impartial Hearing Officer assigned by the County. The Grievant shall be responsible for half of the cost of the hearing officer.
- b. Within ten (10) working days of the date the Impartial Hearing Officer is assigned, the Administration, Grievant and Impartial Hearing Officer shall conduct a pre-hearing conference and select a date for hearing not more than forty-five (45) calendar days from the date the Grievance was filed. All hearings will be closed to the public. The Impartial Hearing Officer shall require the Grievant and Administration to provide a list of witnesses and exhibits that each intends to produce at the hearing no later than ten (10) working days before the hearing. The Impartial Hearing Officer may preclude the Grievant or Administration from introducing exhibits or taking testimony from witnesses who were not disclosed on the list to the opposing party. Neither party may engage in discovery, submit argument, or otherwise engage in motion practice prior to the hearing.
- c. Prior to the beginning of the hearing, the Impartial Hearing Officer may attempt to mediate the dispute at the request of both parties.
- d. The Grievant and Administration may call witnesses and present testimony and exhibits that are relevant to the events at issue in the Grievance, subject to the requirements related to exchange of witnesses and exhibits in Section 3.b. above. The Grievant and Administration may cross-examine any witnesses presented by the opposing side subject to relevancy. The Impartial Hearing Officer may refuse to allow testimony or receive exhibits that the Impartial Hearing Officer deems irrelevant or repetitious.
- e. The rules of evidence shall not be strictly followed, but no factual conclusions may be based solely on hearsay evidence.

- f. During the hearing, the Impartial Hearing Officer may ask questions and gather information the Impartial Hearing Officer deems necessary or helpful. The Impartial Hearing Officer may allow for opening or closing statements at the discretion of the Impartial Hearing Officer; however, such statements shall not exceed ten (10) minutes in length. The Impartial Hearing Officer shall maintain order and decorum at all times during the hearing, including refusing to take additional evidence until a disruption has ceased or terminating the hearing if the disruption does not cease after a warning is given.
- g. After the Grievant and the Administration have finished introducing evidence, the Impartial Hearing Officer shall close the record. The parties shall have no right to file briefs or position statements and the Impartial Hearing Officer shall make a decision based solely on the evidence and argument presented at the hearing.
- h. Burden of proof

The Grievant bears the burden of proof to persuade the Impartial Hearing Officer by clear, convincing and satisfactory evidence that the Administration had no rational basis in disciplining or terminating the Grievant. If the Grievant does not meet his or her burden of proof, the Impartial Hearing Officer shall deny the grievance. In determining whether the Grievant has satisfied this burden, the Impartial Hearing Officer shall only consider the matter presented in the initial grievance filed by the employee and the evidence presented in the Hearing.

- i. Any hearing conducted hereunder shall be recorded by use of an audio recorder or other means as designated by the Impartial Hearing Officer. A copy of the audio recording, if used, shall be provided to the Grievant at no charge. The Personnel Director shall preserve all recordings for the period required by law following completion of all proceedings related to a Grievance.

#### 4. Remedies

If the Grievance is sustained, the Impartial Hearing Officer may award the Grievant one of the following remedies if reasonable under the totality of the circumstances:

- a. If the Grievance involves employee termination, the Impartial Hearing Officer may award any of the following or combination of the following: reinstatement; a lesser adverse employment action than termination such as suspension of employment, reduction in base pay, reduction in rank, demotion, or an oral or written reprimand; plans of correction or performance improvement; documentation of employee acts and/or omissions in an employment file; or that no adverse employment action be taken by the County. If reinstatement is awarded, the Impartial Hearing Officer may award back pay to the employee reduced by any unpaid suspension imposed by the Impartial Hearing Officer. The Impartial Hearing Officer shall not award back pay greater than the equivalent of seventy-five (75) working days.
- b. If the Grievance involves employee discipline other than termination, the Impartial Hearing Officer may award any of the following or combination of the following: lesser adverse employment action than the discipline imposed by the County such as a reduced period of suspension, reduction in base pay, reduction in rank, demotion, or an oral or written reprimand; plans of correction or performance improvement; documentation of employee acts and/or omissions in an employment file; or that no adverse employment action be taken by the County. If the Impartial Hearing Officer

reduces an unpaid suspension, the Impartial Hearing Officer may award back pay to the employee for any period of unpaid suspension served by the employee that was reduced.

5. Written Decision of Impartial Hearing Officer

The Impartial Hearing Officer shall deliver a written decision to the parties no later than twenty (20) working days from the date of the hearing. The written decision shall contain the following: the case number and caption describing the parties; appearances made by the parties at the hearing; a statement of the issues; pertinent findings of fact; conclusions of law, if any; the final decision; and if the County's decision is overturned, the remedy for the Grievant. If no written decision is received by both parties within twenty (20) working days following completion of the hearing, the Grievance shall be considered denied.

6. Appeal

Appeal to the County Board of a Grievance relating to discipline or termination shall proceed under the section titled County Board Appeal.

Grievance Procedure – Workplace Safety

1. Conditions Precedent to Filing a Workplace Safety Grievance

- a. An employee may not file a grievance relating to a condition that the employee believes constitutes a Workplace Safety violation unless the employee has first reported the condition to the Personnel Director in writing on the form attached as Appendix B.
- b. Upon receiving properly filed notice of an alleged Workplace Safety violation, the County shall have ten (10) working days in which to investigate the condition and advise the employee in writing that the County has determined that the condition does not constitute a Workplace Safety violation and will not be taking corrective action; or the County will be taking corrective action in accordance with law to address the condition. If the County advises the employee in writing within ten (10) working days that it is taking corrective action in accordance with law and has commenced corrective action, then no Grievance for Workplace Safety may be initiated.

2. Action by Committee

- a. If the County determines that the condition does not constitute a Workplace Safety violation, the Personnel Director shall immediately notify the Department Head and the Chair of the governing committee of the result of the investigation to follow up on the Workplace Safety concern.

3. Initiating a Grievance Relating to Workplace Safety

- a. An employee may initiate a Grievance relating to Workplace Safety by presenting a written complaint on the form attached to this policy as Appendix C to the Personnel Director within five (5) working days of the Grievant's receipt of notice from the County that it will not be taking corrective action with respect to an alleged Workplace Safety violation or the date upon which the Grievant knew or should have known that the County has failed to commence corrective action in accordance with law as set forth

above. The Grievance must contain all of the information set forth in Appendix C to be considered complete, including the remedy sought and the condition being grieved. The Grievant and Personnel Director shall follow the provisions of Section "Initiating a Grievance Relating to Discipline or Termination" Section1, subsections b.–d. identified above for purposes of initiating the Grievance and determining timeliness and sufficiency.

- b. By signing the Workplace Safety Grievance, the Grievant is acknowledging and affirming that the statements contained in the Workplace Safety Grievance are true and accurate to the best of the Grievant's knowledge.
- c. A Grievant shall not be allowed to amend a Workplace Safety Grievance.

#### 4. Decision by Personnel Director

Upon the receipt of the Grievance and following a determination that the Grievance is timely and complete, the Personnel Director may attempt to informally resolve the Grievance. If the Grievance cannot be resolved, the Personnel Director will deliver a written response to the Grievant with a brief explanation as to why the Grievance is denied. If the Personnel Director is aware of other similar pending grievances, the Personnel Director may consolidate those matters and process them as one grievance.

#### 5. Hearing before an Impartial Hearing Officer

An employee shall have ten (10) working days from the date the Grievance was denied by the Personnel Director to file a written request for a hearing. The employee shall submit a written statement to the Personnel Director requesting the hearing and specifically describing the reason(s) for the appeal of the Personnel Director's decision.

- a. When the Personnel Director receives a properly filed request for hearing (i.e., a timely and complete Grievance), the Director shall assign the Workplace Safety Grievance a case number and provide the Grievant with the name of the Impartial Hearing Officer selected by the County. The Grievant shall be responsible for half of the cost of the hearing officer. If the Personnel Director is aware of other similar pending grievances, the Personnel Director may consolidate those matters and process them as one grievance.
- b. An Impartial Hearing Officer shall be assigned no later than twenty (20) working days after the date a Grievance is properly filed.
- c. Any hearing conducted hereunder shall be recorded by use of an audio recorder or other means as designated by the Impartial Hearing Officer. A copy of the audio recording, if used, shall be provided to the Grievant at no charge. The Personnel Director shall preserve all recordings for the period required by law following completion of all proceedings related to a Grievance.
- d. Hearing procedure



The hearing shall be conducted in accordance with the impartial hearing officer procedure set forth for above in Section 3 a. – g. for Grievances involving Discipline and Termination.

e. Burden of proof

The County bears the burden of proving by a preponderance of the evidence that the condition identified by the Grievant does not constitute a Workplace Safety violation and that no corrective action is required. If the County does not meet its burden of proof, the Grievance shall be sustained.

6. Impartial Hearing Officer Decision

- a. If the Workplace Safety Grievance is sustained, the Impartial Hearing Officer may issue an order which includes a statement as to the particular required provisions of Wis. Admin. Code Chap. SPS that are violated by the Workplace Safety grievance and recommend the County take corrective action in compliance with law to address the Workplace Safety violation. The Impartial Hearing Officer shall have no authority to require the County to take any specific corrective action or provide any specific remedy in response to the Workplace Safety violation.
- b. If the Workplace Safety Grievance is denied, then the Impartial Hearing Officer shall issue a written report that identifies the basis for denying the Grievance.

The Impartial Hearing Officer shall file any written decision and order or written report with the County Clerk within twenty (20) working days of the close of the hearing. If no written decision is received by the County Clerk within twenty (20) working days following completion of the hearing, the Grievance shall be considered denied.

7. Appeal

Appeal to the County Board of a Grievance relating to Workplace Safety shall proceed under the section below titled County Board Appeal.

County Board Appeal

1. Requesting an Appeal to the County Board

- a. Either party may appeal the Impartial Hearing Officer's decision by filing a request for appeal. The appeal must include the following information: a copy of the grievance filed; a copy of the written response from the Personnel Director, if any; a copy of the written decision from the hearing officer, if any; and a statement of the relief requested by the Grievant. The appeal must be filed in the Personnel Director's office no later than five (5) calendar days from the date of receipt of the Impartial Hearing Officer's decision. Failure to file a written appeal by the filing deadline will result in the waiver of the right to an appeal and the outcome of the proceedings before the hearing officer shall be final.

- b. A request for an appeal must be filed on Appendix D and set forth all information required by Appendix D to be considered complete. To be considered complete, the remedy sought by the appeal must be covered by the Grievance Procedure.
- c. Upon the filing of an appeal, the Personnel Director shall forward a copy of the appeal and of the recording of the hearing before the Impartial Hearing Officer to the County Clerk.

## 2. County Board Appeal Process

- a. When the Personnel Director receives a properly filed request for appeal (Appendix D), the Director shall forward the appeal to the chairperson of the County Board.
- b. The Chairperson shall review the appeal to determine if it is complete (i.e., if all information required by Appendix D was provided and if the remedy requested is covered by the Grievance Procedure). If the Chairperson determines the appeal is incomplete, the Chairperson shall dismiss the appeal and the Impartial Hearing Officer's decision shall be final and binding upon the parties.
- c. If the Chair determines the appeal is complete, the Chairperson shall schedule a meeting of the County Board to review the hearing record and the Impartial Hearing Officer's decision. The Board may listen to any portion of the audio recording of the hearing before the Impartial Hearing Officer. The Board may confer with the Impartial Hearing Officer regarding the hearing record and the basis of the Impartial Hearing Officer's decision. The Board shall not overturn or otherwise modify the Impartial Hearing Officer's decision unless the decision of the Impartial Hearing Officer is found to be arbitrary, oppressive or unreasonable.
- d. The County Board shall not take testimony, accept additional evidence, accept briefing, accept oral argument or otherwise conduct a hearing of any sort in relation to an appeal.

## 3. Written Decision of the County Board

The County Board shall deliver a written decision to the Grievant and the Administration no later than twenty (20) working days from the date of the County Board meeting. The written decision shall contain the following: the case number and caption describing the parties; a statement of the issues; findings of fact, along an explanation as to why the findings differ from the hearing officer, if any; conclusions of law, along with an explanation as to why the conclusions differ from the hearing examiner, if any; the final decision; and if the Impartial Hearing Officer's decision is overturned, the remedy, if any.

## 4. Contents of County Board Decision

If no written decision is received by the Grievant within twenty (20) working days following the meeting at which the Grievance is presented to the County Board for review, the Grievance shall

be considered denied. The County may award the Grievant one of the following remedies if reasonable under the totality of the circumstances:

- a. If the Grievance involves employee termination, the County Board may award remedies consistent with the remedies set forth above under the section entitled Remedies. If reinstatement is awarded, the County Board may award back pay to the employee reduced by any unpaid suspension imposed by the County Board. The County Board shall not award back pay greater than the equivalent of the number of working days elapsed from the date of termination to the date of the County Board meeting or 75 working days, whichever is less.
  - b. If the Grievance involves employee discipline other than termination, the County Board may award remedies consistent with remedies set forth above. If the County Board reduces an unpaid suspension, the County Board may award back pay to the employee for any period of unpaid suspension served by the employee that was reduced.
  - c. If the Grievance involves Workplace Safety, the County Board may order that corrective action be taken according to law.
5. The decision of the County Board shall be final and may not be reconsidered.

(Approved by County Board on 09/20/2011, revised 01/21/2014, revised 05/20/2014, revised 04/21/2020)

Dog Claim(s): Roger Guthrie presented the dog claims from the Grant County Humane Society to the Board for approval. There was one dog claim to approve by the Board for a total of \$155.00. The claim will be reviewed by Ag and Extension at their next meeting.

A motion was made by Roger Guthrie, seconded by Lester Jantzen, to approve paying the amount of \$155.00 to the Grant County Humane Society contingent on the approval of the Ag and Extension Committee. Motion carried.

Discussion and Possible Action on Committee Structure and to extend Committee term until May 2020 Board meeting: Chair Keeney informed the County Board Members the Wisconsin Counties Association stated committee assignments could be extended into May, however by June 1<sup>st</sup> the committee structure needs to be in place. He opened the floor for discussion regarding extending the committee assignments to the May County Board Meeting.

Robert Scallon made a motion to extend the committee structure and assignments until the May 2020 County Board meeting, seconded by John Beinborn. Discussion continued.

Roger Guthrie posed the question that through the COVID 19 Pandemic there have been some committees which struggled to achieve a quorum. He wondered if the original number of members on the committees should be revisited. Ben Wood stated the wording would have to be made in a draft form so it could be sent out to all the Board Members for their review and at the May meeting this could be acted upon.

Chair Keeney stated there should be an Administrative Committee scheduled within the next couple weeks to discuss this proposal or any other suggested changes in the committee structures.

Gary Ranum asked if this would include the elected committees also. Chair Keeney stated it should include all the committees. If it is decided to increase the number of members on those committees there is no reason to hold the elections at this meeting.

Carol Beals reiterated from a previous decision made in 2018, the Administrative and Executive Committees both mandate the Chair, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice will be members on those committees. The rest of the Committee Members should not be the same on both, there should be different members represented on each committee.

Chair Keeney stated he felt the duties on the Administrative Committee need to be revisited. With the changes made within the County, like having a Facility Maintenance Manager to take on the oversight of the building, and if there would be new construction in the future, it may serve the County better to form an Ad Hoc committee to address that issue. Also it may be better to bring back the Committee on Committee to address the committee restructuring in the future.

Carol Beals stated she would like to have discussion on a Communication or IT stand-alone committee going forward also. With the building of a new Communication Tower and all the new communication technology within the buildings, this may be a valuable committee to have.

Chair Keeney called the question; Robert Scallon made a motion to extend all committee assignments until the May 2020 County Board meeting, seconded by John Beinborn. A voice vote was called for. Chair Keeney asked if there were any nay votes for this motion, hearing none. The motion carried unanimously.

Election for Elected Committees: (Postponed until May 2020)

- a. Administrative Committee
- b. Social Service Committee
- c. Highway Committee
- d. Agriculture and Extension/Fair Committee

Comprehensive Plan Change: None

Zoning Amendment 565<sup>th</sup>: Justin Johnson presented the Zoning Amendment to the Board for approval. The Amendment was recommended for passage by the town boards and the Conservation, Sanitization, Zoning Committee.

Mark Stead, seconded by Lester Jantzen, made a motion to approve Zoning Amendment 565 including Petitions 20-06 Ellenboro Township and 20-07 Lima Township. A voice vote was called, resulting in a unanimous yes vote. Therefore motion carried.

**565<sup>th</sup> AMENDMENT TO THE  
GRANT COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE  
April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020**

**WHEREAS**, a petition for map amendment was filed and a public hearing was held by the Grant County Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning Committee, meeting the requirements of Chapter 59.69 (5) (e) 2.

**WHEREAS**, a proof of publication and giving notice to each affected township clerk of such hearing is attached to this document. Chapter 59.69 (5) (e) 4

**WHEREAS**, the Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning Committee now recommends to the Board of Supervisors of Grant County the adoption of the following map amendments.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Grant County Board of Supervisors does ordain as follows. That the Zoning District Map for Grant County will be amended to reflect the following:

**PETITION #20-06:** Rezone request for Austin Bros LLC, PIN: 014-00575-0010 to change the zoning classification from Farmland Preservation to Agricultural-2 (A-2) to allow for the use of a nonfarm residence. This is for +/- 2.25 acres in the SE ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 27, T4N, R2W, in Ellenboro Township

**PETITION #20-07:** Rezone request for Tim & Dakora Freed, PIN: 030-00858-0000 to change the zoning classification from Farmland Preservation & Agricultural-1 (A-1) to Agricultural-2 (A-2) to allow for the use of a nonfarm residence. This is for +/- 1.52 acres in the SW ¼ of the NW ¼ & NW ¼ of the SW ¼ of Section 35, T4N, R1W, in Lima Township

Adopted by the Grant County Board of Supervisors this 21<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2020

Robert Keeney, County Board Chairman

Attest: Linda Gebhard, County Clerk

Adjournment: Mark Stead, seconded by Robert Scallon, made a motion to adjourn the meeting pursuant to the next meeting on May 19, 2020 of the Grant County Board of Supervisors. A ZOOM meeting will be scheduled; the time of the meeting shall remain fluid during the COVID19 issue whether the time will be set at 10:00 a.m. or 5:00 p.m. Ben's understanding is any meeting of a governmental unit is considered an essential meeting therefore there could be more than 10 present. Motion carried.

***\*\* Chair Keeney stated the Administrative Committee which will be scheduled in the next couple weeks to discuss committee assignments and structure will be a ZOOM meeting; all County Board Members will be invited to attend that meeting.***

***\*\*Due to technical difficulties during the April 21, 2020 County Board Meeting there will be no report included from the RollCall Pro voting system.***

**Grant County Board of Supervisors  
May 19, 2020**

The Grant County Board of Supervisors met on Tuesday, May 19, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. in the Ag and Extension Building, South Room, 916 East Elm Street, Lancaster, WI 53813 pursuant to the adjournment of the April 21, 2020 meeting.

While the Organizational Meeting of the Grant County Board of Supervisors is considered an “Essential Government Operation” pursuant to the State’s Safer at Home Order, the meeting will be offered with the option to participate via Zoom meeting. Live participation in this meeting will be limited to Grant County Board Supervisors, County Clerk, and Corporation Counsel. Social distancing and other safety precautions associated with COVID-19 protocol will be followed.

To Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81463951399>

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Robert Keeney, County Board Chair called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Verification of compliance with the open meeting law was a notice in the Herald Independent stating the date, time and place of the County Board Meeting and posted in two public posting locations and the county website verified by Linda K. Gebhard, County Clerk.

Roll Call, May 19, 2020

	Present	Absent	Excused
Carol Beals (ZOOM)	X		
John Beinborn	X		
Gregory Fry	X		
Roger Guthrie	X		
Dale Hood	X		
Lester Jantzen	X		
Robert Keeney	X		
Mike Lieurance (ZOOM)	X		
Dwight Nelson (ZOOM)	X		
Gary Northouse (ZOOM)	X		
John Patcle	X		
Gary Ranum	X		
Robert Scallon	X		
Patrick Schroeder	X		
Donald Splinter	X		

	Present	Absent	Excused
Mark Stead	X		
Porter Wagner	X		

Roll Call was taken by the County Clerk resulting in 17 present, 4 participating on ZOOM and 13 in person. Therefore, a quorum was present. There were also 35 participants via ZOOM.

Approval of Agenda: Porter Wagner, seconded by John Beinborn, made a motion to approve the amended agenda with one change. Chair Keeney stated item 22 states the meeting will reconvene at 3:00 p.m. after the Administrative Committee has established the committee assignments. He would like to change that time to 1:00 p.m. in hopes the Administrative Committee can complete the assignments earlier and the County Board Meeting will not run so late and there are some conflicts in waiting until 3:00 p.m. Therefore the motion carried to approve the amended agenda with a time change on item 22.

A motion was then made by John Beinborn seconded by Greg Fry to approve the amendment on the County Board of Supervisor original amended agenda to changing the reconvene time after the Administrative Committee adjourns to 1:00 p.m. instead of waiting until 3:00 p.m. Motion for amendment carried.

Approval of Minutes: Mark Stead, seconded by Gary Ranum, made a motion to approve the minutes of April 21, 2020 with 2 corrections on page three, spelling of Wiederholt and change the word “if” to “is” regarding the Communication Towers. Motion carried.

Communications: Chair Keeney informed the Board Members the County Government Workshops will be conducted using a webinar format due to social distancing requirements. Dates and Topics are as follows:

Monday, June 8, 2020 – 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

- Who We Are: The UW-Madison Division of Extension Local Government Center and the Wisconsin Counties Association
- Roles and Responsibilities for County Officials

Monday, June 15, 2020 - 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

- Wisconsin’s Open Meeting Law
- Agendas and Minutes

Monday June 22, 2020 – 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

- Running Effective Meetings
- County Budgeting

Monday, June 29, 2020 – 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

- Wisconsin’s Public Records Law
- Ethics and Conflicts of Interest

Speakers will include Attorney Philip Freeburg, Daniel Foth, Local Government Specialist, Sarah Diedrick-Kasdorf, and Deputy Director of Government Affairs at the Wisconsin Counties Association (WCA)

Chair Keeney also asked the Board Members to contact Linda Gebhard, County Clerk to let her know if they plan to attend the WCA Convention. The block to reserve rooms opens up on June 1, 2020. The WCA Convention will be held in Sauk County, Wisconsin Dells this year.

Memoriam for Gene Cooley: Chair Keeney read the Memoriam.

A motion was made by Roger Guthrie, seconded by Robert Scallon, to approve the Memoriam for Gene Cooley and send the Memoriam to the family of Gene Cooley. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION #01-20  
IN MEMORIAM OF GENE COOLEY**

The Grant County Board of Supervisors, assembled this 19<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2020 issues the following commemoration:

**WHEREAS**, the death of Gene Cooley from the Village of Woodman, Grant County, Wisconsin has come to the attention of this body; and

**WHEREAS**, Gene Cooley served on the Grant County Board of Supervisors from April 1955 to April 1957 representing the Village of Woodman;

**WHEREAS**, his many friends and acquaintances will long cherish in memory his willingness to serve through public office and to assist in the interest and welfare of Grant County.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Grant County Board of Supervisors commends the life and public service of Gene Cooley and that this memorial be set forth at length upon the minutes of the meeting and that a copy, properly attested by the signature of the Chairperson and the Clerk, be sent to the family.

/s/Robert C. Keeney, County Board Chair

/s/Linda K. Gebhard, Grant County Clerk

Appointment(s): Chair Keeney presented the candidates for the appointments to the Board for approval.

- ADRC Citizen Member – Lori Reid recommended Dave Janney to continue to service on the ADRC Regional Board of the ADRC Center of Southwest WI.

A motion was made by Dale Hood, seconded by Pat Schroeder, to approve Dave Janney to continue to service as a Citizen Member on the ADRC Regional Board for Grant County. Motion carried.

- Board of Adjustment – Lynda Schweikert, Conservation, Sanitation, and Zoning Director stated the current three members serving on the Board of Adjustments are willing to continue at this time. No changes will need to be made. In the future they will be looking for an Alternate Member in October.



- Southwest WI Library System – Chair Keeney asked for approval to reappoint Carol Ann Hood to continue to serve on the Southwest Library System Board for a three year term effective May 1, 2020 to April 2023.

A motion was made by Mark Stead, seconded by Porter Wagner to approve the reappointment of Carol Ann Hood to serve on the Southwest Library System Board for a three year term. Motion carried.

- Wisconsin River Rail Transit Commission – Chair Keeney stated currently this committee has three appointed members serving staggered terms. Gary Ranum's term will expire this year. He asked the Board how they wished to go forward with this appointment.

Robert Scallon, made a motion, seconded by Lester Jantzen to reappoint Gary Ranum to serve on the Wisconsin River Trail Transit Commission with his term expiring in 2023. Motion carried.

Grants: None

CDBG CLOSE Program for the County's Revolving Loan Fund – Ron Brisbois, Economic Development Director presented the information to the Board. This was presented at the Executive Committee, their recommendation was to send back to the State the cash on hand of \$460,782.26. The Revolving Loan Program was established through the US Department of Housing and Urban Development administered through the Department of Administration which is now being disbanded. The County now has to send the funds back to the State during the "Close Phase". The funds that are being sent back can be recouped for Block Grants, the county can fund up to four qualifying projects by January 2021. As the outstanding loan amounts are paid back, those payments will be sent on to the State as they come in; however on those payments, the County will not receive any credit for those. By turning the outstanding balance back to the State, the County will not carry any liability if these current loans are defaulted on going forward.

A motion was made by Porter Wagner, seconded John Beinborn, to follow the recommendation of the Executive Committee and instruct Ron Brisbois, Economic Development to send back to the State the cash on hand of \$460,782.26 and as the payments are paid back from the outstanding loans of \$524,238.23 those payments will be sent on to the State also. Motion carried.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Payment</b>	<b>4/13/2020</b>	<b>Last</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Principal</b>
		<b>Balance</b>	<b>Payment</b>	<b>Cont.</b>	
3-Rings	587.06	50,732.69	4/1/2020	2017	50,686.86
4X	488.60	46,127.81	4/1/2020	2018	46,078.58
Connected Chiropractic	188.54	13,891.09	4/1/2020	2015	13,879.68
Food Safety Group		191,308.89		2017	189,597.92
Fritz, LLC	1,298.92	30,414.59	4/1/2020	2015	30,389.61
Gro Alliance 2013	792.80	4,732.75	4/6/2020	2013	4,730.03
Hurs		31,632.37		2015	31,602.07
KJ Cold Storage		98,607.43		2018	98,330.11
Photonic's	478.41	25,625.56	4/1/2020	2018	25,591.90
Pink's Automotive 2010	239.41		4/13/2020	2010	paid in full
Pink's Cenex of Fennimore	1,131.24	18,519.30	4/13/2020	2014	18,515.30
SW Opportunity Center	<u>184.03</u>	<u>12,645.75</u>	4/6/2020	2015	<u>12,640.90</u>
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>5,389.29</b>	<b>524,238.23</b>			<b>522,043.96</b>
<b>Available Cash</b>	<b>\$460,782.26</b>				

Updates related to COVID-19: Chair Keeney had Jeff Kindrai give the COVID19 update to the County Board for Grant County.

Progress Report, Discussion & Possible action on Grant County Community Services Facility: Chair Keeney reported there are a few outstanding warranty issues which need to be addresses due to a delay by the COVID19 Pandemic. Garry Pluemer, Facility Maintenance Manager and Jack Johnson, Deputy Sheriff have been working with Brad Bierman on these issues, the front door being one of the issues.

Progress Report on City of Lancaster Sewer extension project: Chair Keeney reported the City of Lancaster will be closing out on the project. There are a couple easement issues; Dave Lambert has been working on those. The old treatment plant has been cleaned out and the waste has been removed. Tim Wiederholt will purchase the structure and will demolish and bury the remaining debris.

There remains to be a pile of rock from the 52 Building, there has been interest in the debris from many townships and some private entities.

2020 through 2021 WPPA Deputy Union Contract Tentative Agreement approval: Joyce Roling, Personnel presented the agreement to the Board. The agreement has been recommended for approval by the Executive Committee. This involves 23 deputies; it calls for the same wage increase all the other non-rep employees received, 1% on January 2020 and 1% July 2020. Also the same for 2021, 1% on January 2021 and 1% July 1, 2021. It also requests a step increase between the years 3 – 5, this will give them a year 4 increase which splits the difference between the increase of 3 to 5. The fiscal impact for 2020 would be \$21,000.00 for 2021 \$28,000.00. The other changes were mostly clean up changes, some grammatical changes, changes that reflect practices in play at this time that have never been made in the past.

Gary Ranum, seconded by Patrick Schroeder made a motion to approve the 2020-2021 WPPA Deputy Union Contract Agreement for Law Enforcement. The County Clerk was asked to take a roll call vote.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

**DATE: May 19, 2020**

**QUESTION: Approve the 2020-2021 WPPA Deputy Union Contract Agreement.**

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>EXCUSED</b>
1. GARY RANUM	X		
2. GARY NORTHOUSE (ZOOM)	X		
3. ROBERT SCALLON	X		
4. ROBERT KEENEY	X		
5. ROGER GUTHRIE	X		
6. JOHN PATCLE	X		
7. GREGORY FRY	X		
8. PATRICK SCHROEDER	X		
9. MIKE LIEURANCE (ZOOM)	X		
10. MARK STEAD	X		
11. DALE HOOD	X		
12. DWIGHT NELSON (ZOOM)	X		

	YES	NO	EXCUSED
13. CAROL BEALS (ZOOM)	X		
14. LESTER JANTZEN	X		
15. JOHN BEINBORN	X		
16. DONALD SPLINTER	X		
17. PORTER WAGNER	X		

County Clerk took the roll call vote resulting in 17 YES votes, therefore motion carried.

Promoted or Transferred Employee Policy revision: Joyce Roling, Personnel presented the amended Promoted/Transferred Employee Policy to the Board. The changes in red have been recommended for approval by the Executive Committee.

**PROMOTED OR TRANSFERRED EMPLOYEE POLICY**

~~Employees who are promoted shall be placed at that step in the pay range that results in a pay increase, and shall progress through the schedule consistent with the time between the increment~~ ~~step.~~  
~~Employees promoted to a management position, as determined by the Personnel Director, shall be placed at the step in the pay range that gives them a minimum of 5% increase above the base pay of those they are to supervise.~~

Employees transferred to a lower paying position shall be placed at step 2 on the wage schedule. Any alternative start rate shall be brought to the Executive Committee by the Department Head and the Personnel Director with consideration of knowledge, experience, and wage placements of existing employees in the same position as to achieve internal equity.

Final decision regarding placement of the position in the pay plan shall rest with the Executive Committee.

(Revised 4/18/06; 5/4/06; 11/08/2011, 2/19/2013, 01/23/2018, 05/21/2019, 05/17/2020)

A motion was made by Carol Beals, seconded by Greg Fry to approve the amendments to the Promoted or Transferred Employee Policy for Grant County. Motion carried.

Discussion and possible action on AMENDED RULES OF THE GRANT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:  
Chair Keeney presented the amended rules of the Grant County Board of Supervisors. The red print reflects the new changes the green print reflects prior changes to the rules. The biggest change being the request to go back to the member participation in the committees as in 2018. Chair Keeney asked for discussion.

Gary Ranum has a question on the machinery purchases stated in the Administrative Committee section, were it stated the committee "shall approve or disapprove all equipment desired by departments throughout the year unless otherwise delegated". Gary felt that in the past the county was trying to get away from one committee determining machinery needs and requests; those duties would be handled within the department and in the budgets of those departments.

Chair Keeney stated this is the intent of the County, the previous machinery requests that used to be made under the Public Property was because that committee had a budget. The current Administrative Committee has no budget so therefore the machinery requests are to be implemented within the Departments budget. There probably could be some wording clean up made but by leaving the wording this way, it will catch any equipment or machine items that may not have been covered under the original Public Property and therefore those items in question by the Department would have to be

brought before the Administrative Committee for discussion. And also, if the item needed would be outside the ability of the Departments budget, the County Board would have the final say because it would then have to be purchased out of the General Fund. Therefore the wording would remain the same.

Mark Stead questioned the statement in the ADRC Section stating, "This committee shall be appointed by the Chairperson of the County Board." He felt citizen member should be stated for clarification. The Board agreed with this change and suggested this wording be implemented in the new Rules as follows.

**AMENDED RULES OF THE GRANT COUNTY  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Adopted May 19, 2020

Effective as of May 19, 2020

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED:** That the following shall constitute the rules of the Grant County Board of Supervisors and Committees thereof, which the County Board hereby enacts pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes §59.51.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That any modifications or amendments to the rules of the Grant County Board of Supervisors and Committees shall first be reviewed and recommended for approval by the Administrative Committee. The full County Board of Supervisors shall take action at a subsequent Board meeting. A copy of the proposed amendments shall be distributed to the County Board by the County Clerk for review and comment prior to final approval.

**Article I- The Board**

**Section A – Chairperson:**

The Chairperson, or other presiding officer, shall preside at all meetings, maintain decorum, rule upon points of order, vote upon matters and be recorded as other members. In the absence of the Chairperson, the first Vice-Chairperson shall preside or in their absence the second Vice-Chairperson shall conduct the meeting.

**Section B – Quorum:**

A majority of the members shall constitute a quorum.

**Section C - Order of Business:**

The regular order of business shall be:

- (1) Roll Call.
- (2) Certification of the open meeting law.
- (3) Reading and correction of the minutes of the previous meeting.
- (4) Reception of memorials, petitions, and communications.
- (5) Unfinished or old business.
- (6) Reception and consideration of resolutions.
- (7) Consideration of committee reports.
- (8) Special orders.

**Section D – Motions:**

No motion shall be debated unless seconded. It shall then be stated by the Chairperson, and if requested by a member, reduced to writing. A motion may be withdrawn by its proponent, with the consent of the seconder, at any time before the amendment or decision.

**Section E – Parliamentarian:**

The Corporation Counsel shall attend Board meetings and serve as parliamentarian and legal advisor to the Board. In the absence of the Corporation Counsel, the Chairperson may appoint a parliamentarian.

**Section F – Convening Time:**

Unless a different time has been specified, all sessions of the Board shall convene at 10:00 a.m.

#### Section G – Resolutions and Action:

1. Every written resolution shall be signed by at least one member, except resolutions presented by a committee which shall be signed by a majority of the committee.
2. Ordinance and resolutions to be acted upon at a given Board Meeting must be delivered to the County Clerk's office, prior to 3:00 p.m., at least one week before said Board Meeting and mailed to each supervisor at least two days prior to the meeting calling for action. Exception: Except under emergency conditions so declared and approved by the majority of the Board. All written resolutions and ordinances shall be prepared by or examined by the Corporation Counsel prior to their introduction and shall so indicate on their face.

It shall be the responsibility of the sponsoring committee or supervisor to have the matter prepared in the form to be acted on and to have legal, fiscal, and administrative notes attached.

3. All proposals which have been acted on by a committee or presented to the County Clerk shall be reported to the County Board Chairperson who shall cause them to be placed on an agenda.

#### Section H – Education:

One day of education for new members of the Board shall be set by the Chairperson of the Board, said day of education to be held every two years to coincide with the elections. Continuing county board members are urged to participate in the educational program.

### **Article II-Board Procedures**

#### Section A-Speaking:

No member shall speak except after raising their hand and recognition by the Chairperson. In case two or more members raise their hand at once, the Chairperson shall designate their order of speaking. No member shall speak again until all in opposition who desire have been heard.

#### Section B-Voting:

Every vote upon the levy of a tax or providing an appropriation of money shall be by call of the roll. All other voting shall be by voice of the majority, and if the Chairperson be in doubt thereof, he/she shall call for a vote by a show of hands, unless the majority of the Board shall have requested any other manner of voting. Any member may request call of the roll on any question.

#### Section C-Tie Votes:

In case of a tie vote, the motion shall be lost except in case of an appeal. In case of a tie vote, any member may present the same question again.

#### Section D-Interruptions:

No member who has the floor shall be subject to interruption except by a point of order, a point of personal privilege, or a point of parliamentary inquiry.

#### Section E-Robert's Rules of Order:

In all cases of questions as to procedure or practice not specifically covered by the rules, ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER, shall, where applicable, apply.

#### Section F-Speaking by Non-Members:

Non-County Board persons shall not be allowed to address the Board on an agenda item unless a Board member has first requested permission for such person to speak or individuals have signed a request with the County Clerk prior to the meeting. This rule shall not apply during public hearings conducted while the Board is acting as a Committee-of-the-whole.

#### Section G-Code of Ethics:

The code of ethics for elected officials will be governed by the state statute.

#### Section H-Motions by Chairperson:

The Chairperson, or other presiding officer of a committee, may make motions and may second a motion that has been moved by another committee member.

### **Article III- Committees**

#### Section A-Committee Officers:

The Chairperson of the Board shall be ex-officio, a member of each committee of the Board, and shall call the first meeting of each committee and act as its Chairperson until a Chairperson has been

selected by the committee. Each committee shall also select a Vice-Chairperson and a Secretary, who may keep the minutes of the committee. The County Clerk shall keep all minutes personally or through their appointee which may include, but is not limited to, the committee Secretary.

#### Section B – Committee Procedures:

Committee Chairperson or designee shall call all meetings and notify the County Clerk as to time and place of each meeting at least three (3) days ahead of such meetings unless there is an emergency situation. **Committee Chairperson will regularly communicate with Department Heads of committee jurisdiction. This consultation will include operations and discussion of possible agenda items to determine the need for regular monthly or special meetings of said committee.**

The meeting of all committees shall be open to the public except closed sessions allowed by statute, and each committee shall within one week of the minutes' approval, file in the office of the County Clerk, a complete report of its attendance and proceedings held in open session. Copies of resolutions and ordinances are to be submitted to the County Clerk and County Board Chairperson. All members of the County Board who are to be reimbursed for committee work shall submit their claims on a voucher to the County Clerk, who will then place it in a file with other regular claims to be paid at a regular monthly finance audit. Per Diem and mileage paid County Board members through any calendar year shall be compiled in the office of the County Clerk for annual publication in January of the following year. No bill or account shall be allowed, nor order passed whereby any money is paid out or expended, until said bill, account or subject matter has been referred to the appropriate committee and a report made thereof. All committee meetings held in facilities owned or leased by the County shall be electronically recorded.

#### Section C– Special Committees

The Board may, from time to time, create special committees for a particular purpose by resolution providing the purpose and the membership thereof. The Chairperson of the County Board, subject to confirmation by the Board, may appoint Supervisors to regional, state and other Committees.

#### Section D – Chairpersons:

Each County Board member shall be limited to chairing two (2) committees. A County Board Supervisor can be a Chairperson of the same committee for a maximum of two (2) consecutive terms.

In the event of the inability of any committee Chairperson to continue serving as Chairperson, the Vice-Chairperson will assume that position regardless of the number of Chairpersonships held by the person.

#### Section E– The Committees:

All powers exercised by a committee, board or commission are subject to general supervision of the County Board and any regulations prescribed by the board. County Board Supervisors are required to attend County Board meetings as well as meetings of committees of which they are a member. If a County Board Supervisor is unable to attend a County Board meeting or a committee meeting, the County Board Supervisor who is unable to attend the meeting must contact the County Board Chair in advance of the meeting to request to be excused from the meeting. If a County Board Supervisor is unable to attend a committee meeting, the County Board Supervisor may notify in advance the Committee Chair or Department Head of the committee they are unable to attend and seek to be excused from the committee meeting. Three consecutive unexcused absences from a committee meeting shall constitute a resignation from that committee. The Administrative Committee will then appoint a person to fill the vacancy according to board policy or state statute.

The following shall constitute the standing committees of the Board, whose duties shall be as hereinafter stated:

##### **(E) 1. Administrative Committee:**

The Administrative Committee shall have seven members on it who are County Board Members. The County Board Chairperson, First Vice-Chairperson, and Second Vice-Chairperson shall be members of this Committee. The Administrative Committee shall every two years recommend to the Chairperson

of the County Board as to the appointment of members to the standing committees of the Board. The Administrative Committee shall endeavor to appoint each County Board Supervisor to an equal number of committees and shall not overlap appointments between Administrative and Executive Committees. The Administrative Committee shall take up to three days following the first County Board Meeting after a County Board supervisory election to determine what committees each County Board Supervisor shall be on. The County Board Chair shall file a list of committee appointments in the office of the County Clerk within a week thereafter and the Clerk shall forthwith mail a copy thereof to each board member. The Administrative Committee shall also be charged with examining and reporting to the Board concerning all legislation affecting the County pending in the Wisconsin Legislature and in Congress if necessary. The Administrative Committee shall further be charged with proposing a redistricting plan to the County Board when required by Wisconsin Statutes. Moreover, the Administrative Committee shall be charged with performing strategic planning for Grant County. The strategic planning to be done by the Administrative Committee includes assessing and evaluating the County's overall future needs to produce fundamental decisions and actions that shape and guide what the County does to increase effectiveness and efficiency through goals and objectives. This includes, but is not limited to, facilities planning, sharing, and consolidating of resources, improving communication, marketing, and transportation infrastructure. This committee shall have charge of maintenance and repair of the Grant County Courthouse, Administrative Building, and Community Services Building. It shall maintain insurance coverage on all county property and shall investigate and supervise all county property and liability insurance programs. It shall prepare an inventory of all county property and keep such on file and up to date. It shall approve or disapprove all equipment desired by departments throughout the year unless otherwise delegated. All requests for items shall be made through the proper committee. The committee shall sell, trade or destroy obsolete equipment and machinery in their charge deemed no longer useful to the County unless otherwise delegated. The members of this committee are elected.

**(A) 2. Executive Committee:**

The Executive Committee shall be comprised of the County Board Chairperson, the First Vice-Chairperson, and the Second Vice-Chairperson along with four other County Board members. This committee shall have seven members. The Executive Committee shall prepare and examine all resolutions for the expenditure of money and make recommendations on all money matters, including investment of same. It shall have charge of bonds of County officers. All departments and any business not specific to other committees shall be the responsibility of the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall arrange a work session on the budget by the whole County Board on the first Tuesday in October, at which time each department will present their budget to the County Board. The Executive Committee shall further be charged with setting the policy of each department in a manner consistent with Wisconsin Statutes and when called upon for the purpose. This committee shall hear and consider the grievances reported by County Departments, County Officers, and County Employees, and to make their recommendations to the County Board after sufficient consideration with the committee responsible. The Executive Committee shall recommend to the County Board the compensation of all County Officers and employees. This committee shall further receive from all committees responsible for hiring employees, all matters pertaining to staff hire, salary, working hours and conditions, employee benefits including dental, health and life insurance, and departmental problems. This committee shall further be charged with overseeing the county's electronic communication services and purchases ensuring efficiency, cost effectiveness and compatibility with the county's future technology needs in mind. This includes but is not limited to, software, hardware, copiers, printers, facsimile machines, servers, and service contracts. The members of this committee are appointed.

**(A) 3. Conservation, Sanitation & Zoning Committee:**

This committee shall be comprised of six (6) County Board members plus one Farm Service Agency member. This committee shall have supervision and direction of land conservation matters as prescribed by Wisconsin Statutes Chapter 92 and shall meet the requirements of Wisconsin Statutes

Section 92.06. This Committee shall have general supervision over the offices of the Zoning Department and the County Sanitarian as provided by law. This Committee shall be responsible for the land use plan and shall draft proposed zoning ordinance changes for the County and shall oversee the administration of such ordinances as adopted. The members of this committee are appointed.

**(E)4. Highway/D-MATS Committee/River Access:**

The Highway Committee and the DMATS Committee shall be combined to form the Highway/DMATS Committee. This committee shall be comprised of five County Board members who shall be elected as provided in Wisconsin Statutes §83.015 and for the term set forth in said statute. This committee shall be charged with performing the duties required under Wisconsin Statutes §83.015. The committee shall make recommendations to the County Board concerning all highway matters referred to it. This committee shall be responsible for the construction and maintenance of the public access points to the rivers bordering and within the County. The members of this committee are elected.

**(A) 5. Aging and Disability Resource Center Committee of Southwest Wisconsin-Grant County:**

The citizen members of this committee shall be appointed by the Chairperson of the County Board, subject to confirmation by the County Board, and shall consist of seven (7) members, two of which shall be County Board members which are designated by the Administrative Committee and five (5) members shall be citizens. 59% of the members must be over sixty years of age. This committee shall act as the clearinghouse for all County Programs on Aging.

**(A) 6. Unified Community Services Board:**

This board shall be composed of eleven members, three of which are to be Grant County Board members. The members of this committee shall be charged with performing the duties required under Chapter 51 of the Wisconsin Statutes and its members shall serve for the term set forth in said statutes. Members of this board shall meet the requirements set forth in Wisconsin Statutes Chapter 51.42. The members of this board shall be appointed.

**(A) 7. Law Enforcement and Emergency Management Committee:**

It shall be the duty of this committee to confer with and supervise the needs, powers, and duties of the Sheriff of Grant County and his/her deputies and shall present to the County Board from time to time such suggestions that said committee may have concerning law enforcement and other duties required by the Sheriff's Department; it shall investigate and report on all claims against the County pertaining to the Sheriff, Deputy Sheriffs and Justice Accounts; it shall make an inspection twice yearly of the County Jail; it shall provide the necessary books and see that proper jail records are kept; it shall have charge of all matters pertaining to the operations of the police radio system; it shall make recommendations regarding enforcement of traffic laws; and it shall have jurisdiction over all claims of the County Coroner. Any claim against the County from a Humane Officer shall be referred to this committee. This committee is hereby designated as the Audit Committee for the purpose specified in Wisconsin Statutes, relative to Justice Accounts. This committee shall also be in charge of the County Emergency Management Disaster Services Program as per § 323.14 of the Wisconsin State Statutes, as well as oversight committee for the Grant County Coroner. This committee shall be comprised of the Grant Board Chair and six (6) County Board members. The members of this committee are appointed.

**(A) 8. Board of Health:**

This committee shall have general supervision over the office of the County Health Department as provided by law and shall perform such other duties as provided for under Chapters 250 and 251 of the Wisconsin Statutes. This committee shall be comprised of five (5) County Board members plus three (3) citizen members, one of which is the Medical Director. The members of this committee are appointed.

**(A)9. Orchard Manor/County Farm Committee:**

This committee shall supervise and direct all matters pertaining to Orchard Manor and the Farm. This committee shall be comprised of five County Board members. The members of this committee are appointed.



**(E)10. Ag/Extension-Education Committee/Fair Board:**

This committee shall supervise and direct all matters pertaining to the Extension, Fair and certain agriculture. It shall examine all accounts of the County Extension Service and have supervision thereof. This committee shall also supervise the operation of the fairgrounds and its buildings and the Grant County Fair. This committee shall have charge of county publicity, development of recreation, and the attraction of industry to the County. It shall be responsible for the fish and game propagation program. This committee shall be comprised of **six (6)** County Board members. The members of this committee are elected.

**(E)11. Social Services Board:**

This Board shall consist of **seven (7)** County Board members whose terms shall expire as provided by State Statute. Each member shall serve a term as set forth in Wisconsin Statutes § 46.22 or until his successor is elected and qualifies. It shall perform all duties required by § 46.22 of the Wisconsin Statutes. The members of this committee are elected **with staggered terms**.

**(A)12. Veterans Committee:**

This committee will act as a liaison between the Veterans Service Office and the County Board. It shall meet with the Veterans Service Commission and shall have equal voice in the affairs of the Veterans Service office. This committee shall be comprised of two County Board members plus three citizen members. The members of this committee are appointed.

Other committee appointments to be made.

**Community Action Program (C.A.P.).** The **two (2) Grant County Board** members of this committee are appointed.

**Hidden Valleys.** The **Grant County Board** member of this committee is appointed.

**Library.** The **Grant County Board** member of this committee is appointed. **Citizen members may also be appointed.**

**Railroad.** The **three (3) Grant County Board** members of this committee are appointed **to rotating three year terms**.

**Local Emergency Planning Committee.** The members of this committee are appointed.

**Article IV-Miscellaneous Provisions**

**Section A-Packet of Information for Candidates:**

A description of expectations, a copy of these rules, and the County Board Compensation and Mileage Reimbursement Policy will be included in a packet of information to be handed out by the County Clerk to any person taking out papers for a County Board supervisory position.

**Section B-Self Organized County:**

Grant County is hereby a self-organized county as allowed by Wisconsin Statutes § 59.10.

**Section C-Cancellation for Registration/Motel Cancellation Penalty Fee:**

Grant County Supervisors are responsible for fees associated with attending a Convention for which they cancel or do not attend after arrangements are finalized. These fees can include registration and room accommodations made on behalf of the Supervisor by Grant County staff. Discretion regarding the reason for cancelling (possible health reason, death in the family, etc.) should be a determining factor for enforcement of this penalty.

**Section C-Section D-Effective Date:**

These amended rules are effective as of **May 19, 2020**.

A motion was made by Mark Stead, seconded by John Beinborn, to approve the Grant County Board of Supervisor Rules with the amendment regarding citizen member appointment for ADRC as printed above, effective May 19, 2020. Motion carried.

Discussion and possible action on GRANT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RULES FOR PARTICIPATION IN MEETINGS BY TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL OR OTHER ELECTRONIC MEANS: Chair Keeney and Ben Wood, Corporation Counsel presented the rules for participation in meetings by telephone conference call or electronic means for discussion.

John Beinborn questioned the quorum stipulation, that a quorum cannot be called if there are not enough members present; a quorum cannot be called via telephone or other electronic means of participation.

Ben Wood, Corporation Counsel stated we are operating under Roberts Rules of Order and the State Statutes 59.02 (3) which states a quorum needs to be present. In order to change that interpretation of Roberts Rules of Order or the State Statutes it would require a county policy or procedure to be drawn up regarding the meaning of “physical presence”. The County runs under Roberts Rules, we would need to be very careful because this is such a grey area in the rules and State Statutes, this has not been challenged at this point. We can operate in this manner presently because of the COVID-19 Pandemic, we have deemed the county will function via ZOOM meetings, but once we go back to the “new normal” we would have to be very careful in using this method. This pertains to both the full County Board and committees.

Ben stated he would error on the side of caution because of the interpretation of present, does that mean physically present or not, this has not been established at this time, this is new territory to all of us because of the Pandemic which has forced us to use this form of meetings. If ever there is a reoccurrence of a pandemic we can go back to this form because of the proclamations we have established.

Ben stated he could follow up with the Wisconsin Counties Association to see what their interpretation would be. Ben would like to contact the Attorney General to get his opinion. There are some questions he has also, when you use the ZOOM Meeting who is paying for the time used during the meeting, the number is a Chicago number are we paying long distance. Carol Beals asked Ben to ask about the ADA requirements for handicap persons; the county should have an idea of what we are up against in dealing equally if one of the board members would be handicapped. Ben stated this is a little different issue because the quorum definition is the point but it would be good to have an idea regarding any handicap participation.

Porter Wagner, seconded by Greg Fry, made a motion to accept the updated Rules for the Grant County Board of Supervisor’s for participation in meetings by telephone conference call or other electronic means as presented contingent on further information received from Ben Wood regarding possible changes in the meaning of “Present” and Per Diems would be included in the participation. Motion carried with one negative vote by John Beinborn.

Gary Ranum has a question, “since we are not following these rules during the emergency status when does the emergency declaration expire”? Ben Wood stated whenever the board decides it is time to withdraw it.

## **GRANT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RULES FOR PARTICIPATION IN MEETINGS BY TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL OR OTHER ELECTRONIC MEANS**

Members may be permitted to attend, participate and vote at meetings by telephone conference call or other electronic means under the following conditions:

A. The definitions of the terms "meeting;" "government body;" "open session;" or any other defined term used in these rules is found in the Chapter 19 of the Wisconsin Statutes. The definition of "quorum" or any other definition shall be as described in the Grant County Board rules.

B. All pertinent provisions of the Wisconsin Open Meetings Law must be complied with, including specifically the proper notice of any regular or special meeting, the proper record keeping or minutes of each meeting, the appropriate agenda preparation for each meeting, which in addition shall be posted along with the notice of meeting; and in particular, any use of closed sessions shall be in compliance with the provisions of the law.

C. Pursuant to the Wisconsin Open Meetings Law governmental bodies are prohibited from establishing a quorum to conduct business at an open or closed meeting through the attendance of board members by the use of telephone conference calls or other electronic means without giving proper notice. A quorum of members of the board or committee MUST be physically present at the location of an open or closed meeting. Only additional members. i.e., those members not part of the required physically present quorum, may attend by telephone conference call or other electronic means including ZOOM.

D. If a quorum of the Board is physically present, a majority of the Board may allow a board member to attend a meeting through telephone conference call or other electronic means if his or her physical presence at the meeting is prevented due to (1) personal illness or disability; (2) employment purposes or the business of the Board; or (3) a family or other emergency.

E. That sufficient security and identification procedures be employed, either at the outset of any meeting or at any time during the meeting as appropriate, to ensure that any and all members attending for discussion or voting purposes are in fact an authorized member with the right to speak and vote.

F. Members who wish to attend a meeting by telephone conference call or other electronic means must give the Chair of the meeting at least 24 hours advance notice before the commencement of the meeting so that a call-in number may be established, unless such advanced notice is impracticable and a call-in number has already been established.

G. As soon as it becomes apparent to the Board that a meeting will include telephone conferencing or other electronic means, all subsequent notices of the meeting shall indicate that one or more Board members may be attending by electronic means. In the event that the notice of the meeting has already been disseminated and posted, an amended notice indicating the above shall be placed as soon as possible. In the event any news media have filed the annual request for notice of meetings, they shall receive an updated notice in the same manner as given to all members of the Board or as the original notice was given.

H. All board members attending meetings by telephone conference call or other electronic means shall be entitled to vote as if they were personally and physically present at the meeting site so long as the telephone or other electronic connection exists and a physical quorum of the Board or Committee is present, but their votes shall be recorded by the Secretary as done by electronic attendance.

I. The meeting minutes shall indicate the (i) members of the Board who were either present or absent from the meeting and whether those members in attendance were physically present or present by telephone conference call video conference or other electronic means; and (ii) for those Board members who attend by telephone conference call or other electronic means, and in the event the entire meeting is not so attended by such members, the minutes shall indicate those portions of the meeting that were attended by telephone conference call or other electronic means.

J. The location of the meeting included on the notice shall be equipped with a suitable speaker phone system or transmission system in order that the public audience, the Board members in attendance, and any staff or guests will be able to hear any input, vote, or discussion of the teleconference or other electronic conferencing.

K. This policy shall not be construed to mean that conferencing by electronic means shall be regularly used or used at every meeting of the Board but shall be used only as necessary to allow the participation of Board members who are unable to attend in person due to such circumstances as listed in these rules.

L. If there is a closed session during the meeting, any Board members present through telephonic or electronic means must certify if telephonic that no one else is on the phone or has access to the phone and if electronic the Board members must show with their camera that they are the only person in the room.

Election for Elected Committees: Chair Keeney opened the election.

**ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE:** Chair Keeney opened up the nominations for the Administrative Committee members, 4 members are needed. A ballot will be used and the Zoom participants can call in their vote on a special telephone number to record their vote.

Mark Stead nominated Roger Guthrie, he declined the nomination.

Greg Fry nominated John Beinborn

John Patcle nominated Pat Schroeder

Roger Guthrie nominated Porter Wagner

John Beinborn nominated Robert Scallon

Chair Keeney repeated the call of nominations three time, none were given. Therefore, nominations were closed. Gary Ranum asked if it would be out of line to have a show of hands of the members who may be interested. This was not objected to, it is possible for someone to nominate themselves.

Lester Jantzen, seconded by Greg Fry made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for the four candidates who were nominated. John Beinborn, Patrick Schroeder, Porter Wagner and Robert Scallon were voted as members on the Administrative Committee. Motion carried.

**SOCIAL SERVICE:** Chair Keeney opened up the nominations for the Social Services Committee members. This committee will be increased to a 7 member committee. Don Splinter and Dwight Nelson terms expire in 2020, John Beinborn, Greg Fry and Dale Hood are on the committee, and their terms do not expire until 2021. Therefore, 4 members are needed. Going forward there will be staggered positions, two positions for three year terms, two positions for a one year term; the other members will remain on the committee to compete their terms.

Lester Jantzen nominated Donald Splinter

John Beinborn nominated Dwight Nelson

John Beinborn nominated Lester Jantzen

Robert Scallon nominated Mike Lieurance, he declined the nomination

John Patcle nominated Robert Scallon

Patrick Schroeder nominated Gary Ranum, he declined the nomination

Chair Keeney repeated the nomination three times, no other nominations were given.

John Patcle, seconded by Gary Ranum made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for the four candidates who were nominated. Donald Splinter, Dwight Nelson, Lester Jantzen and Robert Scallon were voted as members on the Social Services Committee. Motion carried.

Patrick Schroeder, seconded by Roger Guthrie, to help keep the positions staggered, Don Splinter and Dwight Nelson be elected to a three year term, Lester Jantzen and Robert Scallon be elected to a one year, Dale Hood and John Beinborn will expire in 2022 and Greg Fry will expire in 2021. Motion carried.

**HIGHWAY COMMITTEE:** Chair Keeney opened up the nominations for the Highway Committee members. Five members are needed.

Robert Scallon nominated Don Splinter  
John Beinborn nominated Lester Jantzen  
John Patcle nominated Mark Stead  
Mark Stead nominated John Patcle  
Mark Stead nominated Dwight Nelson  
Gary Ranum nominated Gary Ranum  
John Beinborn nominated Dale Hood

A ballot vote was called for; Ben Wood handed out paper ballots to the members in person; the ZOOM participants will call their vote in by phone.

Tabulations were taken by the County Clerk, Linda K. Gebhard; five members were needed resulting in the following:

Don Splinter	15
Lester Jantzen	13
Mark Stead	15
John Patcle	13
Dwight Nelson	12
Gary Ranum	9
Dale Hood	6
John Beinborn	Not a candidate received 1 vote

Therefore, the new members on the Highway Committee will be Donald Splinter, Lester Jantzen, Mark Stead, John Patcle and Dwight Nelson.

**AG AND EXTENSION/FAIR COMMITTEE:** Chair Keeney opened up the nominations for the Ag and Extension Committee members. Six members are needed.

John Patcle nominated Patrick Schroeder  
Mark Stead nominated Roger Guthrie  
John Patcle nominated Mark Stead  
Patrick Schroeder nominated John Patcle  
Roger Guthrie nominated Gary Northouse  
Patrick Schroeder nominated Mike Lieurance

Chair Keeney called for nomination three more times, hearing none a motion was called for.

John Patcle, seconded by John Beinborn, made a motion to close nomination and cast a unanimous ballot for Patrick Schroeder, Roger Guthrie, Mark Stead, John Patcle, Gary Northouse and Mike Lieurance to serve on the Ag and Extension/ Fair Committee. Motion carried.

566th Zoning Amendment: Justin Johnson, presented the zoning amendment to the Board. The amendment was approved by the township boards and Conservation, Sanitation, Zoning Committee. There were some neighbors who opposed Petition 20-09 because it involved prime farm land. In their discussion, the owner stated the parcels involved were not considered prime farm land; this satisfied their opposition at the township level.

Porter Wagner, seconded by Greg Fry, made a motion to approve the 566 Zoning Amendment including Petitions 20-08 Guy and Sally Stead, Lima Township and Petition 20-09 Tranel Revocable Trust, Jamestown Township. Motion carried with two nay votes by Robert Keeney and Roger Guthrie.

**566<sup>th</sup> AMENDMENT TO THE  
GRANT COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE  
May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

**WHEREAS**, a petition for map amendment was filed and a public hearing was held by the Grant County Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning Committee, meeting the requirements of Chapter 59.69 (5) (e) 2.

**WHEREAS**, a proof of publication and giving notice to each affected township clerk of such hearing is attached to this document. Chapter 59.69 (5) (e) 4

**WHEREAS**, the Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning Committee now recommends to the Board of Supervisors of Grant County the adoption of the following map amendments.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Grant County Board of Supervisors does ordain as follows. That the Zoning District Map for Grant County will be amended to reflect the following:

**PETITION #20-08:** Rezone request for Guy & Sally Stead, PIN: 030-00410-0000 to change the zoning classification from Farmland Preservation to Agricultural-2 (A-2) to allow for the use of a nonfarm residence. This is for +/- 1.32 acres in the SE ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 18, T4N, R1W, in Lima Township

**PETITION #20-09:** Rezone request for Tranel Revocable Trust, PIN: 026-00042-0000 & PIN: 026-00044-0000 to change the zoning classification from Farmland Preservation to Agricultural-2 (A-2) to allow for the use of four nonfarm residences. This is for +/- 4.0 acres in the NW ¼ of the NE ¼ & SW ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 2, T1N, R2W, in Jamestown Township

Adopted by the Grant County Board of Supervisors this 19<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2020

/s/ Robert Keeney, County Board Chairman      /s/ **Attest:** Linda Gebhard, County Clerk

Recess to allow the Administrative Committee to work on Committee appointments: Chair Keeney recessed the County Board of Supervisor meeting so the Administrative Committee could meet to work on the committee assignments.

Reconvene County Board meeting at 3:00 p.m.: The Grant County Board of Supervisor was reconvened at 1:00 p.m. to present the committee assignments to the full County Board. The following assignments were presented:

**ADMINISTRATIVE (Elected)**

Robert Keeney  
Porter Wagner  
John Beinborn  
Patrick Schroeder  
Robert Scallon  
Mark Stead  
John Patcle

**AG AND EXTENSION/FAIR (Elected)**

Roger Guthrie  
Mike Lieurance  
Gary Northouse  
John Patcle  
Patrick Schroeder  
Mark Stead

**ADRC**

Dale Hood  
Lester Jantzen

**CONSERVATION, SANITATION, ZONING**

Lester Jantzen  
Mike Lieurance  
Gary Northouse  
Patrick Schroeder  
Mark Stead  
Porter Wagner

**EXECUTIVE/TECHNOLOGY**

Robert Keeney  
Mike Lieurance  
Dwight Nelson  
John Patcle  
Gary Ranum  
Donald Splinter  
Mark Stead

**HEALTH**

Carol Beals  
Greg Fry  
Dwight Nelson  
Robert Scallon  
Porter Wagner

**HIGHWAY/RIVER ACCESS/DMATS (Elected)**

Lester Jantzen  
Dwight Nelson  
John Patcle  
Donald Splinter  
Mark Stead

**LAW ENFORCEMENT/EMERGENCY  
MANAGEMENT**

John Beinborn  
Greg Fry  
Roger Guthrie  
Robert Keeney  
Gary Northouse  
Gary Ranum  
Porter Wagner

**LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING**

Robert Keeney

**ORCHARD MANOR/FARM**

John Beinborn  
Greg Fry  
Roger Guthrie  
Dale Hood  
Donald Splinter

**LIBRARY** Dale Hood**HIDDEN VALLEY**

Robert Scallon

**WI RIVER TRANSIT – RAILROAD**

Mike Lieurance (term expires 2021)  
Robert Scallon (term expires 2022)  
Gary Ranum (term expires 2023)

**SOCIAL SERVICES (Elected)**

Greg Fry (term expires 2021)  
Lester Jantzen (term expires 2021)  
Robert Scallon (term expires 2021)  
John Beinborn (term expires 2022)  
Dale Hood (term expires 2022)  
Dwight Nelson (term expires 2023)  
Donald Splinter (term expires 2023)

**UNIFIED**

Carol Beals  
Gary Ranum  
Patrick Schroeder

**VETERANS**

Lester Jantzen  
Mike Lieurance

**SOUTHWEST COMMUNITY ACTION (CAP)**

Carol Beals  
Dale Hood

## **ECONOMIC, TOURISM & RESOURCE**

Carol Beals

John Beinborn

Robert Keeney

Committee participants were also stated; some members received three committees up to five committees. Some Board Members had requested only to serve on three committees; this was respected by the committee.

Roger Guthrie asked if the Board Members could dispute the assignments they received going forward, Chair Keeney stated that has happened in the past and it could be dealt with in the future. He stated it should be understood the time frame they were trying to complete this process had been very challenging.

Action on Committee appointments: A motion was made by Roger Guthrie, seconded by Lester Jantzen to approve the committee assignments as stated. Voice vote was taken, no opposed, therefore, motion carried.

Adjournment: Robert Scallon made a motion, seconded by Mark Stead to adjourn the meeting pursuant to the next meeting on June 16, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. Motion carried.



**Grant County Board of Supervisors  
June 16, 2020**

The Grant County Board of Supervisors met on Tuesday, June 16, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. in the Ag and Extension Building, South Room, 916 East Elm Street, Lancaster, WI 53813 pursuant to the adjournment of the May 19, 2020 meeting.

While the Organizational Meeting of the Grant County Board of Supervisors is considered an “Essential Government Operation” pursuant to the State’s Safer at Home Order, the meeting will be offered with the option to participate via Zoom meeting. Live participation in this meeting will be limited to Grant County Board Supervisors, County Clerk, and Corporation Counsel. Social distancing and other safety precautions associated with COVID-19 protocol will be followed.

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Consideration will be given and/or action taken on any or all of the following items:

Robert Keeney, County Board Chair called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Verification of compliance with the open meeting law was a notice in the Herald Independent stating the date, time and place of the County Board Meeting and posted in two public posting locations and the county website verified by Linda K. Gebhard, County Clerk.

Roll Call, June 16, 2020

	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>Excused</b>
Carol Beals (ZOOM)	X		
John Beinborn (ZOOM)	X		
Gregory Fry (ZOOM)	X		
Roger Guthrie	X		
Dale Hood	X		
Lester Jantzen	X		
Robert Keeney	X		
Mike Lieurance	X		
Dwight Nelson (ZOOM)	X		
Gary Northouse (ZOOM)	X		
John Patcle	X		
Gary Ranum	X		
Robert Scallon	X		
Patrick Schroeder	X		
Donald Splinter	X		
Mark Stead	X		
Porter Wagner	X		

Roll Call was taken by the County Clerk resulting in 17 present, 5 participating on ZOOM and 12 in person. Therefore, a quorum was present.

Other Participants who joined the Grant County Board of Supervisor Meeting via ZOOM were as follows: Dave Lambert, Highway Commissioner, Garry Pluemer, Maintenance, Dave Timmerman, Herald Independent, Amy Olson, Fair, Carrie Eastlick, Treasurer, Jack Johnson, Chief Deputy Sheriff, Jeff Kindrai, Health Director, Doug Wagen, Media, Lynda Schweikert, Conservation, Sanitation, Zoning, Deb Udelhoven, Carry Kersteins, Child Support, Amanda Degenhardt, Finance Director, James Schneider, Extension Office, Joyce Roling, Personnel, Fred Naatz, Social Services, Justin Johnson, Conservation, Sanitation, Zoning, Tonya White, Emergency Management, Shane Drinkwater, IT, Lori Reid, ADRC.

Approval of Agenda: Patrick Schroeder, seconded by Don Splinter, made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Robert Scallon, seconded by Mark Stead, made a motion to approve the minutes of May 19, 2020 with 3 corrections, page 18 correction of the spelling of Supervisor Patrick Schroeder, page 19, change Highway nominations to Ag and Extension and page 6 strike the word "step". Motion carried.

Communications: Chair Keeney reported the county received communication from ITC Midwest; they are starting up their pre-construction for the Cardinal Hickory Transmission Line. They gave notice they will be out sometime in the next couple weeks to start the surveying.

Chair Keeney announced last week Governor Evers declared a Proclamation to recognize the Register of Deeds. Congratulations were extended to Marilyn Pierce, Andrea Noethe, Susan Stohlmeyer and Laura Damm.

Supervisor Patrick Schroeder made reference to including the A2 Resolution on the next County Board Meeting.

In the interest of keeping the County Board of Supervisor Meeting to a minimum, Chair Keeney asked if anyone had anything they wanted to share regarding Committee Reports as that item was taken off the agenda.

Mark Stead reported for the Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning that they had received DATCP SWRM funding for staff and support the amount of \$104,160.00 and Cost Sharing \$56,620.00.

Patrick Schroeder reported that the Grant County 2020 Fair was officially been cancelled. Robert Scallon also mentioned the Boscobel Firework Celebration has also been cancelled. Due to COVID-19 many community celebrations have been cancelled for 2020.

Employee Recognition(s): Chair Keeney presented certificates to the following employees for their service to Grant County:

- Deb Udelhoven for her 44 years of service in the Grant County Health Department. Deb was present via ZOOM MEETING and extended a Thank you to Grant County.

- Ruth Rotramel for her 34 years of service in Aging and Disability Resource Department.
- Debbi Donald for her 37 years of service in Social Services Department.
- Nancy Scott for her 21 years of service as the Finance Director and Social Service Department.
- Terry Hodgson for his 21 years of service at the Highway Department.

Best wishes were extended to all the retirees.

Appointment(s): Chair Keeney asked for approval for the following appointments:  
Rob Bell to serve as a Disability Care Taker for the ADRC Board.

A motion was made by Patrick Schroeder, seconded by Lester Jantzen to approve the appointment of Rob Bell to the ADRC Board.

Aaron Olson the Cuba City School Administrator as a new member. The following appointees are reappointment; Pastor Mark Hoehne representing the faith community and Brian Quick representing the health care community on the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council.

A motion was made by Roger Guthrie, seconded by Gary Ranum to approve the three appointments of Aaron Olson, Pastor Mark Hoehne and Brian Quick on the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council. Motion carried.

Judy Friar, Amy Kite, Charles Stenner, Mary Ellen Tredinnick to be appointed a Community Members on the Unified Community Services.

A motion was made by Mark Stead, seconded by Porter Wagner to approve the appointment of the four new members on the Unified Community Services Board. Motion carried.

Grants: Chief Deputy Sheriff Jack Johnson asked for permission to apply for a COVID-19 Reimbursement Grant through the Department of Justice Corona Virus Emergency Supplement Program. When it comes open they would like to apply for it to recover cost for the UBC robot, the PPD supplies purchased, and to recover extra costs for jail nurses time. Carol Beals asked if there were any match costs to the county, Jack stated no, it is for the actual extra costs. Robert Scallon asked if the added costs for the nurses were due to taking in other states prisoners. Jack stated no, there are no added inmates being taken in at this time.

A motion was made by Porter Wagner, seconded by Mike Lieurance, to approve the request to apply for the COVID-19 Reimbursement Grant for Law Enforcement. Motion carried.

Resolution Grant County Treasurer to Quit Claim: Carrie Eastlick, Treasurer presented the resolution for a Quit Claim for Duane A. Carlson to purchase his property back.

A motion was made by Don Splinter, seconded by Gary Ranum to approve Resolution 02-20 a Quit Claim for Duane A. Carlson Tax Key Parcel Number 004-00841-000. A Roll Call Vote was called for.

## ROLL CALL VOTE

**DATE:** June 16, 2020

**QUESTION:** Quit Claim for Duane A. Carlson

	YES	NO	EXCUSED
1. GARY RANUM	X		
2. GARY NORTHOUSE (ZOOM)	X		
3. ROBERT SCALLON	X		
4. ROBERT KEENEY	X		
5. ROGER GUTHRIE	X		
6. JOHN PATCLE	X		
7. GREGORY FRY (ZOOM)	X		
8. PATRICK SCHROEDER	X		
9. MIKE LIEURANCE	X		
10. MARK STEAD	X		
11. DALE HOOD	X		
12. DWIGHT NELSON (ZOOM)	X		
13. CAROL BEALS (ZOOM)	X		
14. LESTER JANTZEN	X		
15. JOHN BEINBORN (ZOOM)	X		
16. DONALD SPLINTER	X		
17. PORTER WAGNER	X		

County Clerk took the roll call vote resulting in 17 Yes votes, therefore motion carried.

## RESOLUTION NO. #02-20

The Grant County Board of Supervisors herein authorizes the Grant County Treasurer to Quit Claim to the former owner, Duane A Carlson, the following described piece or parcel of land, lying and being situated in the County of Grant, to-wit:

**TAX KEY PARCEL NUMBER(S): 004-00841-0000**

Property Address: Mississippi Ln

Said property had been acquired by Grant County by means of a Tax Deed (Exhibit 1) as referenced in Ordinance # 39 (Exhibit 2). As outlined under Grant County Ordinance Section 242-3, Repurchase option, subsections A and B have been satisfied with Duane A Carlson having paid to the Grant County Treasurer all delinquent taxes, accumulated interest charges and all costs incurred by Grant County in proceedings necessary to obtain and file the tax deed in the amount of \$1,382.48. Therefore, the Grant County Board of Supervisors exercises the repurchase option as listed in Section 242-3 of the Grant County Code.

Accepted and approved this 16<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2020, by the Grant County Board Supervisors.

BOARD OF SUPERVISERS BY:

/s/ Robert C. Keeney, County Chair

## ATTEST:

I, Linda K. Gebhard, Grant County Clerk, do certify that this resolution was adopted by the Grant County Board of Supervisors at a meeting held on June 16, 2020.

/s/ Linda K. Gebhard, Grant County Clerk

COVID-19 Update, discussion, and possible action: Chair Keeney had Jeff Kindrai give the COVID19 update to the County Board for Grant County. Jeff stated it was mid-March when COVID19 started impacting our county. To date they have received 4,364 reported cases, this is 8% of our population, 113 of those cases reported being positive. There were 20 probable cases in the county, and 12 deaths and are hospitalizing COVID cases at a rate of 7%.

There is a scheduled testing at the UW Platteville Campus, in conjunction with Emergency Management and National Guard. They are hoping to test 400 people during the day. Grant County status at this time is rated moderate and shrinking.

Jeff would really like to see the clinics and hospitals open up and functioning at a more normal level. Medical care is very important at this time to maintain the regular checkups.

This is a deadly disease, and should be taken seriously; he encourages social distancing to continue and hopes that everyone can behave responsibly going forward.

Chair Keeney reported the county has established a couple task forces to work on opening the work place and what has been the fiscal impact of COVID-19 on our county. Chair Keeney reported Grant County has received CARES funds of \$860,902.00 to help the impact of the virus on the county. There have been other sources of money that has been deposited in the County to help reimburse for added expenses during the COVID-19 Pandemic which has helped the County.

Chair Keeney shared the information he received from Forward Analytics on Economic Activity in a Pandemic regarding taxable sales in March and April. Grant County has fared pretty good with only a 1.7% decrease in taxable sales. The hardest hit industries have been clothing and accessory stores, food and drinking establishment, motor vehicle and parts dealers and furniture and home furnishing stores. Sauk County has taken the biggest hit.

Progress Report, Discussion & Possible action on Grant County Community Services Facility: Chair Keeney reported that Brad Bierman, Garry Pluemer and he received some concerns on the pile of debris from the 52 Building. There are questions on a red substance that may be a lead base paint and they have been asked to conduct more testing on this. Hopefully this will not cost the county any more money but some of the debris may have to be trucked to a waste facility. There are still things on the punch list that they are working through. The sewer plant is working fine.

Comprehensive Plan Change: None

Zoning Amendment 567<sup>th</sup>: Justin Johnson presented the amendment to the Board. The Town Board and Conservation, Sanitation, Zoning Committee all approved the amendment.

A motion was made by Mark Stead, seconded by Porter Wagner, to approve the 567<sup>th</sup> Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance including petition Dick & Linda Coleman, Millville Township.

**567<sup>th</sup> AMENDMENT TO THE  
GRANT COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE  
June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

**WHEREAS**, a petition for map amendment was filed and a public hearing was held by the Grant County Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning Committee, meeting the requirements of Chapter 59.69 (5) (e) 2.

**WHEREAS**, a proof of publication and giving notice to each affected township clerk of such hearing is attached to this document. Chapter 59.69 (5) (e) 4

**WHEREAS**, the Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning Committee now recommends to the Board of Supervisors of Grant County the adoption of the following map amendments.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Grant County Board of Supervisors does ordain as follows. That the Zoning District Map for Grant County will be amended to reflect the following:

**PETITION #20-10:** Rezone request for Dick & Linda Coleman, PIN: 036-00039-0000, to change the zoning classification from Agricultural-2 to Residential-1, to allow for the expansion of an existing principal structure (home) by reducing the side property line setback from 30' to 18'. This is for +/- .5 ac in the SW ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 2, T6N, R5W, in Millville Township

Adopted by the Grant County Board of Supervisors this 16<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2020

/s/ Robert Keeney, County Board Chairman

/s/ **Attest:** Linda Gebhard, County Clerk

Dog Claims: Patrick Schroeder presented the dog claims from the Grant County Humane Society for approval. The claims were recommended for approval by the Ag and Extension Committee.

A motion was made by Patrick Schroeder, seconded by Mike Lieurance to approve the dog claims of \$465.00 to be paid to the Grant County Humane Society. Motion carried.

Adjournment: Robert Scallon, seconded by Mark Stead made a motion to adjourn the meeting pursuant to the next meeting to be held on Tuesday, July 21, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. Motion carried.

**Grant County Board of Supervisors  
July 21, 2020**

The Grant County Board of Supervisors met on Tuesday, August 18, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. in the Ag and Extension Building, South Room, 916 East Elm Street, Lancaster, WI 53813 pursuant to the adjournment of the June 16, 2020 meeting.

While the Organizational Meeting of the Grant County Board of Supervisors is considered an “Essential Government Operation” pursuant to the State’s Safer at Home Order, the meeting will be offered with the option to participate via Zoom meeting. Live participation in this meeting will be limited to Grant County Board Supervisors, County Clerk, and Corporation Counsel. Social distancing and other safety precautions associated with COVID-19 protocol will be followed.

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Consideration will be given and/or action taken on any or all of the following items:

Robert Keeney, County Board Chair called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Verification of compliance with the open meeting law was a notice in the Herald Independent stating the date, time and place of the County Board Meeting and posted in two public posting locations and the county website verified by Linda K. Gebhard, County Clerk.

Roll Call, July 21, 2020

	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>Excused</b>
Carol Beals (ZOOM)	X		
John Beinborn	X		
Gregory Fry (ZOOM)	X		
Roger Guthrie	X		
Dale Hood	X		
Lester Jantzen	X		
Robert Keeney (ZOOM)	X		
Mike Lieurance	X		
Dwight Nelson (ZOOM)	X		
Gary Northouse	X		
John Patcle	X		
Gary Ranum	X		
Robert Scallon			X
Patrick Schroeder	X		
Donald Splinter	X		
Mark Stead	X		
Porter Wagner	X		

Roll Call was taken by the County Clerk resulting in 16 present, 4 participating on ZOOM and 12 in person and 1 excused. Therefore, a quorum was present.

There were 66 Participants who joined the Grant County Board of Supervisor Meeting via ZOOM; there were a few unidentified telephone numbers participating, the identified Participants are listed below:

Dave Lambert, Highway Commissioner, Garry Pluemer, Maintenance, Dave Timmerman, Herald Independent, Amy Olson, Fair, Carrie Eastlick, Treasurer, Jack Johnson, Chief Deputy Sheriff, Jeff Kindrai, Health Director, Lynda Schweikert, Conservation, Sanitation, Zoning, Carrie Kersteins, Child Support, Amanda Degenhardt, Finance Director, James Schneider, Extension Office, Joyce Roling, Personnel, Fred Naatz, Social Services, Justin Johnson, Conservation, Sanitation, Zoning, Tonya White, Emergency Management, Shane Drinkwater, IT, Lori Reid, ADRC, Tina McDonald, Clerk of Court, Kevin Norin, Darla BanFi, Raymond BanFi, Donna Swanson, Charlie Draheim, Jason Deshub, Justice William Kelly, Lona Caywood, Laura Hoffman, Heidi Dyas-McBeth, William McBeth, Kevin Millard, LaCrosse Radio Station, Gary Munson, Ann Dolan, Mary Kay Hoppenjohn, Joyce Vos, Joan Riedle, Angie Mitchell, Myron Tranel, Deborah Draheim, Liz Himeral, Mary Ann Schultz, Louanna Dolman, Katherine Caywood, Steve McCarthey, JAC, Elijah Caywood, Bennett Goldstein, TH Media, Adam Rezenski, Jennifer Miller, Adina Vesperman, Alex Austin, David Varnum, City of Lancaster, Andrew Taylor, Carol Schwartz, Orchard Manor, Steve Braun, Emergency Management, Gloria Belkin, Josh Verbate.

Approval of Agenda: Porter Wagner, seconded by Patrick Schroeder, made a motion to approve the agenda with one change, since the Census Presenter was not in attendance; the COVID19 update by Jeff Kindrai was moved to item 7 from 17. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: John Beinborn, seconded by Mike Lieurance, made a motion to approve the minutes of June 16, 2020 as presented. Motion carried.

COVID-19 Update, discussion, and possible action: Jeff Kindrai, Health Director gave the COVID19 update to the County Board for Grant County. Since the beginning of March, the Health Department has received 1141 reported cases relating to COVID. Currently there are 254 positive of which 165 have recovered, 26 probable, 14 deaths and 1075 contacts that needed to be followed up on. In Grant County the hospitalizing rate for COVID cases is 7%. They are still encouraging social distancing and wearing a clean mask.

There is a scheduled testing at the Cuba City, Muscoda, and Lancaster in conjunction with Emergency Management and National Guard. Grant County is encouraging to continue social distancing and wear clean masks.

Communications: Chair Keeney shared the 2021 Budget Guidelines to the Board discussed in the Executive Committee meeting.

- Salaries & Wages - budget for a 1% increase on January 1 and another 1% increase on July 1 (same as 2020) ATB. The Staffing worksheets will be emailed to you no later than Friday, July 24.
- Retirement rates remain at 6.75% for general and increase 0.10% for Protective to 11.75%.
- Health Insurance - assume an 8% increase at this time.
- Beginning July 14, 2020; no new positions are to be created and this extends through 2021.
- Rough estimates show we're looking at a roughly \$800/\$900K shortfall so please be mindful of this when preparing your budgets.

Employee Recognition(s): None



Appointment(s): Chair Keeney asked for approval to reappoint Arnold Rawson to serve another three year term on the Aging and Disability Resource Committee.

A motion was made by Mark Stead, seconded by Porter Wagner to approve the appointment of Arnold Rawson to the ADRC Board. Motion carried.

Grants: Chief Deputy Sheriff Jack Johnson asked for permission to apply for Highway Safety Collapsible cones from AAA WI. The Funding period is from July 1, 2020 to December 1, 2020 for an amount of \$1665.62, no In kind match or match to the County.

A motion was made by Porter Wagner, seconded by John Beinborn, to approve the request for Law Enforcement of \$1,665.62 for collapsible safety cones. Motion carried.

Resolution Department of Natural Resourced WI Assessment money (WAM) – Contractor Services Award: Carrie Eastlick, Treasurer presented the resolution to the Board for approval. The resolution was recommended for approval by the Executive Committee.

The resolution is a stipulation needed by the Department of Natural Recourses in order to receive money from the WAM Program to finish up the clean up on property that is in the Counties possession. There is a vacated building on the property, the soil is contaminated and a new well may need to be drilled so further water testing is needed. There will be no fiscal impact to the County.

A motion was made by Gary Ranum, seconded by Mike Lieurance to approve Resolution 03-20 Department of Natural resources Wisconsin Assessment Money (WAM) – Contractor Services Award. Motion carried unanimously.

**Resolution No. #03-20  
Department of Natural Resources  
Wisconsin Assessment Money (WAM) - Contractor Services Award**

**Resolution of Grant County**

**A RESOLUTION** authorizing the submittal of an award application for the 132 E Maple Street, Lancaster, WI property by the County Treasurer for WAM Contractor Services.

**WHEREAS**, Grant County recognizes that the environmental assessment of brownfields is an important part of protecting Wisconsin's resources; and

**WHEREAS**, the Grant County will allow employees from the Department of Natural Resources access to inspect the award site or facility and award records; and

**IT IS, THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT:**

The Grant County Board requests services and assistance available from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources under the WAM Contractor Services Award program and will comply with state and federal rules for the program; and

**HEREBY AUTHORIZES** the County Treasurer to act on the behalf of the Grant County Board to: submit an application to the State of Wisconsin for contractor services under the WAM program, sign documents, and take necessary action to comply with approved award activities.

Adopted this 21<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2020

By a vote of: 16 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstain

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS BY:**

/S/ Robert C. Keeney, County Board Chair

**ATTEST:** I, Linda K. Gebhard, Grant County Clerk, do certify that this resolution was adopted by the Grant County Board of Supervisors at a meeting held on July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020.

/s/Linda K. Gebhard, Grant County Clerk

Resolution: Authorizing the County Treasurer to Quit Claim: Carrie Eastlick, Treasurer presented the resolution to the Board for approval. The resolution was recommended for approval by the Executive Committee.

A motion was made by Patrick Schroeder, seconded by Lester Jantzen, to approve the Resolution to Quit Claim to the former owner, Robin G. & Sonya K. Groom; taxes have been paid in full. Motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLUTION NO. #04-20**

The Grant County Board of Supervisors herein authorizes the Grant County Treasurer to Quit Claim to the former owner, Robin G & Sonya K Groom, the following described piece or parcel of land, lying and being situated in the County of Grant, to-wit:

**TAX KEY PARCEL NUMBER(S): 020-00668-0010, 020-00682-0000, 020-00683-0010, 020-00684-0010**

Property Address: 5465 Oak Rd

Said property had been acquired by Grant County by means of a Tax Deed (Exhibit 1) as referenced in Ordinance # 39 (Exhibit 2). As outlined under Grant County Ordinance Section 242-3, Repurchase option, subsections A and B have been satisfied with Sonya K Groom having paid to the Grant County Treasurer all delinquent taxes, accumulated interest charges and all costs incurred by Grant County in proceedings necessary to obtain and file the tax deed in the amount of \$9,989.43. Therefore, the Grant County Board of Supervisors exercises the repurchase option as listed in Section 242-3 of the Grant County Code.

Accepted and approved this 21<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2020, by the Grant County Board Supervisors.

BOARD OF SUPERVISERS BY:

/s/ Robert C. Keeney, County Chair

**ATTEST:** I, Linda K. Gebhard, Grant County Clerk, do certify that this resolution was adopted by the Grant County Board of Supervisors at a meeting held on July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020.

/s/ Linda K. Gebhard, County Clerk

Sale of tax deed parcels: Carrie Eastlick, Treasurer presented the tax deed parcels to the Board for approval. The sale was recommended for approval by the Executive Committee.

A motion was made by Mark Stead, seconded by Gary Ranum, to approve the following sale of the tax deed parcels. Motion carried unanimously.

PARCELS	ADDRESS	MUNICIPALITY	TAX PAYER	YEARS	BID	BIDDER
108-00266-0000	112 S. East Street	Village of Blue River	Kevin Duve	2016-2019	\$15,030.00	Matt Russell Childs

172-00143-0000

172-00144-0000	107 N. Main St.	Village of Potosi	Dennis Sharkey	2012-2019	\$15,580.00	Village of Potosi
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Second Amendment Rights Resolution: Chair Keeney opened up the discussion regarding the Second Amendment Rights Resolution. He reiterated that the following directive was stated in the Grant County Board of Supervisor Agenda upon publication on the procedure going to be used to address this Second Amendment Rights Resolution.

***“The Grant County Board of Supervisors will meet at 10:00 a.m. , Tuesday, July 21, 2020 in the South Room of the Youth and Agriculture Building at 916 East Elm Street, Lancaster, WI, pursuant to the adjournment of the June 16, 2020 County Board Meeting.***

***While meetings of the Grant County Board of Supervisors are considered an “Essential Government Operation” pursuant to the State’s Safer at Home Order, the meeting will be offered with the option to participate via Zoom meeting. Live participation in this meeting will be limited to Grant County Board Supervisors, County Clerk, and Corporation Counsel. Social distancing and other safety precautions associated with COVID-19 protocol will be followed.***

***Guidelines for Participation in Second Amendment Resolution Discussion***

***All public comment/participation on the matter will be via Zoom in accordance with the Grant County’s ongoing policy of essential meeting participation as stated above. We understand that this is a sensitive issue. Both views on the subject will be allowed time to present. To avoid interruption during the presentations, all other Zoom participants will be muted.***

***Upon reaching the agenda item 15. Second Amendment Rights Resolution, the Board will allow a presentation on the Resolution for a maximum of 6 minutes.***

***Opposition to the Resolution will be given up to 6 minutes to voice their opinions.***

***Non-County Board persons shall not be allowed to address the Board unless a Board member has first requested permission for such person to speak. Anyone allowed to speak per this Grant County Board of Supervisors rule will be limited to 2 minutes and shall address the Board as a whole with comments germane to the agenda item.”***

Chair Keeney gave Kevin Norin permission to address the issue. He spoke in favor of making Grant County the 13 Wisconsin County to pass a resolution affirming our natural rights as protected by our National and State Constitution. The oath has sworn to uphold those rights by every Law Enforcement, our Military, and Elected Officials which in their opinion includes the County Board of Supervisors. The resolution he stated is a simple statement that our rights will continue to be protected from those who would like to take those rights away. They feel the resolution is pro police resolution, it provides support from the Elected Official to all Law Enforcement to uphold to their integrity in doing the right thing. They feel it is a pro bill of right resolution, in our legal system you are presumed innocent until proven guilty. Your property cannot be seized without probable cause. They don’t feel it is right to have our fire arms seized and have to go to district court to try and get them back. They feel this resolution’s main purpose is to prohibit “Red Flag” type laws from being enacted. Red flag laws give the government the ability to temporarily remove a firearm from a person’s possession if that person has been deemed a threat to himself or herself or to another person. They feel this is the opposite in how it is supposed to work. They feel this is a mental health resolution. He quoted Chapter 51, in handling a person who is in crisis you deal with the person not the objects they are possess. If the decision is made to put the person into custody, you deal with the person getting them the help they need, not taking his possessions. Under the “red flag law” there is a much lower legal standard used in taking someone possession. There have been many efforts by past governors and our current governor to pass legislation to restrict the rights of law abiding citizens. Some succeeded others have failed. This will continue to happen in their opinion. They reached out to the County to pass the resolution by a simple majority vote.

Chair Keeney gave Myron Tranel permission to address the Board in opposition. They are not against the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment, many of them own their own guns, but they feel there is a place for reasonable and constitutional laws and legal processes by which our government should engage in the review of these guns. They are confused why the County Board should be involved because they are a non-partisan body who has a duty to represent the needs of the entire county, not just certain interest groups. They feel this type of statement should not be given by the Grant County Board of Supervisors as it expresses the opinion of only a small percentage of Grant County citizens. They feel this resolution is non-binding symbolic statement that has no power to change on how this county functions. There is also a danger that it may cause confusion as to what State and Federal gun laws are in effect in our county. He quoted the 2019 Marquette County Law School Poll, stating statistics the polls found. They feel this resolution is an oppositional statement to potential laws that may not be in agreement with a majority of its constituents. He quoted the following statement in the resolution ***“BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Grant County Board hereby opposes any Executive or Legislative action under consideration by the Governor and/or the Wisconsin State Legislature, which would abrogate, diminishes or in any way infringe upon the Second Amendment Rights of the citizens of Grant County, which if implemented would ban or impose additional regulations regarding the possession of and use of any firearms, firearm accessories, magazines, and ammunition employed by the individual citizens of Grant County for their personal defense of life, liberty and property.”*** They questioned if the County really does not support any law relating to gun control. They also wanted to point out that the County does not have the responsibility to oppose laws nor the authority; this is up to the courts. He quotes a United States Supreme Court Case DC VS Heller. They feel the resolution is not reflective of the majority and does not follow the proper procedure in how laws are passed and enforced, until they are declared unconstitutional by the judicial branch or are repealed by a ballot initiative. They are asking the Board to reject this resolution in favor in engaging in a bill by bill discussion of any actual legislation when and if it is appropriate for the benefit of our County, and in the benefit of the broadest range of all community members.

Chair Keeney stated the next step in this issue. Non-County Board persons shall be allowed to address the Board in order to rebut comments made by either group if they have the permission of the Board of Supervisors.

Justice William Kelley, who addressed the Board as being in favor of passing the resolution, asked permission to address the Board. Chair Keeney asked the Board if there were any members who wished to hear rebuttal statements. Patrick Schroeder stated he would like to hear those statements, all other Board Members agreed. Carol Beals asked if this would also be the case with the second group who has opposition to the resolution. It was agreed to let both groups give their rebuttal statements.

Justice William Kelley addressed the Board starting off by questioning some of the information Myron Tranel gave regarding the Marquette County Law School Poll. There were actually two polls done, and in both results it was conclusive in the end that there would be no reduction of gun violence if any changes stated were made. Regarding back ground checks and prohibition, he stated through the 18USC section 922 there is a full list of item that dealer, manufacturers, fire arm owners have to comply with. Statutes are in place to control what is going on with our fire arms so once a person is taken in under this section, that subjects them to all restrictions under that Section.

Donna Swanson was given permission to speak; she is opposed to this resolution. She feels the resolution is broadly stated to oppose any future gun legislation that may be perceived or interpreted to infringe on the rights of individuals to own guns. It is built on the fear for many gun owners that the government is coming to take away their guns. In our democracy we have a system which allows for discussion and debate of proposed legislation. Proposed bills have specific merits and boundaries, when

we have those then is the time to voice opposition, or support or suggest changes. This Resolution has no power to impact or make any changes in the lives of Grant County citizens, it's merely a tool that is being used by a group trying to push their agenda and fears and the Board should not allow themselves to be part of it. She asked the Board to vote no against the resolution.

Chair Keeney asked the Board Members if they were aware of any one else who was in favor of the resolution who had their permission to speak. Kevin Norin indicated he would like to speak, but since he had already had a chance to speak, Chair Keeney questioned if this was acceptable to the Board. Patrick Schroeder stated he would be in favor to let Kevin Norin speak again. This was questioned by Carol Beals. She felt if the Board was going to give the citizens more chances to speak than just once, this was a change in the rules that were set at the beginning of the meeting, she requested Ben Woods, Corporation Counsels input. Ben stated the rules had been established prior to the meeting and we should stick with them.

Kevin Norin rescinded his request and Patrick Schroeder did the same. Patrick Schroeder posed a question to Chair Keeney, asking how many people was each County Board Supervisor allowed to give permission to speak; he questioned if one Supervisor had 10 people laid out to speak that would be granted. Chair Keeney stated that was his understanding at the beginning, but each person should only have one chance to speak not multiple times. Patrick Schroeder stated that Justice William Kelley spoke in Kevin Norin's allotted time in the rebuttal so it could be said the Patrick Schroeder gave Justice William Kelley permission to speak, question posed, "Did Kevin speak or Justice William Kelley"? Ben Wood, Corporation Counsel stated that during the public comment for this issue, both Kevin Norin and Justice William Kelley got their chance to speak.

Carol Beals stated that all the citizens interested in speaking should have gotten permission for a Board Member and those names should have been submitted to the County Board Chair prior to the meeting. Chair Keeney stated his understanding was both groups would get their time to speak and then get their rebuttal time.

Patrick Schroeder then proceeded to make a motion to approve the resolution. Lester Jantzen made the second. Chair Keeney than addressed the issue at hand, there were conversations prior to the meeting including Kevin Norin, Donna Swanson, Ben Wood, Chair Keeney and others regarding the rules, both groups would get equal time to speak alternating back and forth between both sides. Chair Keeney stated at that time all parties were in agreement. Both parties have been heard, there were more parties participating in the meeting who were against the resolution, therefore, the group who were for passing the resolution had no more parties that could speak.

The Board Members were given a chance to speak. Carol Beals stated she had reached out to the Judges who stated this was a non-binding resolution therefore it would have no impact because nothing changes for or against this issue. She asked if a Judge could temporarily take fire arms away, a court may not order the surrender of a firearm without the person being afforded due process under the statutory provision. It is mandatory if a person is issued a domestic abuse or harassment injunction or conflicted of a felon or are judicated incompetent under the guardianship laws they lose their firearm rights. A person under a Mental Commitment also losses them under the Statutes, a County Ordinance would not alter those statutory mandates. So we are not taking away anyone's right to own, possess, or carry as far as the fire arms go.

Carol went on to say, she has kept track of the opinions of the people who have called her, she had 52 in opposition, 8 in favor and 1 wants to push this to a referendum for the citizens to vote on. In Carol's opinion, this issue should not be addressed on the County level, it is not a County Board decision, this is

non-binding and none enforceable resolution, all of Grant County did not get the chance to vote on this issue, only 17 members of the County Board got the opportunity to vote.

Porter Wagner, if it is non-binding why are so many people in on your side, all this is in his opinion is a resolution to move it forward to the State as a favorable recommendation. Porter wondered how many people have concealed carry. Carol stated that was an interesting question because the one person who has the most to gain is the one who is leading the charge has a business on the side and issues concealed weapon permits.

Chair Keeney stepped in to get the conversations back to the issue at hand.

Porter Wagner and Patrick Schroeder both stated they have received many calls on this issues; most being favorable. Patrick Schroeder went on to say, the callers who are against passing the resolution are mostly from Platteville, and he hopes the County is not being run by that one community.

John Beinborn stated he has the opposite outcome from his callers with 31 against the resolution and 11 for it. John went on to say, he contacted Attorney Andy Phillips with Wisconsin Counties Association, Andy's response was the Counties do not control any aspect in this issue, legislatively or making laws so they should not be involved. Representative Travis Tranel's Office stated this resolution has a zero chance in getting approved on the State level; John questions, "Why is this issue even being discussed"?

This sentiment was also shared by Greg Fry, he is not sure this is the right resolution, he is a gun owner, at this time he is not sure what if the best way to go on this.

Dale Hood also stated he was not sure the County Board should be involved. However, the Red Flag issue does concern him.

Chair Keeney reiterated the motion made by Patrick Schroeder, seconded by Lester Jantzen, to approve the resolution. Chair Keeney asked if anyone else would like to speak, hearing none; he called for the Roll Call Vote.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

**DATE: July 21, 2020**

**QUESTION: Second Amendment Rights**

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>EXCUSED</b>
GARY RANUM	X		
GARY NORTHOUSE	X		
ROBERT SCALLON			X
ROBERT KEENEY (ZOOM)	X		
ROGER GUTHRIE	X		
JOHN PATCLE	X		
GREGORY FRY (ZOOM)	X		
PATRICK SCHROEDER	X		
MIKE LIEURANCE	X		
MARK STEAD	X		
DALE HOOD	X		
DWIGHT NELSON (ZOOM)	X		
CAROL BEALS (ZOOM)		X	
LESTER JANTZEN	X		
JOHN BEINBORN		X	

	YES	NO	EXCUSED
DONALD SPLINTER	X		
PORTER WAGNER	X		

County Clerk took the roll call vote resulting in 14 Yes votes, 2 No votes and 1 Excused, therefore motion carried to adopt the resolution.

Carol Beals asked to speak and wanted to make a public comment note. She asked that it be reflected in the minutes when the interest group goes to the public with this and publishes this on their face book group website they make sure it states this was not passed by a unanimous Yes decision, nor did it reflect all the citizens in Grant County; it only reflects 17 people that were given the opportunity to vote.

#### **RESOLUTION #05-20**

#### **Grant County Support for Second Amendment Rights**

**WHEREAS**, the unalienable Right of the People to Keep and Bear arms is guaranteed as an individual right under the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution and also under the Constitution of the State of Wisconsin, Article 1, Section 25 -- “the people have the right to keep and bear arms for security, defense, hunting, recreation or any other lawful purpose”; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor of the State of Wisconsin, and all members of the Wisconsin State Legislature, each having been elected of their respective offices by the citizens of the State of Wisconsin, have each been duly sworn by their Oath of Office to uphold the United States Constitution and the Constitution of the State of Wisconsin; and

**WHEREAS**, all Grant County Board members, each having been elected to represent the People of Grant County, have each been duly sworn by their Oath of Office to uphold the United States Constitution and the Constitution of the State of Wisconsin.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Grant County Board of Supervisors in session this 21<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2020 that the Grant County Board recognizes and reaffirms their individually sworn Oaths of Office to uphold the entirety of the United States Constitution and the Constitution of the State of Wisconsin and we hereby urge the Governor and all members of the Wisconsin State Legislature to do likewise.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Grant County Board hereby opposes any Executive or Legislative action under consideration by the Governor and/or the Wisconsin State Legislature, which would abrogate, diminishes or in any way infringe upon the Second Amendment Rights of the citizens of Grant County, which if implemented would ban or impose additional regulations regarding the possession of and use of any firearms, firearm accessories, magazines, and ammunition employed by the individual citizens of Grant County for their personal defense of life, liberty and property.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Grant County Board opposes any executive or legislative action under consideration by the Governor and/ or the Wisconsin State Legislature, which would implement any firearms confiscation of “buy back” laws, implement any universal background checks or firearms owner ID requirements, or cause the establishment of a punitive tax on the purchase or possession of firearms, firearm accessories, magazines and ammunition.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Grant County Board opposes any executive or Legislative action under consideration by the Governor and/or the Wisconsin State Legislature, which would implement any type of “red flag law” which would abrogate, diminish, or in any way infringe upon the full legal rights of due process, as guaranteed to all citizens in Grant County.

**Adopted and recorded this 21<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2020.**

**By: Linda K. Gebhard, Grant County Clerk**

**By: Robert C. Keeney, County Board Chair**

Social Services Alternate Care in 2019: Fred Naatz, Social Services Director presented the information to the Board. Because Social Services had many more children they had to place in out of home care than anticipated because of the COVID19 Pandemic, they are experiencing a shortfall in their budget. This issue was not caused by any mishandling of budget money by Social Services; it is a result of the COVID19 Pandemic and increased issues due to child abuse, safety at home reasons and methamphetamine abuse. This was discussed by the Executive Committee and recommended for approval.

Amanda Degenhardt, Finance gave the Board the Budget Information for the Fiscal Impact.

Social Services Carry over as of 2018	\$200,000.00
2020 Budgeted Amount for Child Alternate Care	\$550,000.00
Minus Actual amount spent to date	<u>\$829,808.00</u>
Amount needed to replenish account	\$ 79,808.00

A motion was made by Gary Ranum, seconded by John Beinborn, to approve taking the amount of \$79,808.00 from the General Fund to balance the Child Alternate Care Budget for 2019. A roll call vote was called for.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

**DATE: July 21, 2020**

**QUESTION: Take \$79,808.00 from the General Fund to balance the Child Alternate Care Budget**

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>EXCUSED</b>
GARY RANUM	X		
GARY NORTHOUSE	X		
ROBERT SCALLON			X
ROBERT KEENEY (ZOOM)	X		
ROGER GUTHRIE	X		
JOHN PATCLE	X		
GREGORY FRY (ZOOM)	X		
PATRICK SCHROEDER	X		
MIKE LIEURANCE	X		
MARK STEAD	X		
DALE HOOD	X		
DWIGHT NELSON (ZOOM)	X		
CAROL BEALS (ZOOM)	X		
LESTER JANTZEN	X		
JOHN BEINBORN	X		
DONALD SPLINTER	X		
PORTER WAGNER	X		

County Clerk took the roll call vote resulting in 16 Yes Votes and 1 absent. Therefore motion carried.

Progress Report on Grant County Community Services Facility: Chair Keeney stated some of the terrazzo tile in the entryway needs to be replaced. The tile has been ordered, Garry would like to keep some on hand for future needs. There are some warranty issues that need to be addressed. Garry Pluemer, Maintenance Facility Manager has started some training in hot water hydronic systems and H-Vac Systems. The trainings will ensure that the Community Services Building Maintenance crew will be able to perform repairs and maintenance on all the systems in the facility which will save the County the cost of hiring contracted services. There is no cost to the County for the training process.



Garry Pluemer, Maintenance, Dave Lambert, Highway, and Nate Dreckman, Sheriff have established the place a lighted sign for the facility will be placed on Highway 129. They moved the site to the other side of the driveway with the contemplation of widening the driveway in the future.

The pile of rubble left from demolishing the 52 Building will be screened this week, there were some contaminated materials found, they have a plan to move forward and in August are hopeful the pile will be gone.

Comprehensive Plan Change: None

Zoning Amendment 568<sup>th</sup>: Justin Johnson presented the zoning amendment to the Board. The Town Boards and Conservation, Sanitation, Zoning Committee all recommended the amendment for approval.

A motion was made by Gary Northouse, seconded by Lester Jantzen, to approve the 568<sup>th</sup> Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance including petitions 20-11 Rosaline & James Kretschman, Fennimore Township, Petition 20-12 Loran Montgomery, Harrison Township and Petition 20-13 Andrew Kieler, Platteville Township. Motion carried.

**568<sup>th</sup> AMENDMENT TO THE  
GRANT COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE  
July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020**

**WHEREAS**, a petition for map amendment was filed and a public hearing was held by the Grant County Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning Committee, meeting the requirements of Chapter 59.69 (5) (e) 2.

**WHEREAS**, a proof of publication and giving notice to each affected township clerk of such hearing is attached to this document. Chapter 59.69 (5) (e) 4

**WHEREAS**, the Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning Committee now recommends to the Board of Supervisors of Grant County the adoption of the following map amendments.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Grant County Board of Supervisors does ordain as follows. That the Zoning District Map for Grant County will be amended to reflect the following:

**PETITION #20-11:** Rezone request for Rosaline & James Kretschman, PIN: 016-00822-0000, to change the zoning classification from Farmland Preservation to Agricultural-2, to allow for the use of a nonfarm residence. This is for +/- 1.85 ac in the NW ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 36, T6N, R2W, in Fennimore Township

**PETITION #20-12:** Rezone request for Loran Montgomery, PIN: 020-00422-0000, to change the zoning classification from Farmland Preservation to Agricultural-2, to allow for an addition on a non-farm residence. This is for +/- 23.77 ac in the NW ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 17, T3N, R2W, in Harrison Township

**PETITION #20-13:** Rezone request for Andrew Kieler, PIN: 050-00934-0000, to change the zoning classification from Farmland Preservation to Agricultural-2, to allow for the use of a nonfarm residence. This is for +/- 17.07 ac in the SW ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 31, T3N, R1W, in Platteville Township  
Adopted by the Grant County Board of Supervisors this 21<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2020

/s/ Robert Keeney, County Board Chairman

/s/ **Attest:** Linda Gebhard, County Clerk

Dog Claim(s) Grant County Humane Society: Patrick Schroeder presented two dog claims from the Grant County Humane Society for approval. April 16, 2020 to April 25, 2020 three dogs for \$465.00 and May 11, 2020 to June 16, 2020 four dogs for \$620.00 for a total claim of \$1,085.00. The claims were recommended for approval by the Ag and Extension Committee.

A motion was made by Patrick Schroeder, seconded by Roger Guthrie, to approve the dog claims for \$1,085.00 to be paid to the Grant County Humane Society. Motion carried.

Adjournment: John Beinborn, seconded by Porter Wagner, made a motion to adjourn the meeting pursuant to the next meeting to be held on Tuesday, August 18, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. Motion carried.

**Grant County Board of Supervisors**  
**August 18, 2020**

The Grant County Board of Supervisors met on Tuesday, August 18, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. in the Ag and Extension Building, South Room, 916 East Elm Street, Lancaster, WI 53813 pursuant to the adjournment of the July 21, 2020 meeting.

While the Organizational Meeting of the Grant County Board of Supervisors is considered an “Essential Government Operation” pursuant to the State’s Safer at Home Order, the meeting will be offered with the option to participate via Zoom meeting. Live participation in this meeting will be limited to Grant County Board Supervisors, County Clerk, and Corporation Counsel. Social distancing and other safety precautions associated with COVID-19 protocol will be followed.

To Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84170351834>

Meeting ID: 841 7035 1834

Dial by your location

+1 301 715 8592 US (Germantown)

+1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)

Consideration will be given and/or action taken on any or all of the following items:

Robert Keeney, County Board Chair called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Verification of compliance with the open meeting law was a notice in the Herald Independent stating the date, time and place of the County Board Meeting and posted in two public posting locations and the county website verified by Linda K. Gebhard, County Clerk.

Roll Call, August 18, 2020

	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>Excused</b>
Carol Beals (ZOOM)	X		
John Beinborn	X		
Gregory Fry (ZOOM)	X		
Roger Guthrie	X		
Dale Hood	X		
Lester Jantzen	X		
Robert Keeney	X		
Mike Lieurance	X		
Dwight Nelson (ZOOM)	X		
Gary Northouse	X		
John Patcle	X		
Gary Ranum	X		
Robert Scallon	X		
Patrick Schroeder	X		
Donald Splinter	X		
Mark Stead	X		
Porter Wagner	X		

Roll Call was taken by the County Clerk resulting in 17 present, 3 participating on ZOOM and 14 in person. Therefore, a quorum was present.

The following identified participants were recognized joining the meeting via ZOOM:

Dave Lambert, Highway Commissioner, Garry Pluemer, Maintenance, Dave Timmerman, Herald Independent, Amy Olson, Fair, Carrie Eastlick, Treasurer, Jack Johnson, Chief Deputy Sheriff, Jeff Kindrai, Health Director, Lynda Schweikert, Conservation, Sanitation, Zoning, Carrie Kersteins, Child Support, Amanda Degenhardt, Finance Director, Joyce Roling, Personnel, Fred Naatz, Social Services, Justin Johnson, Conservation, Sanitation, Zoning, Tonya White, Emergency Management, Shane Drinkwater, IT, Lori Reid, ADRC, Tina McDonald, Clerk of Court, Jennifer Miller, Steve Braun, Emergency Management, UW Polycom, Amber McKelvey, Carol Larson, Doug Wegan, media, Jerry Huffman, 2020 Census Representative, Brandon (unidentified)

Approval of Agenda: John Beinborn, seconded by Mark Stead, made a motion to approve the agenda with one change; to move item 13) COVID Update up above item 7) approval of Proclamation #10 so Jeff Kindrai, Health Director could participate in both items because of another commitment he had to be at. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Patrick Schroeder, seconded by Porter Wagner, made a motion to approve the minutes of July 21, 2020 with changes to the spelling of names of a couple of the ZOOM participants and the addition of a notation on the Roll Call Votes of the members who voted via ZOOM. Motion carried.

Approval of Proclamation #10 – Temporary pay for Health Department Exempt Staff and allow for overtime to be paid out in lieu of Compensatory time due to COVID19: Chair Keeney presented the Proclamation for the approval of the County Board.

A motion was made by Don Splinter, seconded by Gary Northouse, to approve and ratify Proclamation 10 for Grant County. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **PROCLAMATION #10**

#### **TEMPORARY PAY FOR HEALTH DEPARTMENT EXEMPT STAFF AND ALLOW FOR OVERTIME TO BE PAID OUT IN LIEU OF COMPENSATORY TIME DUE TO COVID-19**

**WHEREAS**, the Grant County Health Department has maximized staffing levels to address the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, The FLSA Exempt staff, specifically, Nurses, Environmental Health Coordinator, Assistant Director, Nursing Compliance and Quality Coordinator, and Social Worker at the Grant County Health Department are working unusual amounts of extra hours to ensure the required testing and follow up is completed during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, Grant County Health Department wishes to compensate said Exempt Staff for the unusual amount extra hours due to the COVID-19 pandemic they are putting in and their cooperation and willingness to do so during this essential time of need; and

**WHEREAS**, the hours will be paid out at straight time and will be reimbursed through the Roads to Recovery grant confirmed through correspondence from WCA and the Governor's Office, specifically;

## WISCONSIN COUNTIES ASSOCIATION ROUTES TO RECOVERY Q&A

July 17, 2020

The Wisconsin Counties Association (WCA) has received multiple questions about the Routes to Recovery program and eligible expenditures. When received, WCA has submitted questions to the Governor's office seeking clarification. Please see below the questions WCA has submitted and the answers (if available) received from Governor's office. In addition, we have included questions received by the League of Wisconsin Municipalities and the answers they received.

**Q: Is funding for salaried employees that needed to dedicate hours to COVID-19 response while letting other tasks and duties under their normal job description go unfinished or take additional work hours over the 40ish that they put in the work week.**

*A: Yes, but only for public safety, public health, health care, human services, and similar employees. See Guidance s. 3.4.*

And;

**WHEREAS**, Grant County policy states that a non-exempt employee required to work in excess of 40 hours per week for his/her department or office shall receive compensatory time on the basis of one and one-half (1- 1/2) hours for every one (1) hour worked in excess of the 40 hour work week.

**WHEREAS**, Grant County Health Department wishes to pay out the non-exempt staff for the unusual amount extra hours due to the COVID-19 pandemic they are putting in and their cooperation and willingness to do so during this essential time of need; and

**WHEREAS**, it is not feasible for the Board of Health and the Executive Committee to give approval of this extra pay due to COVID-19 Social Distancing requirements; and

**WHEREAS**, the County Board chair has been given special authority to approve deviations from policy;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Grant County Personnel Director supports the Public Health Officer's request to recommend approval of compensating said exempt staff their straight hourly rate of pay after 40 hours of work per week and non-exempt staff overtime in lieu of compensatory time effective July 19, 2020 until further notice.

Under the authority of Resolution No. 70-18 Providing County Board Chair Emergency Administrative Flexibility for COVID-19, I hereby approve the recommendation as described above.

/s/ Robert Keeney, County Board Chair

Date: August 18, 2020

COVID-19 Update, discussion, and possible action: Jeff Kindrai, Health Director gave the COVID19 update to the County Board for Grant County. Since the beginning of March, the Health Department has received 1753 reported cases relating to COVID. Currently there are 403 positive cases, 32 probable, 16 deaths and 1594 contacts that needed to be followed up on. Currently the contacts have been in people over the age of 30. There have been 8 outbreaks, 330 people have recovered from those. Grant County is listed as high level of activity and has remained somewhat stable in the last few days. In Grant County

the hospitalizing rate is good, in our area and Dane County the bed capacity is 78% full which has been stable.

There is a community testing scheduled in Hazel Green. With the reduction of the National Guard support these testing have gone down and have become more challenging to schedule; getting the date out in the media in a timely manner has been difficult.

The Health Department is working on getting more contact tracing staff on board. They will be using the help of student interns and nurses; they will be utilizing LTE help and re-deployed staff. Southwest Tech and UW Platteville will be opening up in the near future which may cause an increase in the cases.

It is still encouraged by the Health Officer to continue to observe social distancing and wearing a clean mask.

Communications: Jerry Huffman, 2020 Census Partner Specialist gave a short presentation on the 2020 Census. The biggest change in the 2020 Census in comparison to other past ones; the process has gone on line. It has proven to be a faster process, cheaper, and has run smoother. Nationally we are at 64% of the people who are eligible having done so. Wisconsin is at 70.2%, Minnesota is at 72.9%. Minnesota gave their Census Bureau 7 million to help in their Census; Wisconsin did not help with any funds. Washington has decided to end the Census the last day of September which is a month early. It is now very important to get the word out to fill out the Census information. Federal money is at stake for all Counties in Wisconsin.

Jerry sent out a suggestion that if any business, schools, banks, movie theaters, etc., has an electronic signs to get this message out please utilize these resources.

There are feet on the ground now; they are working all over the State. Jerry said he hopes to get our local numbers up over the 80% mark.

Chair Keeney gave the Board an update on the 2020 Budget. The current budget is showing a deficit of 2.9 million dollars. The numbers include an 8% insurance increase, a hefty workers comp increase. The employee wage increase is 1% at the beginning of the year and 1% in July. The Departments are working on their budgets to see if anything can be cut. The Public Budget meeting is scheduled for October 6<sup>th</sup>.

Amanda Degenhardt, Finance Director stated this is a very preliminary budget; it contains many things that may be able to cut. She is working through the Departmental budgets and is confident there will be things that can be cut. She does not want to sound off any alarms; she is just trying to be very transparent working through the budget.

Chair Keeney stated the WCA Convention has been cancelled. Starting Monday 28<sup>th</sup> Wisconsin Counties Association is setting up workshops, hour long sessions for 7 weeks. If anyone is interested in participating in these workshop, Chair Keeney stated it may be possible to set up those workshops here in the county to participate virtually.

Chair Keeney stated there were some Board Members who wanted to give updates on committee reports.

John Beinborn wished to extend a thank you to the local Lions Clubs. They have been working with Emergency Management in delivering the PP supplies to our area. They have been working weekends and long days to help distribute the sanitary supplies during the COVID19 Pandemic.

Gary Ranum wanted to thank the Highway Committee and Department for the repaving and widening of County Rd M. Many citizens in the northern half of Grant County who travel that road are very pleased with the resurfacing and adding shoulders to this road.

Patrick Schroeder gave the Board an update on the movie night that was held at the Fairgrounds. It was a big success; they went through a lot of popcorn, lot of milk and juice, and 1200 hotdogs. He extended a thank you to the supervisors who came and helped with the evening. One thing that stuck out was that everyone was very polite, respectful and helpful; when it was over the grounds were left very clean. They had many who wanted to give a donation but none were taken. Pat wanted to extend a thank you to all the sponsors who stepped up to the plate to make this night a success.

Employee Recognition(s): None

Appointment(s): Chair Keeney asked for approval from the Board to appoint Pat Reynolds to serve on the ADRC Board to fill a vacancy.

John Beinborn, seconded by Patrick Schroeder, made a motion to approve the appointment of Pat Reynolds from the Mt. Hope area to serve on the ADRC Board. Motion carried.

Grants: Fred Naatz, Social Services presented a grant for approval by the Board. The Social Services Committee has recommended this for approval. It is a Foster Parent Grant from the Department of Children and Families, Division of Safety and Permanence for Incentives for the retention of foster parents. The fund programs that serve as incentives for Foster parents in Grant County. The funding period is 07/01/2020 to 06/20/2021 for an amount of \$29,202.00. There is no in kind match or match to the County.

John Beinborn, seconded by Robert Scallon, made a motion to approve the grant request for Social Services for a Foster Parent Grant for the amount of \$29,202.00. Motion carried.

Fred Naatz thanked the Board for their approval; he stated he had already received confirmation that they would be receiving the grant.

ATV Ordinance that will allow ATV's to cross over US Hwy 151 on CTH D: Ben Wood, Corporation Counsel and Dave Lambert, Highway presented the amendment. This amendment would allow ATV/UTV vehicles to go over the bridge over USH 151 from Pioneer Rd E to College Farm Rd. The language was provided by the DOT. The other adjustment that was made was to clarify a rule change. Now all county roads are open to ATV/UTV vehicles unless there is a Prohibited Sign in place stating that road cannot be used. Grant County does not have jurisdiction over State Highways only lettered county roads.

Carol Beals asked if the County was liable if someone gets in an accident crossing a State Highway. Ben Wood, Corporation Counsel stated the language was sent to us by the DOT which tells him they approved of this amendment. Ben stated we are not changing the design of the highway they are just changing the use of the highway. Dave Lambert stated he had worked with the DOT because they asked permission specifically to use that 3,350 ft. so the bridge or overpass could be used to cross 151. This was the safest option to use for the ATV/UTV use; this was agreed upon by Grant County Highway and DOT.

The liability question was assumed that if an accident did occur, the County and State would probably be named.

A motion was made by Mark Stead, seconded by Lester Jantzen, to approve the amendment to the Grant County Ordinance 65 ATV/UTV use. Motion carried.

**ORDINANCE NO. #65  
(Amended 08/18/2020)**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 268 ENTITLED "VEHICLES, ALL-TERRAIN AND UTILITY-TERRAIN" OF THE GRANT COUNTY CODE.**

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Supervisors of Grant County, Wisconsin, does ordain as follows:

**Section I:** Chapter 268 of the Grant County Code shall be and hereby is amended to repeal and recreate Section 268-4 to read as follows:

**§ 268-4 AREAS DESIGNATED:** The area designated as an all-terrain vehicle/utility-terrain vehicle route shall be as follows:

(a) All County Highways within Grant County, unless posted otherwise. This includes operation of ATVs/UTVs on BUS151/CTH D to cross the bridge over USH 151 from Pioneer Rd E to College Farm Rd (approximately 3,350ft), with the following requirements:

- a. Cross the bridge in the most direct manner practicable and at a place where no obstruction prevents a quick and safe crossing.
- b. Stay as far to the right of the roadway or shoulder as practicable.
- c. Stop the vehicle prior to the crossing.
- d. Yield the right-of-way to other vehicles, pedestrians, and electric personal assistive mobility devices using the roadway or shoulder.

e. Exit the highway as quickly and safely as practicable after crossing the bridge.

(1) The Grant County Highway Commissioner shall have the authority to suspend operation in any of the above areas for up to ninety (90) days due to hazard, construction, or emergency conditions in any highway segment listed above. The Grant County Highway Commissioner shall also have the authority to designate for up to ninety (90) days alternate routes for any of the above authorized highway segments that might be so closed.

**Section II:** This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication or posting as required by law. All other sections of Chapter 268 of the Grant County Code not specifically amended under this ordinance shall remain in full effect as drafted.

Adopted and approved this 18<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2020, by the Grant County Board of Supervisors.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS BY:  
/s/ Robert C. Keeney, County Board Chair



**ATTEST:** I, Linda K. Gebhard, Grant County Clerk, do certify that the amendment to Chapter 268 of the Grant County Ordinances has been approved by the Grant County Board of Supervisors at a meeting held on August 18, 2020.

/s/ Linda K. Gebhard, County Clerk

Progress Report, Discussion & Possible action on Grant County Community Services Facility: Garry Pluemer, Maintenance Facility Manager updated the Board. He has been working with EPIC to finalize the warranty list. They are hoping to complete these issues by September 1, 2020. All the warranties are now done, so it will be the Counties responsibility to fix what may go wrong going forward.

Tim Wiederholt has been working with Troy Morris and the DNR on the pile of debris of the 52 Building. There has been contaminated material found. There is an exemption form that may allow the County to bury and seal all the material on site. Once they know what they will do with the 52 Building debris, Tim Wiederholt will then start working on the old water treatment plant. The Conservation, Sanitation, Zoning Department will help on that project to make sure the code is followed.

Lester Jantzen asked how the communication tower was coming. Chair Keeney stated very slowly. Because of COVID19 things have been pushed back. There is an Emergency Status the County can file for, Chair Keeney stated he would be writing a letter today and send to the FAA to put our application into Emergency Status. They are currently waiting on the Indian Nation to sign off. The power has been located, the Geotechnical drilling has been done, and plans have been updated over the past week with all the specification of concrete, steel structure, we are getting very close. However, because of the 45 – 60 day delay in waiting for the approval we cannot move forward.

The dispatch center is much the same, some issues have been experienced. We are supposedly still on track to move them the first of September with no guaranties.

Comprehensive Plan Change: None

569<sup>th</sup> Zoning Amendment: Justin Johnson presented the zoning amendment to the Board. The Town Boards and Conservation, Sanitation, Zoning Committee all recommended the amendment for approval.

A motion was made by Porter Wagner, seconded by Mike Lieurance to approve the 569<sup>th</sup> Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance including petitions 20-14 Dale and Karen Wiederholt, Jamestown Township, 20-15 John and Tara Donovan, Jamestown Township, and 20-16 Darcy Elliot-Wiegel and Matthew Wiegel, Boscobel Township. Motion carried.

**569<sup>th</sup> AMENDMENT TO THE  
GRANT COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE  
July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020**

**WHEREAS**, a petition for map amendment was filed and a public hearing was held by the Grant County Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning Committee, meeting the requirements of Chapter 59.69 (5) (e) 2.

**WHEREAS**, a proof of publication and giving notice to each affected township clerk of such hearing is attached to this document. Chapter 59.69 (5) (e) 4

**WHEREAS**, the Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning Committee now recommends to the Board of Supervisors of Grant County the adoption of the following map amendments.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Grant County Board of Supervisors does ordain as follows. That the Zoning District Map for Grant County will be amended to reflect the following:

**PETITION #20-11:** Rezone request for Rosaline & James Kretschman, PIN: 016-00822-0000, to change the zoning classification from Farmland Preservation to Agricultural-2, to allow for the use of a nonfarm residence. This is for +/- 1.85 ac in the NW ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 36, T6N, R2W, in Fennimore Township

**PETITION #20-12:** Rezone request for Loran Montgomery, PIN: 020-00422-0000, to change the zoning classification from Farmland Preservation to Agricultural-2, to allow for an addition on a non-farm residence. This is for +/- 23.77 ac in the NW ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 17, T3N, R2W, in Harrison Township

**PETITION #20-13:** Rezone request for Andrew Kieler, PIN: 050-00934-0000, to change the zoning classification from Farmland Preservation to Agricultural-2, to allow for the use of a nonfarm residence. This is for +/- 17.07 ac in the SW ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 31, T3N, R1W, in Platteville Township

Adopted by the Grant County Board of Supervisors this 21<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2020

/s/ Robert Keeney, County Board Chairman      /s/ **Attest:** Linda Gebhard, County Clerk

Dog Claim(s): None

Adjournment: Mark Stead, seconded by Gary Northouse, made a motion to adjourn the meeting pursuant to the next meeting on Tuesday, September 15, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. Motion carried.

## COUNTY BOARD MINUTES

September 15, 2020

The Grant County Board of Supervisors meet at 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, September 15, 2020 in the South Room of the Youth and Agriculture Building at 916 East Elm Street, Lancaster, WI, pursuant to the adjournment of the August 18, 2020 County Board Meeting.

While meetings of the Grant County Board of Supervisors are considered an “Essential Government Operation” pursuant to the State’s Safer at Home Order, the meeting will be offered with the option to participate via Zoom meeting. Live participation in this meeting will be limited to Grant County Board Supervisors, County Clerk, and Corporation Counsel. Social distancing and other safety precautions associated with COVID-19 protocol will be followed.

Topic: County Board of Supervisors

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Consideration will be given and/or action taken on any or all of the following items:

Robert Keeney, County Board Chair called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Verification of compliance with the open meeting law was a notice in the Herald Independent stating the date, time and place of the County Board Meeting and posted in two public posting locations and the county website verified by Linda K. Gebhard, County Clerk.

### Roll Call, September 15, 2020

	Present	Absent	Excused
1. Carol Beals (ZOOM)	X (Joined late)		
2. John Beinborn	X		
3. Gregory Fry (ZOOM)	X		
4. Roger Guthrie	X		
5. Dale Hood	X		
6. Lester Jantzen	X		
7. Robert Keeney	X		
8. Mike Lieurance	X		

	Present	Absent	Excused
9. Dwight Nelson (ZOOM)	X		
10. Gary Northouse	X		
11. John Patcle			X
12. Gary Ranum	X		
13. Robert Scallon	X (Came late)		
14. Patrick Schroeder (ZOOM)	X		
15. Donald Splinter	X		
16. Mark Stead	X		
17. Porter Wagner	X		

Roll Call was taken by the County Clerk resulting in 16 present, 4 participating on ZOOM and 1 excused. Therefore, a quorum was present.

The following identified participants were recognized joining the meeting via ZOOM:

Dave Lambert, Highway Commissioner, Nate Dreckman, Sheriff, Troy Maggied, Southwest Regional Planning Commission, Garry Pluemer, Maintenance, David Timmerman, Herald Independent, Carol Schwartz, Orchard Manor, Jerry Wehrle, Fred Naatz, Social Services, Amy Olson, Fair, Carrie Eastlick, Treasurer, Eileen Nickels, Jeff Kindrai, Health Director, Lynda Schweikert, Conservation, Sanitation, Zoning, Carrie Kersteins, Child Support, Amanda Degenhardt, Finance Director, Joyce Roling, Personnel, Justin Johnson, Conservation, Sanitation, Zoning, Tonya White, Emergency Management, Shane Drinkwater, IT, Lori Reid, ADRC, Tina McDonald, Clerk of Court, Doug Wagan, media, James Schneider, Comm. Development Educator, Cory Ritterbusch, Regional Planning

Approval of Agenda: John Beinborn, seconded by Mark Stead, made a motion to approve the agenda with one change; to move item 12 - COVID Update up under 6 -- Minutes so Jeff Kindrai, Health Director could meet his other commitments. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Porter Wagner, seconded by Mark Stead, made a motion to approve the minutes of August 18, 2020 as presented. Motion carried.

COVID-19 Update, discussion, and possible action: Jeff Kindrai, Health Director gave the update for COVID19. They have had 15,202 reports of COVID19 since March 2020. There are 632 unconfirmed cases, 40 probable cases, 9 added today. They have followed up on 2,031 contacts, there have been 19 deaths and 469 cases have recovered. There have been 9 outbreaks in Grant County and the County is considered a high level of activity. The percentages per age group are as follows:

Under 18	2%
Ages 18-29	75%
Out of those:	
Under 20	21%
In their 20s	25%
Age 30	33%
Age 40	4%
Age 50	7%
Age 60	3%
Age 70	4 1/2%

There are two testing scheduled in the City of Platteville. There have been many discussions regarding the college students to try and keep them safe.

Southwest Regional Planning Commission Presentation – Troy Maggied gave the presentation. Southwestern WI Regional Planning has been in existence for 50 years. The annual budget is \$776,553 costing Grant County \$.89 a person. For the 2021 Budget they are projecting \$709,590, an 8.6% reduction. They are about 60% Grant funded. The services provided are Funding acquisition, Strategy and data analysis and Organizational support and capacity building.

They supply grant writing for the counties they service. Most of the grants are through the US Economic Development Administration for infrastructure grants. They have worked on 10 public works grants for a total grant funding of \$5.2 million, \$9.8 total investment. With the help of this grant funding, 383 acres of property has been developed for future development. The fiscal impact of this development is \$42.6 million in Real Estate investment and the communities are getting annually \$873,000 on their property taxes.

They also work with a Revolving Loan Fund, CBDG and EBC loans. They perform strategy planning just recently working on a Housing study in our area. They work with Businesses calling the program the Business Incubator. They provide GIS and Information Management services.

Communications: Chair Keeney reported on the 2020 Census. They will be wrapping up the counting portion at the end of September. There will be a “Census sign up” held on the Courthouse Lawn on Friday September 18; and at the Schreiner Library on Saturday, September 19. Grant County is approaching about 80% compliance.

WCA Convention is not being held, but there is 8 or 9 breakout sessions on line being offered starting on September 28 and run through November 9, 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. Monday mornings. Registration is open to sign up now.

Chair Keeney gave an update on the Communication Tower. The County received FAA approval for the tower. They are hoping to hear from the Indian Nation by October 8<sup>th</sup>. They are continuing to work through the structural design and driveway access.

Employee Recognition: Chair Keeney presented an Employee Recognition to Laura Reynolds for her 34 years of service at Orchard Manor.

Appointment(s): Chair Keeney asked for approval to appoint Steve Adrian to serve another three year term on the Board of Adjustments and also appoint Jay Adams from Blue River as an alternate member on the Board of Adjustment for a three year term.

Mark Stead made a motion seconded by Gary Northouse, to approve the appointments of Steve Adrian and Jay Adams to a three year term on the Board of Adjustment. Motion carried.

Grants: Fred Naatz, Director of Social Services presented the information for approval for the – Youth Justice Innovation Grant. This application was approved by the Social Service Committee.

The Grant source is the Department of Children and Family, Division of Safety and CFDA. The amount is for \$50,000.00 to be used to provide community base juvenile delinquency – related services. Funding Period is from September 1, 2020 to December 31, 2021. There is no match to the County.

John Beinborn, seconded by Greg Fry, made a motion to approve the grant applications for \$50,000.00 from the Department of Children and Family for juvenile delinquency related services for Social Services. Motion carried.

Nate Dreckman, Sheriff presented an application for Clickit or Ticket. The Grant Source is from DOT/BOTS – Department of Transportation / Bureau of Transportation Safety. The amount is for \$31,500.00 for seatbelt enforcement, funding period from October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021. In kind match is for \$7,875.00 which will be satisfied through mileage and equipment. Law Enforcement Committee has approved the application.

Greg Fry, seconded by Porter Wagner, made a motion to approve the application for Clickit or Ticket for the amount of \$31,500.00 from DOT/BOTS for Law Enforcement. Motion carried.

Nate Dreckman, Sheriff presented an applications for Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding. The amount is for \$58,000.00 through the Wisconsin Department of Justice. To be used for criminal Justice System Coronavirus response. This includes the jail and courthouse to purchase sanitary cleaning equipment, or sanitary and disinfectant supplies; Jail Nurse Time can be included.

A motion was made by Greg Fry, seconded by Dwight Nelson to approve the application from the Wisconsin Department of Justice for \$58,000.00 for sanitary supplies and equipment to fight the Coronavirus in the Jail and Courthouse for Law Enforcement. Motion carried.

CARES Funding – Routes to Recovery Projects: Shane Drinkwater, IT and Garry Pluemer presented the project list to the County Board for approval to go forward and complete in 2020. These projects are modifications being done because of the COVID19 Pandemic; they would qualify to receive reimbursement from the CARES Funding-Routs to Recovery.

The Routes to Recovery CARES funding which comes from the State of Wisconsin; are available to help cover unbudgeted expenditures that have occurred because of COVID19 public health emergencies from March 1, 2020 to November 6, 2020. This means the County would have to pay for the expenses incurred by these projects by November 6, 2020 before reimbursement would be received. Chair Keeney wanted the Board to know the last two projects on this list were not brought before a committee for their recommendation. Under the COVID19 Proclamation for the County, the Board has the power to do anything that is needed during the Pandemic. Ben Wood, Corporation Counsel stated as long as the Board is aware of this the Board would have three options. They can approve all the projects but the last two, bringing them up at a later date. They can pass all the projects contingent on committee approval for the last two added projects or pass all the projects as the Body of the Whole. Total fiscal impact would be \$371,206.20.

The following are the projected project list submitted by IT and Maintenance Departments.

COVID funded projects that Grant County is looking at

Fiber Optics to CSZD/Unified - This expansion of the Grant County Fiber optic network would connect the County's Conservation, Sanitation, Zoning and Lancaster's Unified Services Buildings to the Grant County fiber optic Wide Area Network. \$78,000

#### Project Goals

Provide Unified with enough internet bandwidth for trouble free video conferencing

Allow CSZD and Unified access to the County's VoIP system

Provide internet access to CSZD to reduce the County's cost for internet services

Closer to providing a redundant fiber ring for the County

Elimination of current VPN that connects CSZSD to the Administration building

Elimination of End of Life firewall equipment. Increasing security for the CSZD and Unified networks.

Potential cost savings from Unified by providing internet and phone service

County Board Room Teleconferencing system – This is an install of a video conferencing system with an audio system update to the County’s Board room. \$38,000

#### Project Goals

Replace current projector in County Board room with two 4k projectors. The projectors could be used during meetings without movement by board members. The project would also display Roll Call and conference video.

Cameras would be mounted to provide video of presenters and board members

Audio control of board member microphones for the Roll Call system.

Multiple Polycom microphones would be installed for better conference audio

Internet and zoom broadcasts of County Board room meetings

Additional 20 Licensees of Xen Desktop – Xen Desktop is a PC virtualization software that allows remote users to access virtual computers. Currently Grant County is using 20 Xen Desktop connections to support remote workers. \$9,000

#### Project Goals

Increase the County’s ability to host more remote workers

Solve remote workers PC management issues.

Increase remote workers productivity by having consistent PC performance no matter with internet speeds the remote worker has

Decrease IT support costs

Increase productivity monitoring of remote workers

Xen Desktop Server – The County’s ability to host more than 12 Virtual desktops is limited due to old legacy servers that were repurposed when CSB was opened. The new server gear as priced will support up to 96 virtual desktops. \$58,200

#### Project Goals

Better performance for remote worker and end user

Supported hardware for production use

More use cases such as Virtual desktops for Orchard Manor and Sheriff’s Office

Allow IT to offload Virtual Desktop systems and servers to a set of dedicated servers

New servers that will interconnect better with CSB’s modern network and Storage Area Network or SAN

Orchard Manor Project – Orchard Manor has a legacy phone system that is End of Life. Currently Information Technology already knows of 2 hardware failures with the current phone system. This project will allow Orchard Manor to leverage telecommunications hardware and software already installed at the County’s CSB building. \$96,900.00

#### Project Goals

Provide a stable phone platform that is supportable

Lower telecommunication costs to the County

Increase efficiency by joining Orchard Manor to the County’s phone system

Move Information Technology and Maintenance departments to 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor of Administration Building – In an effort to expand our Information Technology and Maintenance Departments to accommodate the increased workload and space needs due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Up to \$62,800

#### Project Goals

Increase space for growth of both departments

Maximize efficient floor space usage for all departments at the Administration Building.

Better distancing of staff working at the Administration building.

Additional wireless access point for Orchard Manor – Orchard Manor has started to use its wireless infrastructure more due to COVID. Users are seeing dead spots and intermittent signal issues due to the higher usage. \$7,435

#### Project Goals

Fix any interior gaps in wireless coverage for Orchard Manor  
Improve performance for existing Wi-Fi devices  
Increase coverage for bed side wireless usage

Additional Social Services Computers – Social Services relies on portable computers for most of department. The State has also commented on switching workers to laptops to allow for work from home for all Social Services employees. \$10,167

#### Project Goals

Start working towards State recommendations for laptops for all Social Services employees due to COVID  
Boost productivity for employees that have low performing laptops

Customer access window for Register of Deeds – Currently Register of Deeds is using an open window on the east side of the building to perform customer service. Maintenance would like to install an interior sliding window in the vestibule. \$5000

#### Project Goals

Provide shelter to customers from the weather  
Limiting access to the Administration building  
Better building energy efficiency

Remote access laptops for the Sheriff's Office – The Sheriff's office currently only has 1 laptop that is been designated for remote work and Zoom access. A request has been made for 3 more laptops to better support remote access and Zoom operations. \$5704.20

Carol Beals questioned if the renovations on third floor were temporary or permanent, if they were permanent she felt the cost of the construction was too low. During discussion it was explained there would be no structural wall; office furniture can be used to separate space, panel walls for electrical outlets, no ceilings would be installed, using an open floor plan. The bathrooms will be installed with walls. Gary Ranum's definition of a permanent move was they would be moving IT and Maintenance to third floor with the intention to leave those offices there in the future. In Carols opinion there needs to be more discussion on making the third floor a more usable and more presentable working space for the departments. She stated in any past discussions regarding the third floor there was never enough money to go forward.

Chair Keeney stated they would like to go forward with the third floor because the County could utilize the funds available from CARES funding. By doing this project now it is a start, going forward more permanent construction can take place.

Patrick Schroeder stated that we should be happy there are departments who want to move to the third floor and see the positive in that and don't dwell on the negative.

Roger Guthrie asked if the County knows the amount that is allotted to the County from the Recovery Funds, is that set in stone. Amanda Degenhardt, Finance Director stated we will receive \$860,000.00. The County just has to categorize each expense and justify them that they were necessary and needed



for the Pandemic. Carol Beals asked about the labor part of this. Amanda stated she is working on that at this time; there may be other funding sources for the labor part. All costs need to be related to the stipulations made during COVID19 Pandemic, the County should be a little cautious on the expenses that are submitted to make sure they qualify. There are many sources of funds available, we need to make sure our expenses are submitted to the correct funding source to maximize what Grant County's allocations are, we don't want to double dip.

Carol Beals questioned why the phone system was taken out of the 2021 Unified Budget. This was one of the projects that will be worked on 2020 for reimbursement by CARES. By taking it out of the 2021 budget now it can be funded through the CARES reimbursement. Shane stated it will be a start; this will get the fiber optic line to them, not to purchase new phones. This will reduce the cost of their Internet and it is to be determined how the costs will be divided between Iowa County and Grant County.

A motion was made by Patrick Schroeder, seconded by Porter Wagner, to move forward with all the presented projects using CARES Funding—Routes to Recovery Reimbursement Program in an amount of \$371,206.20. These unbudgeted expenditures will be tracked by the Finance Director to pay in full and then submitting the expense to the Routes of Recovery for reimbursement by November 6, 2020, clarifying that the projects do not have to be completed just paid for by that date. A Roll Call Vote was called for.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE

DATE: September 15, 2020

QUESTION: CARES Funding -- Route to Recovery projects for \$371,206.20

	YES	NO	EXCUSED
1. GARY RANUM	X		
2. GARY NORTHOUSE	X		
3. ROBERT SCALLON	X		
4. ROBERT KEENEY	X		
5. ROGER GUTHRIE	X		
6. JOHN PATCLE			X
7. GREGORY FRY (ZOOM)	X		
8. PATRICK SCHROEDER (ZOOM)	X		
9. MIKE LIEURANCE	X		
10. MARK STEAD	X		
11. DALE HOOD	X		
12. DWIGHT NELSON (ZOOM)	X		
13. CAROL BEALS (ZOOM)	X		
14. LESTER JANTZEN	X		
15. JOHN BEINBORN	X		
16. DONALD SPLINTER	X		
17. PORTER WAGNER	X		

County Clerk took the roll call vote resulting in 16 Yes votes and 1 excused. Therefore motion carried.

Progress Report, Discussion & Possible action on Grant County Community Services Facility: Chair Keeney gave the update. Brad Bierman, Tim Wiederholt and a DNR Engineer have been working on getting an exemption from DNR to bury the debris of the Wastewater Plant at Orchard Manor on site. Tim Wiederholts intentions are to begin the work next week.

Garry Pluemer, Maintenance Facility Manager, gave an update on the Community Services Building. The sign at the entrance has almost been completed; Baus Electric will be installing the lighting.

The punch list for the CSB Building is down to two items, glass and flooring. Hopefully next week that will be completed. The physical work will be done; now the paperwork between EPIC and County will have to be completed.

Comprehensive Plan Change: None

570<sup>th</sup> Zoning Amendment: Justin Johnson presented the zoning amendment to the County Board for approval. The Amendment was approved by the Jamestown Township Board and the Conservation, Zoning and Sanitation Committee.

Porter Wagner, seconded by Mike Lieurance, made a motion to approval the 570 Zoning Amendment including Petition 20-17 for Travis Kieler, Jamestown Township. Motion carried.

**570<sup>th</sup> AMENDMENT TO THE  
GRANT COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE  
September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

**WHEREAS**, a petition for map amendment was filed and a public hearing was held by the Grant County Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning Committee, meeting the requirements of Chapter 59.69 (5) (e) 2.

**WHEREAS**, a proof of publication and giving notice to each affected township clerk of such hearing is attached to this document. Chapter 59.69 (5) (e) 4

**WHEREAS**, the Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning Committee now recommends to the Board of Supervisors of Grant County the adoption of the following map amendments.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Grant County Board of Supervisors does ordain as follows. That the Zoning District Map for Grant County will be amended to reflect the following:

**PETITION #20-17:** Rezone request for Travis Kieler, PIN: 026-00739-0000, to change the zoning classification from Residential-1 to Residential-3, to allow for the expansion of an existing principal structure (home) by reducing the side property line setback from 12' to 8'. This is for +/- .486 ac for Lot 3 of Block 3 in Skemp Subdivision located in the SW ¼ of the NW ¼ & NW ¼ of the SW ¼ of Section 17, T1N, R2W, in Jamestown Township

Adopted by the Grant County Board of Supervisors this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2020

/s/ Robert Keeney, County Board Chairman      /s/ Attest: Linda Gebhard, County Clerk

Dog Claim(s): Roger Guthrie presented one dog claim from the Grant County Humane Society for approval, from the dates of August 11, 2020 to August 24, 2020 for 5 dog claims for a total of \$775.00.

Roger Guthrie made a motion seconded by Mike Lieurance to approve the payment of \$775.00 for 5 dog claims to the Grant County Humane Society contingent on the approval of the Ag and Extension Committee. Motion carried.

Adjournment: Robert Scallon made a motion seconded by Mark Stead to adjourn the meeting pursuant to the next meeting to be held on Tuesday, October 6, 2020 10:00 a.m. Motion carried.

## COUNTY BOARD MINUTES

October 6, 2020

The Grant County Board of Supervisors meet at 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, October 6, 2020 in the South Room of the Youth and Agriculture Building at 916 East Elm Street, Lancaster, WI, pursuant to the adjournment of the September 15, 2020 County Board Meeting.

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Consideration will be given and/or action taken on any or all of the following items:

Robert Keeney, County Board Chair called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Verification of compliance with the open meeting law was a notice in the Herald Independent stating the date, time and place of the County Board Meeting and posted in two public posting locations and the county website verified by Linda K. Gebhard, County Clerk.

Roll Call, October 6, 2020

	Present	Absent	Excused
1. Carol Beals (ZOOM)	X		
2. John Beinborn (ZOOM)	X		
3. Gregory Fry (ZOOM)	X		
4. Roger Guthrie	X		
5. Dale Hood	X		
6. Lester Jantzen	X		
7. Robert Keeney	X		
8. Mike Lieurance	X		
9. Dwight Nelson (ZOOM)	X		
10. Gary Northouse	X		
11. John Patcle	X		
12. Gary Ranum	X		
13. Robert Scallon	X		
14. Patrick Schroeder	X		
15. Donald Splinter	X		
16. Mark Stead	X		
17. Porter Wagner	X		

Roll Call was taken resulting in 13 present in the room and 4 participating on ZOOM. Therefore, a quorum was present.

The following identified participants were recognized joining the meeting via ZOOM:

Ben Wood, Corporation Counsel, Dave Lambert, Highway Commissioner, Nate Dreckman, Sheriff, Garry Pluemer, Maintenance, Carol Schwartz, Orchard Manor, Fred Naatz, Social Services, Amy Olson, Fair, Carrie Eastlick, Treasurer, Jeff Kindrai, Health Director, Lynda Schweikert, Conservation, Sanitation, Zoning, Carrie Kerstiens, Child Support, Amanda Degenhardt, Finance Director, Tonya White, Emergency Management, Shane Drinkwater, IT, Lori Reid, ADRC, Tina McDonald, Clerk of Court, Doug Wagan, media, James Schneider, Comm. Development Educator, Jody Bartels, Register in Probate, Ken McAndrew, Veterans Service Officer, Marilyn Pierce, Register of Deeds, Kristin Schier, CJC Coordinator, Linda K. Gebhard, County Clerk, Steve Braun, Emergency Management, Karla K. Schwantes, Deputy County Clerk

Approval of Agenda: Porter Wagner, seconded by Patrick Schroeder, made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Mark Stead, seconded by Gary Ranum, made a motion to approve the minutes of September 15, 2020 as presented. Motion carried.

CARES Funding – Routes to Recover Projects \$42,766.00: Amanda Degenhardt, Finance Director stated there were a couple more items that will be added to the Routes to Recovery funding; she asked Shane Drinkwater, IT and Garry Pluemer, Maintenance Facility Manager to take over for further discussion. These items have been approved by the Executive Committee.

Shane Drinkwater, IT stated there will be some laptops ordered for District Attorney, Clerk of Court and ADRC and other IT related items depending on availability, discretion and capacity for the IT Department.

Garry Pluemer, Maintenance stated he had put out bids for an Ionization Project in the Courthouse. This is equipment that will help the air quality in the building by purifying the circulating air; this would qualify for the Routes to Recovery Funds.

Gary Ranum stated it was also approved at the Executive Committee to give the IT Director, County Board Chair and Finance Director permission, using their discretion, to approve any further items or projects that would qualify for the Road to Recovery Funding and meet the deadline. These items would then be reported to the full County Board under this line item to keep the board informed of the decisions.

A motion was made by Patrick Schroeder, seconded by Don Splinter, to approve the projects as described including future ones with the discretion of the County Board Chair, Finance Director and IT Director based on time and capacity of the Departments. Chair Keeney included one other project that will be taken to the Law Enforcement Committee Meeting next week from Steve Braun, Emergency Management; to purchase a trailer that would house COVID testing equipment for a cost of \$13,000.00 or \$14,000.00. The complete fiscal impact of these new projects would be around \$58,000.00. A roll call vote was called for.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

DATE: October 6, 2020

QUESTION: Road to Recovery funds for projects approved by the Executive Committee

	YES	NO	EXCUSED
1. GARY RANUM	X		
2. GARY NORTHOUSE	X		
3. ROBERT SCALLON	X		
4. ROBERT KEENEY	X		
5. ROGER GUTHRIE	X		
6. JOHN PATCLE	X		
7. GREGORY FRY (ZOOM)	X		
8. PATRICK SCHROEDER	X		
9. MIKE LIEURANCE	X		
10. MARK STEAD	X		
11. DALE HOOD	X		
12. DWIGHT NELSON (ZOOM)	X		
13. CAROL BEALS (ZOOM)	X		
14. LESTER JANTZEN	X		
15. JOHN BEINBORN (ZOOM)	X		
16. DONALD SPLINTER	X		
17. PORTER WAGNER	X		

Roll Call Vote was taken resulting in 17 Yes votes. Therefore motion carried.

COVID-19 Update, discussion and possible action: Jeff Kindrai, Health Officer updated the Board on the COVID19 Pandemic. From March 2020 to date there have been 19,210 reported cases which are 37% of our population. There are 1,244 positive cases averaging about 370 cases in a two week period. Currently there are 53 probable cases; this may increase in the near future because the Universities are going to start using their antigen testing a bit more. To date mostly molecular testing has been used so the numbers will fluctuate.

Currently they have followed up on 3,571 contacts, out of those 932 are considered recovered, leaving an active caseload of 22%. Grant County has 14 active outbreaks at this time, 4 are in Educational Facilities. Our metrics are rated high at this time at 805, meaning 350 or more cases. We are starting to

trend down at this point. Jeff stated the recent increase was due to all the testing sites they have held in targeted areas. Jeff felt we probably would have seen the numbers drop off more quickly but due to this testing they have been able to identify where the positive cases were and have isolated those.

Our State rates per 100,000 now exceed the State average; we are at 2,329 the State is at 2,324 as of yesterday at 2:00 p.m. But if you look at other counties who have Universities, we are comparable.

Hospitals state wide are 81.8% full and 80.6% of ICU beds are full, this is concerning. These are licensed beds, not staff beds which cause a critical lack of availability for staffing. Locally 78.7% of hospital beds are full, 76.7% of the ICU beds are full; this is more manageable but still concerning, those hospitals are dealing with COVID patients which does not leave a lot of beds for accident or heart attack/stroke, etc. type patients.

Jeff stated the current metrics from the past two weeks:

Platteville area has dropped to	37% from upper 60%
Additional new cases are in the southern tip of the County	65% from 80%
Ages 29 and younger	46%
Under 18 of age	7%
50 or older	33%
60 or older	22%

Breaking down those percentages further are:

Under 20 years of age	15%
In their 20s	32%
In their 30s	11%
In their 40s	9%
In their 50s	11%
In their 60s	9.4%
70s and older	12%

The Health Department and Emergency Management have been coordinating with Iowa and Lafayette County to keep community wide testing sites available. They have the cooperation of the National Guard to help in these testing sites. They have seen an uptick in school related activities; some have gone to using more virtual meetings and events. But, it is also important to keep some level of in person teaching for the students who don't have internet access or computer availability.

Many Health Departments are struggling to keep up with the contact tracing to help keep things under control; this is a state wide issue. Jeff encourages the Board to follow the State website under outbreaks to follow the data; they have done a very good job in keeping up on the COVID19 Pandemic metrics. He also reiterated to use masks, use social distancing and stay home if you are sick.

Communications: Chair Keeney stated he had contacted SW Regional Planning to send more of the information Troy Maggied presented at the September meeting. Some of the Board Members did not get all the information; it is available to take at this meeting.

Chair Keeney explained the need for the Emergency #11 Proclamation he signed and following memo he sent out to the Board Members regarding Orchard Manor shortage of staff. This was approved by the Orchard Manor and Executive Committee.

To: Grant County Board Supervisors  
From: Robert Keeney

Date: October 5, 2020

Re: Update of policy deviations and declarations

The following declaration has taken place for continuity of operations due to the COVID-19 crisis.

10/01/2020 Proclamation #11 Temporary Orchard Manor Bonus / Incentive Program to Increase Staffing Needs

Due to the urgency to fill nursing assistant shifts at Orchard Manor, especially during the weekends, this Proclamation was signed on Thursday October 1<sup>st</sup>. The shortage has occurred due to the COVID-19 virus creating challenges of the available staff pool for various reasons which normally includes a number of students. The Proclamation allows for bonus pay for staff that is asked and accepts additional hours on their scheduled shift. In addition, it provides a bonus incentive to sign up for vacant open shifts. This Proclamation will be discussed at the Executive and Orchard Manor Committees prior to action for ratification taken at the November 10, 2020 County Board of Supervisors meeting.

Grant County staff continues to work to serve our citizens with services in the safest ways possible. Many buildings in the County remain closed to the public but staff is available by appointment to receive shipments and take care of necessary business. Grant County is following guidance from DHS, WCA, and other knowledgeable sources on workforce related policies and open meeting law as we continue to deal with COVID-19 health emergency.

The Proclamation will be ratified at the November County Board Meeting.

The Finance Director made available to all the Board Members the Audit Reports for their review.

Employee Recognition(s): None

Appointment(s): None

Grants: None

~~\*\* Postponed until November Meeting. Sale of tax deed parcels — 106-00067-0000 Village of Bagley, Carrie Eastlick, Treasurer~~

2021 Budget Workshop: Amanda Degenhardt, Finance Director presented the information regarding the 2021 Budget. The budgets assume a 1% raise for the employees, January 1, 2021 and July 1, 2021. Health Insurance increase was settled at a 3% increase. There was an increase in the HRA contribution charged to each Department and Workers Comp did increase 15.8% which is an increase of \$83,000.00 in premium. The Retirement for the Generals stayed the same, Protective increased .1%. Sales tax revenue is budgeted with a 2% increase over 2020 budget; the County will use \$90,000.00 from the Sales tax carry over. This year there was a \$28,000.00 decrease in the shared revenue from the State, the Levy limit allows the County to increase the levy by the net new construction; it is significantly lower in 2021 at .82%. That decreased what we can increase the levy limit at. The other piece of the levy limit is the general obligation debt payment. Total payments are 1.5 million, financing plan calls for the County to apply \$780,000.00 for capital projects so the County can only increase the levy \$744,000.00. Also the Departments are asking to use \$490,000.00 from the general fund which is the amount of lapsed funds from 2020. The Highway Department has offered \$440,000.00 from their 2019 undesignated funds to use for the 2021 budget.

Amanda then went through each Department budget and opened the discussion up for questions from the Board Members. Currently there is a deficit of \$284,857.00.

Chair Keeney stated the Executive Committee and other committees has discussed going forward it would be helpful to have a capital improvement plan which would help to spread the costs out, forecast and strategical plan for future needs rather than a hit and miss budget. It would help to explain the one-time costs that Departments have for a vehicle, or big project item. He stated Amanda is looking for a different format to help highlight those costs going forward so the numbers will not be out of line for each budget.

Mark Stead stated the Highway Department has made some sacrifices in giving some of their undesignated revenues back to the budget, are all other Departments contributing? Amanda stated many departments gave what they could; many departments do not have carryover amounts to give back, some departments used up their carryovers for previous years.

Porter Wagner asked how the COVID19 money the County has been receiving effects the budget. Chair Keeney explained there have been many sources of COVID relief funds going to different Departments. Some of the funding such as Routes to Recovery has been used to relieve some of the County's future needs taking that amount out of the budget. Some of the relief money, explained by Jeff Kindrai, Health Director, will cause programs like Public Health to come in under budget this year but should be a carryover into 2021 funding. The unknown is how the future with COVID19 will play out. For the Health Department if a vaccine comes out, maybe there will be Federal money available for the distribution of that; that is not known at this time.

Lori Reid, ADRC explained the COVID money they got had to be used first. Most of the funds went to the Nutrition Program. They have had an increase in expenses in that program because all disposable supplies had to be used for home deliveries, staff time, and mileage for the delivery of the meals. They may be able to lapse some of the funds but that is yet to be determined.

A motion was made by Patrick Schroeder, seconded by Gary Northouse, to refer the 2021 Budget back to the Executive Committee for further scrutiny and balance the budget prior to publishing and presenting the final 2021 Budget to the full County Board in November for approval. Motion carried.

Progress Report, discussion & possible action on Grant County Community Services Facility: Garry Pluemer updated the Board on the punch list at the Community Services Building. They have replaced a lot of the broken tile so far. Brad Bierman called regarding the issues with the windows. The finish on the floors needs to be discussed. Everything is ready for As Built so when they get here that will get done and talk to Shane to finish up the project. The punch lists is winding down.

DNR has been called regarding burying the 52 Building on site, this seems to be approved. Tim Wiederholt will start tearing down the wastewater treatment plant. Lynda Schwiekert will be on site to help monitor the disassembly so they can monitor if there was any leakage that has taken place.

On the Communication Tower, the Tribal Nation has not signed off yet, October 8<sup>th</sup> is the last date they have the chance to sign off, if they do not the County can go forward. Plans have been stamped for approval by the State, the layout on the fiber optic can get started for the electrical, and they are hoping to lay concrete before it frosts.

Comprehensive Plan Change: None

Zoning Amendment: None

Dog Claim(s): None

Adjournment: A motion was made by Mark Stead, seconded by Roger Guthrie to adjourn pursuant to the next meeting to be held on November 10, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. Motion carried.



**Grant County Board of Supervisors  
November 10, 2020**

The Grant County Board of Supervisors met on Tuesday, November 10, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. in the South Room of the Youth and Agriculture Building at 916 East Elm Street, Lancaster, WI, pursuant to the adjournment of the October 6, 2020 meeting.

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Consideration will be given and/or action taken on any or all of the following items:

Robert Keeney, County Board Chair called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Verification of compliance with the open meeting law was a notice in the Herald Independent stating the date, time and place of the County Board Meeting and posted in two public posting locations and the county website verified by Linda K. Gebhard, County Clerk.

Roll Call, November 10, 2020

	Present	Absent	Excused
1. Carol Beals (ZOOM)	X		
2. John Beinborn	X		
3. Gregory Fry (ZOOM)	X		
4. Roger Guthrie	X		

	Present	Absent	Excused
5. Dale Hood	X		
6. Lester Jantzen	X		
7. Robert Keeney	X		
8. Mike Lieurance	X		
9. Dwight Nelson (ZOOM)	X		
10. Gary Northouse	X		
11. John Patcle	X		
12. Gary Ranum	X		
13. Robert Scallon	X		
14. Patrick Schroeder	X		
15. Donald Splinter	X		
16. Mark Stead	X		
17. Porter Wagner	X		

Roll Call was taken resulting in 14 present in the room and 3 participating on ZOOM. Therefore, a quorum was present.

The following identified participants were recognized joining the meeting via ZOOM:

Ben Wood, Corporation Counsel, present, Dave Lambert, Highway Commissioner, present, Joyce Bos, Garry Pluemer, Maintenance, Carol Schwartz, Orchard Manor, Fred Naatz, Social Services, Amy Olson, Fair, Carrie Eastlick, Treasurer, Jeff Kindrai, Health Director, Lynda Schweikert, Conservation, Sanitation, Zoning, Amanda Degenhardt, Finance Director, Tonya White, Emergency Management, Shane Drinkwater, IT, Lori Reid, ADRC, Tina McDonald, Clerk of Court, Doug Wagan, media, James Schneider, Comm. Development Educator, Linda K. Gebhard, County Clerk, Steve Braun, Emergency Management, Dave Timmerman, Donna Swanson, Joyce Roling, Personnel, Bennett Goldstein, Brandon

Agenda: Porter Wagner, seconded by Mike Lieurance, made a motion to approve the amended agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Minutes: Mark Stead, seconded by John Beinborn, made a motion to approve the minutes of October 6, 2020 as presented. Motion carried.

Communication: Chair Keeney reminded everyone to remember the Veterans on Veterans Day for their service to our country.

Chair Keeney extended a thank you to all the participants who helped in holding a safe General Election on November 3, 2020, the County Clerk's Office, Municipal Clerks, Poll Workers, and all who played a part in the election.

Chair Keeney asked if any of the Board Members had any updates from their committees they would like to share at the meeting. None were stated.

Employee Recognition(s): Chair Keeney recognized Linda Rech for her 23 years of service to Orchard Manor and also Robin Vance for her 24 years of service to Orchard Manor. Their Certificates of Appreciation will be sent to them.

Appointment(s): None

Grant(s): Amy Olson asked for approval for a grant application she sent to COVID-19 Live Music and Entertainment Venue. The program is administered by the Wisconsin Department of Administration

(DOA) and supported by up to \$15 million in Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Federal funding. The program provides grants to support eligible live entertainment venues organizations impacted by the COVID19 pandemic. Amy has applied for \$133,976.68, applicant's 2019 ticket or event sales were \$116,228.74. October 28<sup>th</sup> is the deadline; there is no match to the county.

A motion was made by Mark Stead, seconded by Gary Ranum to approve the grant application request for the Fair; contingent of the approval of the Fair Committee, to apply for \$133,976.68 from the DOA Live Music and Entertainment Venue. Motion carried.

Jeff Kindrai, Health Department Director asked for approval to apply for the DOT Child Passenger Safety Seat Grant for funding to promote injury prevention in children by purchasing and distributing free or low cost child passenger safety seats to low income families and checking seat installation.

The amount applied for is \$2,753.00, funding period is 10/01/2020 to 09/30/2021 with a \$700.00 in kind match which will be paid through staff working time.

Robert Scallon, seconded by Porter Wagner, made a motion to approve the grant request for the Health Department for \$2,753.00 for Child Passenger Safety Seats. Motion carried.

Ratify Proclamation #11 Temporary Orchard Manor Bonus/Incentive Program to increase staffing needs:  
Chair Keeney presented Proclamation #11 to the Board for ratification.

Don Splinter, seconded by Roger Guthrie, made a motion to approve the ratification of Proclamation #11 – Temporary Orchard Manor Bonus/Incentive Program to increase Staffing needs. Motion carried.

**PROCLAMATION #11**  
**Temporary Orchard Manor Bonus/Incentive Program**  
**To Increase Staffing Needs**

**WHEREAS**, the Grant County Orchard Manor Nursing Home has minimum staffing levels that are required to be maintained by regulation; and

**WHEREAS**, The Grant County Orchard Manor Nursing Home is extremely short staffed due to limited applications for vacant positions, retirements, and voluntary resignations; and

**WHEREAS**, Orchard Manor has depleted resources to fill work shifts. Students are not working due to risk of COVID-19 exposure, and current staff continually mandated to work over their shifts, are experiencing burnout and fatigue resulting in poor morale and eventual resignation; and

**WHEREAS**, Orchard Manor is currently in a crisis staffing situation which if shifts are not filled, will result in the inability for the nursing home to accept further admissions due to insufficient staffing to care for the residents; and

**WHEREAS**, Grant County Orchard Manor wishes to temporarily apply the following Bonus/Incentive Program to employees who work extra hours during this essential time of need.

Any CAN/NA that works four or more hours over their scheduled shift, will receive a bonus in the amount of \$25.00 each time they do so.

Any CAN/NA that picks up a shift outside of their scheduled days, will receive a bonus in the amount of \$25.00 per additional shift worked.

And;

**WHEREAS**, due to the immediate need of action, it is not possible to follow policy for the Orchard Manor Committee and the Executive Committee to review and approve of the program; and

**WHEREAS**, the County Board Chair has been given special authority to approve deviations from policy;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Grant County Personnel Director supports the Orchard Manor Nursing Home Administrator's request to recommend approval of immediate temporary application of said Bonus/Incentive Program starting the date of this signed proclamation, until such time the appropriate committees meet and determine viability of the program and take proper action to approve or discontinue.

Under the authority of Resolution No. 70-18 Providing County Board Chair Emergency Administrative Flexibility for COVID-19, I hereby approve the recommendation as described above.

/s/ Robert C. Keeney

Date: October 1, 2020

COVID-19 Update, discussion and possible action: Jeff Kindrai, Health Director gave the COVID19 update. As of the middle of March there have been 26,550 cases reported of which 300 are repeat cases. There are 2,535 confirmed cases, 48 per day reported, out of those 94 probable cases. Three more deaths were reported bringing the number to 50. There are 1,983 recovered cases, 28 out breaks and 4,828 contacts have been made.

Our State is rated in the high level, hospitals are struggling because of a lack of available beds and full staffing is at a critical stage. In the past 14 days out of 672 cases 35% are in the over 50 age range and 7% are in the under 18 of age range so schools are doing well at this time even though there have been some quarantine issues and some schools are going to all virtual.

Jeff gave some percentage as follows:

under 20 of age	14%
in their 20's	22%
age 30	13%
age 40	15%
age 50	10%
age 60	10%
age 70 and over	12%

Jeff cautions all to stay safe and use good sense with the upcoming holiday events. The goal for everyone is to keep the schools and businesses open.

Carol Beals wanted to extend a thank you to the Health Department and Emergency Management Team for all the work and time they have spent during the COVID19 Pandemic. She made a motion, seconded by Greg Fry, that the Grant County Board of Supervisors go on record in support of the hard work and dedication of their employees during this Pandemic and encourage everyone to follow the CDC guidelines by washing their hands, watching their distance, and wearing masks. A Roll Call Vote was called for.

Chair Keeney made a statement, in listening to the Wisconsin SCOC meetings, we are in the “silent spread” now because of more people being out they are finding that the transfer of this disease can happen a couple days before you see the signs, so following the 3Ws is very important.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE

DATE: November 10, 2020

QUESTION: Motion to thank County dedicated Health Workers and follows the CDC guidelines.

	YES	NO	EXCUSED
1. GARY RANUM	X		
2. GARY NORTHOUSE	X		
3. ROBERT SCALLON	X		
4. ROBERT KEENEY	X		
5. ROGER GUTHRIE	X		
6. JOHN PATCLE	X		
7. GREGORY FRY (ZOOM)	X		
8. PATRICK SCHROEDER	X		
9. MIKE LIEURANCE	X		
10. MARK STEAD	X		
11. DALE HOOD	X		
12. DWIGHT NELSON (ZOOM)	X		
13. CAROL BEALS (ZOOM)	X		
14. LESTER JANTZEN	X		
15. JOHN BEINBORN	X		
16. DONALD SPLINTER	X		
17. PORTER WAGNER	X		

County Clerk took the roll call vote resulting in 3 Yes ZOOM Votes and 14 Present Yes Votes. Therefore motion carried.

Gary Ranum asked Jeff Kindrai if there was a way to tell what age group the 50 deaths were in. Jeff stated most of the deaths were in the older age groups. Pat Schroeder wondered if those individuals were in Nursing Home or Assisted Living Complexes. Jeff stated there was not a report to tell that information he could look for further information on that subject.

CARES Funding-Routes to Recovery Projects: Amanda Degenhardt, Finance Director informed the Board the last day to incur expenses with the Routes to Recovery was November 6<sup>th</sup>. They did receive notification from the Department of Administration; to ensure Counties will be able to spend the money that has been allotted to them they extended the expense incurred date to November 18<sup>th</sup>. Amanda stated she was still compiling the expenses but was sure the County would exceed the allotment of \$860,000.00. The Department of Administration stated it is fine to go over the allotment in expenses, there may be funds left over at the end in which the added expenses could apply. She is still working on other COVID sources of money like the Families First Act which is money specific for Orchard Manors use. The goal is to maximize all funding sources to get as many relief funds available to benefit the County.

Shane Drinkwater, IT Director updated the Board on some technology for the County Board Meeting Room, some added tablets to be used by Emergency Management to register people during COVID testing, a second round of lap tops were ordered for some departments and on the Fiber Optic project it is being installed now. Chair Keeney elaborated on the technology going into the Board Room, it will give us the ability to hold the meetings there again via ZOOM MEETINGS and with the big screens being installed more visibility, and allow for more social distancing.

Chair Keeney asked for a motion from the Board to approve the additional out of budget funds of \$189,781.15 needed for additional COVID related projects which will be taken out of the General Fund.

Gary Ranum, seconded by Porter Wagner, made a motion to approve the additional out of budget funds in the amount of \$189,781.15 to be taken from the General Fund for COVID related projects. A Roll Call Vote was called for.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

DATE: November 11, 2020

QUESTION: Approval of additional out of budget funds of \$189,781.15 from the General Fund.

	YES	NO	EXCUSED
1. GARY RANUM	X		
2. GARY NORTHOUSE	X		
3. ROBERT SCALLON	X		
4. ROBERT KEENEY	X		
5. ROGER GUTHRIE	X		
6. JOHN PATCLE	X		
7. GREGORY FRY ZOOM	X		
8. PATRICK SCHROEDER	X		
9. MIKE LIEURANCE	X		
10. MARK STEAD	X		
11. DALE HOOD	X		
12. DWIGHT NELSON ZOOM	X		
13. CAROL BEALS ZOOM	X		
14. LESTER JANTZEN	X		
15. JOHN BEINBORN	X		
16. DONALD SPLINTER	X		
17. PORTER WAGNER	X		

County Clerk took the roll call vote resulting in 3 Zoom Yes Votes and 14 Present Yes Votes. Therefore motion carried.

IT (0001) Backup Policy: Shane Drinkwater, IT Director presented the Backup Policy to the Board for approval. It is a policy to set guidelines for backing up procedures for the IT Department in backing up county information in four categories, disaster recover, image backups, SQL Servers and File Backups.

A motion was made by Mark Stead, seconded by Gary Northouse, to approve the IT 0001 Backup Policy for Grant County. Motion carried.

#### **INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (IT) 3.IT (0001) BACKUP POLCY**

##### **1. Approval and Adoption**

County Board; November 10, 2020

##### **2. Policy Purpose**

Data backups and restoration services are provided by the Information Technology Department for dependable and timely restoration of computer services supplied by the County. This policy describes the various types of backups used throughout the County.

##### **3. Policy Scope**

All Grant County systems that the Information Technology Department oversees.

#### 4. Policy Statement

##### Disaster recovery

All backups need to be exported offsite with a maximum window of 24 hours from when the backup was created.

##### Image backups

The Information Technology Department will make image backups of all virtual machines on a daily and/or weekly basis.

##### SQL Servers

The information Technology Department will back up all databases to an external storage unit with compression enabled. The external storage unit is responsible for replication of the stored backups at a maximum interval of 24 hours. The replicated storage partner will be offsite for disaster recovery needs.

##### File backups

- a. PC file system backups will occur every 24 hours.
- b. Server file system backups will occur as needed with a maximum backup window of 24 hours.

IT (0002) Wi-Fi Policy: Shane Drinkwater, IT Director presented the WI-FI policy to the Board for approval. This policy states the different layers of security in the County's WiFi in the three levels of government, Public, Grant County Media and Building WiFi.

A motion was made by Roger Guthrie, seconded by John Beinborn, to approve the IT 0002 WiFi Policy for Grant County. Motion carried.

### **3. IT (0002) Wi-Fi POLICY**

#### **1 Approval and Adoption**

County Board, November 10, 2020

#### **2 Policy Purpose**

The County operates and maintains wireless networking technologies for various County operations and systems. The Information Technology Department is responsible for design, installation and operation of the County's wireless networks. As the County moves forward with wireless networking technologies, it is not acceptable for department, groups or individuals to have independent wireless technologies operating in the County's information technology structure.

#### **3 Policy Scope**

All wireless networks in use by the County.

#### **4 Policy Statement**

- a. The Information Technology Department will be the overall coordinators and controllers of all County Wi-Fi systems.

- b. All County departments wanting or deploying wireless technologies will coordinate with Information Technology to provide a clean airspace.
- c. Information Technology can grant an exception for departments or staff in need of temporary private wireless network.
- d. Detection of rogue devices such as access points, hot spots or other wireless technologies will result in immediate shutdown of the device.
- e. Physical security of access points should be considered the joint responsibility of all County departments.
- f. Unethical use or hacking of any wireless network will result in immediate isolation of device, possible criminal action, and discipline up to and including termination of employment.
- g. All traffic traversing the County's access points is subject to inspection.
- h. The Information Technology Department maintains the right to reconfigure a wireless network at any time.
- i. Wi-Fi type breakdowns:

#### Public

The County's public Wi-Fi is the lowest security network provided by the Information Technology Department.

- a.) This is the network that all privately owned devices use for connectivity.
- b.) All users of this network will be subject to domain, DNS and web sanitation of requests.
- c.) Criminal activity on this network will result in permanent disconnection, criminal action actions, and / or termination of employment.

#### Grant County Media

The County's Media Wi-Fi is a medium security network provided by the Information Technology Department for media use.

- a.) This network may be used by vendors for presentation needs.
- b.) This is the preferred network for media devices. As the network has been configured to provide QoS support for media type operations.

#### Building Wi-Fi

The County's Building Wi-Fi is a high security network provided by the Information Technology Department for County use.

- a.) The Information Technology Department will be the sole entity that will configure devices for this set of networks.
- b.) All passwords will be kept and maintained by the Information Technology Department.
- c.) All building networks will use
  - a. WPA2
  - b. AES encryption



Sale of tax deed parcels: Carrie Eastlick, Treasurer presented the following tax parcels for approval by the Board.

<b>Parcel Number</b>	<b>Municipality</b>	<b>Delq Tax</b>	<b>Bid</b>	<b>Bidder</b>
106-00067-0000	Village of Bagley	2016-2019	\$17,555.10	Mary Krueger

Porter Wagner, seconded by Pat Schroeder, made a motion to approve the bid amount of \$17,555.10 for the property in Village of Bagley to Mary Krueger. Motion carried.

Resolution Authorizing Participation in Public Funding for Snowmobile Trails: James Schneider, Extension Office presented this annual resolution to the Board for funding for maintenance, upkeep, and improvements on the snowmobile trails in Grant County. The County will be eligible for \$120,000.00. A motion was made by Pat Schroeder, seconded by John Patcle, to approve the Snowmobile Resolution authorizing participation in Public Funding for Snowmobile Trails in Grant County to receive funds up to \$120,000.00. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION #06-20**  
**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN PUBLIC FUNDING FOR**  
**SNOWMOBILE TRAILS**

**WHEREAS**, Grant County is interested in sponsoring the maintaining, acquiring, insuring of the lands for public snowmobile trail use; and,

**WHEREAS**, said public snowmobile trails are eligible for funds under s. 23.09(26), Stats.;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that Grant County apply for funds under s 23.09(26) Stats., for such eligible maintenance, acquisition and insurance and hereby authorizes the Agriculture & Extension Committee of Grant County to act on behalf of Grant County to: Submit an application to the State of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for any financial aid that may be available; contact person will be James L. Schneider, Community Development Educator and take necessary action to undertake, direct and complete the approved project.

Presented and recommended for passage on this 19<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2020  
by the Agriculture & Extension Education Committee of the Grant County Board of Supervisors,  
Lancaster, Wisconsin.

/s/ Patrick Schroeder, Chair  
/s/ Mark Stead, Secretary  
/s/ Mike Lieurance

Roger Guthrie, Vice Chair  
/s/John Patcle  
/s/ Gary Northouse

Presented and approved for passage by the Grant County Board of Supervisors on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2020.

/s/ Robert C. Keeney, Chair

/s/ Linda K. Gebhard, County Clerk

**ATTEST:** I Linda K. Gebhard, Grant County Clerk, do certify that Resolution #06-20 authorizing participation in Public Funding for Snowmobile Trails was approved by the Grant County Board of Supervisors at a meeting held on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2020.

/s/ Linda K. Gebhard, Grant County Clerk

Convene to Public Hearing, 2021 Budget: Mark Stead, seconded by Gary Northouse, made a motion to convene to the Public Hearing for the discussion of the 2021 proposed budget. Motion carried

Amanda Degenhardt, Finance Director presented the proposed budget for 2021. The total 2021 Budget Expenses of \$50,374,058 which was a decrease from 2020 of a 1.8%.

Amanda Degenhardt, Finance Director presented the information regarding the 2021 Budget. The budgets assume a 1% raise for the employees, January 1, 2021 and July 1, 2021. Health Insurance increase was settled at a 3% increase. There was an increase in the HRA contribution charged to each Department and Workers Comp did increase 13% which is an increase of \$83,000.00 in premium. The Retirement for the Generals stayed the same, Protective increased .1%. There is no additional staffing in the budget, many LTE positions which are covered in COVID Expenses. Capital expenditures we have a carryover of \$160,000.00 to replace the Administration Building roof, and two fire panels for \$50,000.00 in the Courthouse.

In the funding for the County, 58% is from Program Revenues, 26% is from the tax levy, 7% for sales tax revenue is budgeted with a 2% increase over 2020 budget. The rest for funding falls under 5% for shared revenues, utility, computer and PP aids, 1% investment earnings, 1% assigned and restricted funds, 1% enterprise funds and 1% general funds. To help balance the 2021 budget \$180,000.00 will be used from the Sales Tax carryover, \$356,469.00 from the Restricted and Assigned Carryover will be used and the Highway offered \$440,000.00 from the Highways undesignated revenues and from Orchard Manor Farm Funds \$100,000.00 was offered.

Porter Wagner stated because all the departments dipped in pretty hard to give what they could to balance the budget he felt each County Board Member for one year should donate \$10.00 back to the County from their per diems. This would show the Board Members are doing their part.

Pat Schroeder agreed with Porters suggestion. Pat asked if all the departments contributed what they could. Chair Keeney reiterated that all departments worked hard to balance the budget giving what they could. Pat Schroeder went on to say, it seems to fall back on the Highway Department to bail out the county in the end to balance the budget. The county needs to look at this in the future; we have been making some serious cuts in a lot of departments but seem to be going backward fast. We complain on how expensive the Highway Department is, he feels they are making a mistake, but he stated, "we always seem to depend on them to bail the County out to balance each budget".

Reconvene to County Board: John Patcle, seconded by Don Splinter, made a motion to reconvene to the Grant County Board of Supervisors meeting. Motion carried.

Adoption of the 2021 Budget: Porter Wagner made a motion that as County Board Members they do their part and take \$10.00 off their per diem for one year. Ben Wood, Corporation Counsel questioned whether this action could be taken at this time. Changes regarding County Board Members need to be made prior to their terms. The Board asked Ben to review the rules and bring back a determination to the December Meeting whether they can take action on this or not at this time. Gary Northouse suggestion was that the Board Members not put in to receive mileage for the meetings; that may help a little.

Porter Wagner, seconded by Patrick Schroeder made an advisory motion directing Ben Wood, Corporation Counsel to investigate the opportunity to decrease County Board per diems by \$10.00 for one year for the 2021 year, this item be included on the December County Board of Supervisor Meeting for further discussion and possible action. A Roll Call Vote was called for.

### ROLL CALL VOTE

DATE: November 10, 2020

QUESTION: Advisory motion regarding changing County Board per diem per one year.

	YES	NO	EXCUSED
1. GARY RANUM	X		
2. GARY NORTHOUSE	X		
3. ROBERT SCALLON	X		
4. ROBERT KEENEY	X		
5. ROGER GUTHRIE	X		
6. JOHN PATCLE	X		
7. GREGORY FRY ZOOM	X		
8. PATRICK SCHROEDER	X		
9. MIKE LIEURANCE	X		
10. MARK STEAD	X		
11. DALE HOOD	X		
12. DWIGHT NELSON ZOOM	X		
13. CAROL BEALS ZOOM	X		
14. LESTER JANTZEN	X		
15. JOHN BEINBORN	X		
16. DONALD SPLINTER	X		
17. PORTER WAGNER	X		

County Clerk took the roll call vote resulting in 3 ZOOM Yes Votes and 14 Present Yes Votes. Therefore motion carried.

Dale Hood stated that at the next meeting if this proposal would not be approved maybe each Board Member should make out a check for \$100.00 and donate it back to the County.

No further discussion took place on this issue.

Roger Guthrie, seconded by Gary Ranum, made a motion to adopt the proposed 2021 Budget as presented recommended for approval by the Executive Committee. A roll call vote was called for.

### ROLL CALL VOTE

DATE: November 10, 2020

QUESTION: Approval of the 2021 Budget for Grant County

	YES	NO	EXCUSED
1. GARY RANUM	X		
2. GARY NORTHOUSE	X		
3. ROBERT SCALLON	X		
4. ROBERT KEENEY	X		
5. ROGER GUTHRIE	X		
6. JOHN PATCLE	X		
7. GREGORY FRY ZOOM	X		
8. PATRICK SCHROEDER	X		
9. MIKE LIEURANCE	X		
10. MARK STEAD	X		
11. DALE HOOD	X		
12. DWIGHT NELSON ZOOM	X		
13. CAROL BEALS ZOOM	X		
14. LESTER JANTZEN	X		

	YES	NO	EXCUSED
15. JOHN BEINBORN	X		
16. DONALD SPLINTER	X		
17. PORTER WAGNER	X		

County Clerk took the roll call vote resulting in 3 ZOOM Yes Votes and 14 Present Yes Votes. Therefore motion carried.

Resolution Regarding General Tax Levy: Amanda Degenhardt, Finance Director presented this resolution to the Board for approval, recommended for approval by the Executive Committee

**RESOLUTION #07-20  
GENERAL TAX LEVY**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Supervisors of Grant County, Wisconsin, that the following sums of money be raised for the ensuing year:

State Charitable and Penal Charges	\$ 235.71
Library System	\$ 503,600.00
All Other County Taxes	<u>\$12,262,881.00</u>

**GRAND TOTAL OF ALL TAXES** **\$12,766,716.71**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, by the Board of Supervisors of Grant County, Wisconsin, that there is hereby levied on all taxable property of Grant County, in order to meet the correct budget requirements of the ensuing year the sum of \$12,766,716.71; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Clerk shall apportion the sum of \$235.71 for state charges levied on all taxable property in the county, according and in proportion to the valuation thereof as determined by the Wisconsin Department of Revenue.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the sum of \$503,600.00, the amount approved for the budget of the Library System, be and hereby is levied against all taxable property in the county, excluding the Villages of Bloomington, Cassville, Dickeyville, Hazel Green, Livingston, Montfort, and Muscoda, and excluding the Cities of Boscobel, Cuba City, Fennimore, Lancaster, and Platteville.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Clerk be authorized and instructed to charge back to the proper districts of the said County the amounts due from each miscalculated personal property taxes, illegal real estate taxes, special assessments tax certificates, sundry items due from the districts and any items on the ledger as due from the districts.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Clerk shall, pursuant to Section 70.63, of the Wisconsin Statutes, determine and apportion the tax levy set forth for the respective municipalities, according and in proportion to the valuations for the towns, villages, and cities as submitted by the Wisconsin Department of Revenue.

Presented and recommended for passage on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2020 by the Executive Committee of the Grant County Board of Supervisors, Lancaster, Wisconsin.

/s/ Gary Ranum, Chair	/s/Robert Keeney
/s/ John Patcle, Vice-Chair	Dwight Nelson
/s/ Mark Stead, Secretary	/s/Mike Lieurance
/s/Donald Splinter	

**ATTEST:**

I, Linda K. Gebhard, Grant County Clerk, do certify that this resolution was adopted by the Grant County Board of Supervisors at a meeting held on November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

/s/Linda K. Gebhard, County Clerk

A motion was made by Patrick Schroeder, seconded by Don Splinter, to approve the resolution for the general tax levy recommended for approval by the Executive Committee. A roll call vote was called for.

**ROLL CALL VOTE**

**DATE:** November 10, 2020

**QUESTION:** Approval of the General tax levy.

	YES	NO	EXCUSED
1. GARY RANUM	X		
2. GARY NORTHOUSE	X		
3. ROBERT SCALLON	X		
4. ROBERT KEENEY	X		
5. ROGER GUTHRIE	X		
6. JOHN PATCLE	X		
7. GREGORY FRY ZOOM	X		
8. PATRICK SCHROEDER	X		
9. MIKE LIEURANCE	X		
10. MARK STEAD	X		
11. DALE HOOD	X		
12. DWIGHT NELSON ZOOM	X		
13. CAROL BEALS ZOOM	X		
14. LESTER JANTZEN	X		
15. JOHN BEINBORN	X		
16. DONALD SPLINTER	X		
17. PORTER WAGNER	X		

County Clerk took the roll call vote resulting in 3 ZOOM Yes Votes and 14 Present Yes Votes. Therefore motion carried.

Resolution Establishing Non-represented wages for 2021: Joyce Roling, Personnel presented the resolution to the Board for approval recommended for approval by the Executive Committee.

Mark Stead, seconded by Gary Ranum, made a motion to approve the Resolution establishing Non-represented wages for 2021. Motion carried.

**Resolution #08-20****Resolution Establishing Non-represented Wages for 2021**

**Whereas**, the Executive Committee of the Grant County Board of Supervisors recommends establishing the salary and wages for the non-represented employees of Grant County for 2021.

**Whereas**, the Executive Committee recommends a 1% across the board wage increase effective January 1, 2021, and a 1% across the board increase effective July 4, 2021.

**Now, therefore be it resolved**, that the wage and salary schedules for the non-represented employees be adjusted as stated for 2021.

Recommended for passage by the Executive Committee of the Grant County Board of Supervisors.

/s/ Gary Ranum, Chair

/s/ Robert Keeney

/s/ John Patcle, Vice Chair

Dwight Nelson

/s/ Mark Stead, Secretary

/s/ Mike Lieurance

/s/ Donald Splinter

Adopted by the Grant County Board of Supervisors this 10<sup>th</sup> Day of November, 2020.

/s/ Linda Gebhard, County Clerk

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$299,000

Resolution Establishing Grant County Board Chair Salary for 2021: Joyce Roling, Personnel Director presented the resolution to the Board for approval, recommended for passage by the Executive Committee.

Don Splinter, seconded by Roger Guthrie, made a motion to approve the resolution establishing Grant County Board Chair Salary for 2021. Motion carried. *(Chair Robert Keeney abstained from the vote)*

**Resolution #09-20**

**Resolution Establishing Grant County Board Chair Salary for 2021**

**Whereas**, the Executive Committee of the Grant County Board of Supervisors recommends establishing the salary for the Grant County Board Chair.

**Whereas**, the current salary for the Grant County Board Chair is \$51,445.

**Whereas**, the Executive Committee recommends a 1% increase effective January 1, 2021, and a 1% increase effective July 4, 2021.

**Now, therefore be it resolved**, that the salary for the County Board Chair shall be:  
January 1, 2021 \$51,959

July 4, 2021 \$52,479

Recommended for passage by the Executive Committee of the Grant County Board of Supervisors.

/s/ Gary Ranum, Chair

Abstained from voting Robert Keeney

/s/ John Patcle, Vice Chair

Dwight Nelson

/s/ Mark Stead, Secretary

/s/ Mike Lieurance

/s/ Donald Splinter

Adopted by the Grant County Board of Supervisors this 10th Day of November, 2020.

/s/ Linda Gebhard, County Clerk

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$1,180

Resolution Authorizing the County Treasurer to Settle in full the General taxes for the Tax Roll Year 2020, collectable in 2021: Carrie Eastlick, Treasurer presented the resolution to the Board for approval. Recommended for passage by the Executive Committee.

Greg Fry, seconded by Dwight Nelson, made a motion to approve the resolution authorizing the county treasurer to settle in full the general taxes for the tax roll year 2020—collectable in 2021. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION #10-20**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY  
TREASURER TO SETTLE IN FULL FOR GENERAL TAXES  
FOR THE TAX ROLL YEAR 2020 – COLLECTABLE IN 2021**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Supervisors of Grant County, Wisconsin, desire to authorize and direct the County Treasurer of Grant County, Wisconsin, to settle in full for the general taxes; however, special charges, special assessment taxes or delinquent charges shall not be settled until paid.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Supervisors of Grant County, Wisconsin, that the County Treasurer of Grant County, Wisconsin, be and is hereby authorized to settle in full for these outstanding general taxes; however, the County Treasurer shall not settle special charges and special assessment taxes or delinquent charges in full for the year 2020 until paid.

Presented and recommended for passage on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2020 by the Executive Committee of the Grant County Board of Supervisors, Lancaster, Wisconsin.

/s/ Gary Ranum, Chair

/s/ Robert C. Keeney, Co. Board Chair

/s/ John Patcle, Vice Chair

Dwight Nelson

/s/ Mark Stead, Secretary

/s/ Mike Lieurance

/s/ Don Splinter

**ATTEST:** I, Linda K Gebhard, Grant County Clerk, do certify that this resolution was adopted by the Grant County Board of Supervisors at a meeting held on November 10, 2020.

/s/ Linda K Gebhard, County Clerk

Resolution Regarding the Investment of County Funds: Carrie Eastlick, Treasurer presented the resolution to the Board for approval which was recommended for approval by the Executive Committee. John Beinborn, seconded by Robert Scallon made a motion to approve the resolution regarding the investment of county funds. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION #11-20  
RESOLUTION REGARDING THE INVESTMENT  
OF COUNTY FUNDS**

**WHEREAS**, the County Treasurer will have on hand sums of money from tax levy, and part of such levy will not be required for immediate expenses for several months.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the County Treasurer with the approval of the Executive Committee be and hereby is authorized to invest funds not immediately needed for the transaction of the County business into United States Treasury Bills, Notes, and Bonds; in Banks, certified by the Commission of Banking to accept public funds and, in Savings and Loans, certified by the Commission of Savings and Loans to accept public funds, and in Credit Unions, certified by the Commission of Credit Unions to accept public funds and in the State of Wisconsin's Local Government Pooled Investment Fund. The County Treasurer shall be bonded.

Presented and recommended for passage on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2020, by the Executive Committee of the Grant County Board of Supervisors, Lancaster, Wisconsin.

/s/Gary Ranum, Chair

/s/ Robert C. Keeney, Co. Board Chair

/s/ John Patcle, Vice Chair

Dwight Nelson

/s/ Mark Stead, Secretary

/s/ Mike Lieurance

/s/ Don Splinter

**ATTEST:** I, Linda K Gebhard, Grant County Clerk, do certify that this resolution was adopted by the Grant County Board of Supervisors at a meeting held on November 10, 2020.

/s/ Linda K Gebhard, County Clerk

Resolution Regarding County Order (Checks): Carrie Eastlick, Treasurer presented the resolution to the Board for approval which was recommended for approval.

John Patcle, seconded by Greg Frey, made a motion to approve the resolution regarding county orders (checks). Motion carried.

#### **RESOLUTION #12-20**

#### **RESOLUTION REGARDING COUNTY ORDERS (CHECKS)**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Grant County Board of Supervisors, Wisconsin, that:

1. The Chairman, the Clerk and the Treasurer of this Board be, and they are hereby directed to execute county orders (checks) for all bills allowed at this session, to deliver them to the persons entitled to same; and
2. The Chairman, the Clerk and the Treasurer shall have charge of all property, shall draw orders (checks) for the payment of bills for purchases made for the general operating expenses; which shall be made prior to the meeting of the Board, including officers' salaries, and all other items, required by law.

Presented and recommended for passage on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2020 by the Executive Committee of the Grant County Board of Supervisors, Lancaster, Wisconsin.

/s/ Gary Ranum, Chair

/s/ Robert C. Keeney, Co. Board Chair

/s/ John Patcle, Vice Chair

Dwight Nelson

/s/ Mark Stead, Secretary

/s/ Mike Lieurance

/s/ Don Splinter

#### **ATTEST:**

I, Linda K Gebhard, Grant County Clerk, do certify that this resolution was adopted by the Grant County Board of Supervisors at a meeting held on November 10, 2020.

/s/ Linda K Gebhard, County Clerk

Resolution Relating to Aging & Disability Resource Center 85.20 (State Aid and 5311 Federal Aid) to provide subsidized taxi transportation service to residents of Grant County: Lori Reid, ADRC Director presented the resolution to the Board for approval.

Dale Hood, seconded by Lester Jantzen, made a motion to approve the ADRC resolution Section 85.20 (State Aid) and 5311 (Federal Aid) of the Wisconsin Statutes authorizes the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to make grants to the counties of Wisconsin for the purpose of assisting them in providing subsidized taxi transportation service to residents of Grant County. Motion carried.

#### **Resolution #13-20 RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE AGING & DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER OF GRANT COUNTY**

**WHEREAS,** Section 85.20 (State Aid) and 5311 (Federal Aid) of the Wisconsin Statutes authorizes the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to make grants to the counties of Wisconsin for the purpose of assisting them in providing subsidized taxi transportation service to residents of Grant County; and



**WHEREAS**, this body considers that the provision of subsidized taxi transportation services would improve and promote the maintenance of human dignity and self-sufficiency of Grant County residents.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Supervisors of Grant County on this 10th day of November, 2020, authorizes the Aging & Disability Resource Center of Grant County to prepare and submit to the Wisconsin Department of Transportation an application for Public Transportation Operating Assistance during 2021 under 85.20 of the Wisconsin Statutes, in conformance with the requirements issued by that Department.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Grant County authorizes the Chairman of the County Board of Supervisors to execute a contract with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation under 85.20 (State Aid) and 5311 (Federal Aid) of the Wisconsin Statutes on behalf of Grant County.

Recommended for passage this 19th day of August 2020 by the Aging & Disability Resource Center - Grant County Committee.

/s/ Robert Keeney	/s/Dale Hood
/s/ Pat Reynolds	/s/ Lester Jantzen
/s/ Rob Bell	/s/ Carolyn Van DeWiel
/s/ Pam Hendrick	/s/ Arnold Rawson

**ATTEST:** I Linda K. Gebhard, Grant County Clerk, do certify that Resolution #13-20 Relating to Aging & Disability Resource Center Section 85.20 Grant County was approved by the Grant County Board of Supervisors at a meeting held on November 10, 2020. /s/ Linda K. Gebhard, County Clerk

Resolution Relating to Aging and Disability Resource Center 85.21 assisting in providing specialized transportation service to elderly and disabled: Lori Reid, ADRC Director presented the resolution to the Board for approval.

Lester Jantzen, made a motion seconded by Dale Hood, to approve the resolution Section 85.21 of the Wisconsin Statutes authorizes the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to make grants to the counties of Wisconsin for the purpose of assisting them in providing specialized transportation services to the elderly and the disabled. Motion carried.

**Resolution #14-20**  
**RESOLUTION RELATING TO AGING & DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER**  
**GRANT COUNTY**

**WHEREAS**, Section 85.21 of the Wisconsin Statutes authorizes the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to make grants to the counties of Wisconsin for the purpose of assisting them in providing specialized transportation services to the elderly and the disabled; and

**WHEREAS**, each grant must be matched with a local share equal of not less than 20% times the amount of the grant; and

**WHEREAS**, this body considers that the provision of specialized transportation services would improve and promote the maintenance of human dignity and self-sufficiency of the elderly and the disabled.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Supervisors of Grant County on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2020, authorizes the Aging and Disability Resource Center - Grant County to prepare and submit to the Wisconsin Department of Transportation an application for assistance during 2021 under Section 85.21 of the Wisconsin Statutes, in conformance with the requirements issued by that Department and also authorizes the obligation of county funds in the amount needed to provide the required local match.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Grant County authorizes the Chairman of the County Board of Supervisors to execute a state aid contract with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation under Section 85.21 of the Wisconsin Statutes on behalf of Grant County.

Recommended for passage this 19<sup>th</sup> day of August 2020 by the Aging and Disability Resource Center - Grant County Committee.

/s/ Robert Keeney  
/s/ Pat Reynolds  
/s/ Rob Bell  
/s/ Pam Hendrick

/s/ Dale Hood  
/s/ Lester Jantzen  
/s/ Carolyn Van DeWiel  
/s/ Arnold Rawson

**ATTEST:** I Linda K. Gebhard, Grant County Clerk, do certify that Resolution #14-20 Relating to Aging & Disability Resource Center Section 85.21 Grant County was approved by the Grant County Board of Supervisors at a meeting held on November 10, 2020. /s/ Linda K. Gebhard, County Clerk

Resolution County Aid Bridge Construction: Dave Lambert, Highway Commissioner presented the resolution to the Board for approval.

#### **RESOLUTION #15-20**

#### **COUNTY AID BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION UNDER SECTION 82.08**

#### **OF THE WISCONSIN STATE STATUTES - COUNTY OF GRANT**

**WHEREAS**, by specifications in the 2021 Budget and Levy for 2021, the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Grant County has appropriated funds and authorized the Grant County Highway Commission to proceed with the proper prosecution of all work provided for therein, and

**WHEREAS**, your Committee has included in its budget requests appropriations for the granting of petitions for County Aid under S. 82.08, Stats., filed by governmental units as follows:

<u>TOWNSHIP</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>TOTAL COST</u>	<u>MUNICIPALITY SHARE</u>	<u>COUNTY SHARE</u>
Beetown	Diamond Grove Road #1-20 48-inch CMCP	\$2,585.30	\$1,292.65	\$1,292.65

"	Shortcut Road #2-20 36-inch CMCP	\$2,140.71	\$1,070.36	\$1,070.35
Cassville	Lime Lane Local Road Improvement Project - TRI (3) 36-inch CMCPs	\$54,321.43	\$35,152.18	\$19,169.25
"	Muddy Hollow Rd #2-20 36-inch CMCP & 48-inch CMCP	\$6,861.64	\$3,430.82	\$3,430.82
Harrison	Baker-Ford Road #1-20 60-inch CMCP	\$13,051.10	\$6,525.55	\$6,525.55
"	Harrison Road #2-20 48-inch CMCP	\$5,371.88	\$2,685.94	\$2,685.94
Hazel Green	Kirkwood Road #1-20 60-inch CMCP	\$12,371.15	\$6,185.58	\$6,185.57
Jamestown	Murphy Road #1-20 36-inch CMCP	\$3,003.79	\$1,501.90	\$1,501.89
"	Mound Road #2-20 (3) 72-inch CMCPs	\$12,847.50	\$6,423.75	\$6,423.75
Little Grant	Marian Road #1-20 72-inch CMCP	\$10,290.84	\$5,145.42	\$5,145.42
<u>TOWNSHIP</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>COST</u>	<u>SHARE</u>	<u>SHARE</u>
Little Grant	Pleasant Valley Road #2-20 (2) 84-inch CMCP	\$30,240.41	\$15,120.21	\$15,120.20
Millville	Millville Hollow Road #1-20 ( <i>Fisher</i> ) 8 x 8 Precast RCBC	\$54,421.98	\$27,210.99	\$27,210.99
"	Millville Hollow Road #2-20 ( <i>Hammon</i> ) 48-inch CMCP	\$4,887.46	\$2,443.73	\$2,443.73
North Lancaster	Mt. Zion Road	\$16,083.64	\$8,041.82	\$8,041.82

	#1-20 72-inch CMCP w/AEW			
Paris	Cliff Lane #1-20 6 x 6 RCBC Extension	\$16,850.56	\$8,425.28	\$8,425.28
Potosi	Dutch Hollow Road Local Road Improvement Project - TRI 72-inch CMCP <i>(Completed in 2019)</i>	\$3,076.41	\$1,538.21	\$1,538.20
Smelser	Hill Road #1-20 36-inch CMCP	\$3,683.83	\$1,841.92	\$1,841.91
"	Rock Road #2-20 (2) 36-inch CMCPs	\$6,491.74	\$3,245.87	\$3,245.87
Watterstown	Kiwanis Road #1-20 10-foot Steel Deck Girder Extension	\$24,834.01	\$12,417.01	\$12,417.00
Wyalusing	Burrows Lane #1-20 72-inch CMCP Extension	\$8,437.55	\$4,218.78	\$4,218.77
"	Burrows Hill Lane #2-20 36-inch CMCP	\$4,088.36	\$2,044.18	\$2,044.18
<i>TOTAL BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION COSTS</i>		\$295,941.29		
<i>MUNICIPAL BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION COSTS</i>			\$155,962.15	
<i>ELIGIBLE COST FOR COUNTY AID</i>				\$139,979.14

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Grant County Board of Supervisors met in regular session that the above described petitions for County Aid be and hereby are granted with the appropriations shown approved.

For considerations by the Grant County Board of Supervisors on 10 November, 2020.

Respectfully submitted:

Grant County Highway Commission

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Grant County Board of Supervisors met in regular session

that the above described petitions for County Aid be and hereby are granted with the appropriations shown approved.

For considerations by the Grant County Board of Supervisors on 10<sup>th</sup> of November, 2020.

Respectfully submitted:

Grant County Highway Commission

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/s/ Donald J. Splinter, Chair  
Grant County Highway Committee Chairman

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/s/ John Patcle , Vice Chair  
Grant County Highway Committee Vice-Chairman

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/s/ Mark Stead, Secretary

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/s/ Lester Jantzen

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/s/ Dwight Nelson

John Patcle, made a motion, seconded by Gary Northouse, to approve the resolution for County Aid Bridge Construction under Section 82.08 of the Wisconsin State Statutes. A roll call vote was called for.

ROLL CALL VOTE

DATE: November 10, 2020

QUESTION: County Bridge Construction under section 82.08.

	YES	NO	ABSTAINED
1. GARY RANUM	X		
2. GARY NORTHOUSE	X		
3. ROBERT SCALLON	X		
4. ROBERT KEENEY	X		
5. ROGER GUTHRIE	X		
6. JOHN PATCLE	X		
7. GREGORY FRY ZOOM	X		
8. PATRICK SCHROEDER	X		
9. MIKE LIEURANCE	X		
10. MARK STEAD	X		
11. DALE HOOD	X		
12. DWIGHT NELSON ZOOM	X		
13. CAROL BEALS ZOOM	X		
14. LESTER JANTZEN			X
15. JOHN BEINBORN	X		
16. DONALD SPLINTER			X
17. PORTER WAGNER	X		

County Clerk took the roll call vote resulting in 3 ZOOM Yes Votes and 12 Present Yes Votes and 2 abstained. Therefore motion carried.

Resolution County Construction and Maintenance During the Calendar Year of 2021: Dave Lambert  
Highway Commissioner presented the resolution to the Board for approval.

**RESOLUTION #16-20**  
**COUNTY CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE**  
**DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR 2021**

**SECTION I.** The County Board of Supervisors of Grant County, Wisconsin regularly assembled, does hereby ordain that such funds as may be made available to the County for highway work in the year 2021 under the provisions of Section 86.30 of the Statutes, and the additional sums herein appropriated, shall be expended as hereinafter set forth:

**SECTION II. COUNTY TRUNK HIGHWAY ALLOTMENT.** WHEREAS, the State Highway Commission has notified the County Clerk that a sum of money estimated to be One Million Five Hundred Seven Thousand, Seven Hundred Fifty-Three Dollars and 00/100 (\$1,507,753.00) will become available at the end of the fiscal year under the provisions of Section 86.30 of the Statutes, for the County Trunk Highway System in the County, but the actual amount will not be known until the close of the fiscal year ending December 31, 2020.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the County Highway Committee is authorized and directed to expend the said sum to the extent required to match and supplement Federal Aid for construction, right of way, and other cost on any Federal projects located on the County Trunk Highway System of said County, which are not recovered from Federal Funds, and to expend any balance for construction, repairing, and maintaining such County Trunk Highway System and Bridges thereon, including snow and ice removal and control, as directed in Section 86.30 of the Statutes, and to reimburse the general fund for any expenditures that may be made therefore pursuant to Section 86.30 of the Statutes. The distribution to such purpose to estimated, but not specifically directed, to be as follows:

**SECTION III.** WHEREAS, it appears that certain highway improvements in the County are necessary and warranted,

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the County Board does hereby appropriate the following sums for the purpose hereinafter set forth:

(1) The Sum of Three Hundred Two Thousand Four Hundred Eighteen Dollars and 00/100 (\$302,418.00) for Federal Aid Secondary Projects.

(2) For the Maintenance of the County Trunk Highway System the sum of Nine Hundred One Thousand, Six Hundred Fifty-One Dollars and 00/100 (\$901,651.00).

(3) For emergency road or bridge repairs or construction, the necessity for which is determined by the County Highway Committee for which other funds are not available, the sum of One Hundred Fifty-Four Thousand, Three Hundred Forty-Three Dollars and 00/100 (\$154,343.00).

(4) For the purchase of machinery, the sum of Eight Hundred Forty-One Thousand, Six Hundred Eighty-One Dollars and 00/100 (\$841,681.00).

(5) For the purchase, maintenance and repair of machinery the sum received from Machinery Rental.

(6) For the purchase of County Gravel Pits and Stone Quarries the sum received from Quarry

Fees.

(7) For administration, including salaries, per diem, incidental labor office and travel expense of the County Highway Committee, the County Highway Commissioner, his bookkeepers and assistant not paid from construction or maintenance funds, the sum of Two Hundred Fifty-Seven Thousand One Hundred Sixty-Six Dollars and 00/100 (\$257,166.00).

(8) For bituminous surfacing on County Trunk Highways the sum of Two Million, Eight Hundred Three Thousand, Five Hundred Thirty-Nine Dollars and 00/100 (\$2,803,539.00).

(9) For snow and ice control on County Trunk Highways the sum of One Million, Fifty-Fifty Thousand, Nine Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars and 00/100 (\$1,055,925.00).

**TOTAL AUTHORIZED IN THIS SECTION: \$6,316,723**

**SECTION IV. WHEREAS**, appropriations are made herein, in addition to the amounts to be received from the State and available for work in the County under Section 86.30 of the Statutes.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the County Board does hereby levy a tax on all of the property in the County to meet such appropriations as follows:

(1) For the various purposes as set forth in Section III here of the sum of Four Million, Eight Hundred Eight Thousand, Nine Hundred Seventy Dollars and 00/100 (\$4,808,970.00).

WARNING: It is directed that provision for this levy shall be made in the County Budget, but that this levy shall not be duplicated.

**SECTION V. WHEREAS**, the various highway activities for which provisions are made in the resolution are continuous from year to year, and the exact cost of any work cannot be known at the time of making the appropriations, therefore;

**BE IT RESOLVED** that this Board does hereby direct that any balance remaining in any appropriation for specific highway improvement after the same shall have been completed may be used by the County Highway Committee to make up any deficit that may occur in any other improvement, which is part of the same item in the County Budget, for which provisions are herein made, and any balances remaining at the end of the year in any highway fund shall remain and be available for the same purpose in the ensuing year.

**SECTION VI. WHEREAS**, the exact amount of the funds that will become available from the State for highway purposes in the County under Section 86.30 of the Statutes will not be known until on or after July 1, 2021.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the County Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to make payments for the purposes for which such funds are to be used, as herein before authorized, from any funds in the County Treasury that are not required for the purposes for which appropriated prior to August 1, 2021, and to reimburse such funds in the County Treasury from the sum received under Section 86.30 of the Statutes.

**SECTION VII. WHEREAS**, the County Highway Committee and the County Highway Commissioner are charged with the duty and responsibility of carrying out the construction and

maintenance of the highways for which provision is made, and other related supervisory and administrative duties.

Resolution offered by:

*/S/Donald Splinter, Chairman*

*/S/ John Patcle, V-Chair*

*/S/Mark Stead, Secretary*

*/s/ Dwight Nelson*

*/S/ Lester Jantzen*

Mark Stead made a motion, seconded by Lester Jantzen, to approve the resolution for County Construction and Maintenance during the calendar year 2020. A Roll Call vote was called for.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

**DATE:** November 10, 2020

**QUESTION:** County Construction and Maintenance during the calendar year 2020.

	YES	NO	EXCUSED
GARY RANUM	X		
GARY NORTHOUSE	X		
ROBERT SCALLON	X		
ROBERT KEENEY	X		
ROGER GUTHRIE	X		
JOHN PATCLE	X		
GREGORY FRY (ZOOM)	X		
PATRICK SCHROEDER	X		
MIKE LIEURANCE	X		
MARK STEAD	X		
DALE HOOD	X		
DWIGHT NELSON (ZOOM)	X		
CAROL BEALS (ZOOM)	X		
LESTER JANTZEN	X		
JOHN BEINBORN	X		
DONALD SPLINTER	X		
PORTER WAGNER	X		

County Clerk took the roll call vote resulting in 3 ZOOM Yes Votes and 14 Present Yes Votes. Therefore motion carried.



Resolution County Aid—Towns: Dave Lambert, Highway Commissioner presented the resolution to the Board for approval.

**RESOLUTION #17-20**  
**RESOLUTION REGARDING COUNTY ROAD AID-TOWNSHIPS**  
**SECTION 83.14 OF THE STATUTES**  
**COUNTY OF GRANT**

**WHEREAS**, various Towns hereinafter named have filed petitions for County Aid for roads under the provisions of Section 83.14 of the Statutes,

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that said petitions are hereby granted and County appropriations made as follows:

<u>TOWNS</u>	<u>AMOUNT RAISED BY LOCAL UNITS</u>	<u>AMOUNT OF COUNTY AID GRANTED</u>
Beetown	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Bloomington	2,000.00	2,000.00
Boscobel	2,000.00	2,000.00
Cassville	2,000.00	2,000.00
Castle Rock	2,000.00	2,000.00
Clifton	2,000.00	2,000.00
Ellenboro	2,000.00	2,000.00
Fennimore	2,000.00	2,000.00
Glen Haven	2,000.00	2,000.00
Harrison	2,000.00	2,000.00
Hazel Green	2,000.00	2,000.00
Hickory Grove	2,000.00	2,000.00
Jamestown	2,000.00	2,000.00
Liberty	2,000.00	2,000.00
Lima	2,000.00	2,000.00
Little Grant	2,000.00	2,000.00
Marion	2,000.00	2,000.00
Millville	2,000.00	2,000.00
Mt. Hope	2,000.00	2,000.00
Mt. Ida	2,000.00	2,000.00
Muscoda	2,000.00	2,000.00
North Lancaster	2,000.00	2,000.00
Paris	2,000.00	2,000.00
Patch Grove	2,000.00	2,000.00
Platteville	2,000.00	2,000.00
Potosi	2,000.00	2,000.00
Smelser	2,000.00	2,000.00
South Lancaster	2,000.00	2,000.00
Waterloo	2,000.00	2,000.00
Watterstown	2,000.00	2,000.00
Wingville	2,000.00	2,000.00
Woodman	2,000.00	2,000.00
Wyalusing	<u>2,000.00</u>	<u>2,000.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 66,000.00	\$ 66,000.00

The County Board does hereby levy a tax to meet said appropriations on all of the property in the County, which is taxable for such purpose.

WARNING: It is directed that provision for this levy shall be made in the County Budget, but that this levy shall not be duplicated.

Resolution offered by:

/s/ Donald Splinter, Chairman

/s/ John Patcle, V-Chair

/s/ Mark Stead, Secretary

/s/ Dwight Nelson

/s/ Lester Jantzen

Porter Wagner, seconded by Don Splinter, made a motion to approve the resolution regarding County Road Aid-Township, Section 83.14 of the Statutes. A roll call vote was called for.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE

**DATE:** November 10, 2020

**QUESTION:** Resolution regarding County Road Aid-Township, Section 83.14 of the Statutes.

	YES	NO	EXCUSED
1. GARY RANUM	X		
2. GARY NORTHOUSE	X		
3. ROBERT SCALLON	X		
4. ROBERT KEENEY	X		
5. ROGER GUTHRIE	X		
6. JOHN PATCLE	X		
7. GREGORY FRY (ZOOM)	X		
8. PATRICK SCHROEDER	X		
9. MIKE LIEURANCE	X		
10. MARK STEAD	X		
11. DALE HOOD	X		
12. DWIGHT NELSON (ZOOM)	X		
13. CAROL BEALS (ZOOM)	X		
14. LESTER JANTZEN	X		
15. JOHN BEINBORN	X		
16. DONALD SPLINTER	X		
17. PORTER WAGNER	X		

County Clerk took the roll call vote resulting in 3 ZOOM Yes Votes and 14 Present Yes Votes. Therefore motion carried.

Resolution County Aid—Villages: Dave Lambert, Highway Commissioner presented the resolution to the Board for approval.

**RESOLUTION #18-20  
RESOLUTION REGARDING COUNTY ROAD AID-VILLAGES  
SECTION 83.14 OF THE STATUTES  
COUNTY OF GRANT**

**WHEREAS**, various Villages hereinafter named have filed petitions for County Aid for roads under the provisions of Section 83.14 of the Statutes,

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that said petitions are hereby granted and County appropriations made as follows:

<b><u>VILLAGES</u></b>	<b><u>AMOUNT RAISED BY LOCAL UNITS</u></b>	<b><u>AMOUNT OF COUNTY AID GRANTED</u></b>
Bagley	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Bloomington	2,000.00	2,000.00
Blue River	2,000.00	2,000.00
Cassville	2,000.00	2,000.00
Dickeyville	2,000.00	2,000.00
Hazel Green	2,000.00	2,000.00
Livingston	2,000.00	2,000.00
Montfort	2,000.00	2,000.00
Mt. Hope	2,000.00	2,000.00
Muscoda	2,000.00	2,000.00
Patch Grove	2,000.00	2,000.00
Potosi	2,000.00	2,000.00
Tennyson	2,000.00	2,000.00
Woodman	<u>2,000.00</u>	<u>2,000.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 28,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 28,000.00</b>

The County Board does hereby levy a tax to meet said appropriations on all of the property in the County, which is taxable for such purpose.

**WARNING:** It is directed that provision for this levy shall be made in the County Budget, but that this levy shall not be duplicated.

Resolution offered by:

/s/ Donald Splinter, Chairman

/s/ John Patcle, V-Chair

/s/ Mark Stead, Secretary

/s/ Dwight Nelson

/s/ Lester Jantzen

John Patcle, seconded by Don Splinter, made a motion to approve the resolution regarding County Road aid-villages, Section 83.14 of the Statutes. A roll call vote was called for.

**ROLL CALL VOTE**

**DATE:** November 10, 2020

**QUESTION:** County Road aid-villages, Section 83.14 of the Statutes.

	YES	NO	EXCUSED
1. GARY RANUM	X		
2. GARY NORTHOUSE	X		
3. ROBERT SCALLON	X		
4. ROBERT KEENEY	X		
5. ROGER GUTHRIE	X		
6. JOHN PATCLE	X		
7. GREGORY FRY (ZOOM)	X		
8. PATRICK SCHROEDER	X		
9. MIKE LIEURANCE	X		
10. MARK STEAD	X		
11. DALE HOOD	X		
12. DWIGHT NELSON (ZOOM)	X		
13. CAROL BEALS (ZOOM)	X		
14. LESTER JANTZEN	X		
15. JOHN BEINBORN	X		
16. DONALD SPLINTER	X		
17. PORTER WAGNER	X		

County Clerk took the roll call vote resulting in 3 ZOOM Yes Votes and 14 Present Yes Votes. Therefore motion carried.

Resolution County Aid—Cities: Dave Lambert, Highway Commissioner presented the resolution to the Board for approval.

**RESOLUTION #19-20  
RESOLUTION REGARDING COUNTY ROAD AID-CITIES  
SECTION 83.14 OF THE STATUTES  
COUNTY OF GRANT**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that under Statute 83.03, the Cities of Boscobel, Cuba City, Fennimore, Lancaster and Platteville be allowed \$2,000.00 each for County Road Aid.

TOTAL: \$10,000.00

The County Board does hereby levy a tax to meet said appropriations on all of the property in the County, which is taxable for such purpose.

**WARNING:** It is directed that provision for this levy shall be made in the County Budget, but that this levy shall not be duplicated.

Resolution offered by:

/s/ Donald Splinter, Chairman

/s/ John Patcle, V-Chair

/s/ Mark Stead, Secretary

/s/Dwight Nelson

/s/ Lester Jantzen

John Beinborn, seconded by Mark Stead, made a motion to approve the resolution regarding County Road Aid-Cities. A roll call vote was called for.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE

**DATE:** November 10, 2020

**QUESTION:** Resolution regarding County Road Aid-Cities.

	YES	NO	EXCUSED
1. GARY RANUM	X		
2. GARY NORTHOUSE	X		
3. ROBERT SCALLON	X		
4. ROBERT KEENEY	X		
5. ROGER GUTHRIE	X		
6. JOHN PATCLE	X		
7. GREGORY FRY (ZOOM)	X		
8. PATRICK SCHROEDER	X		
9. MIKE LIEURANCE	X		
10. MARK STEAD	X		
11. DALE HOOD	X		
12. DWIGHT NELSON (ZOOM)	X		
13. CAROL BEALS (ZOOM)	X		
14. LESTER JANTZEN	X		
15. JOHN BEINBORN	X		
16. DONALD SPLINTER	X		
17. PORTER WAGNER	X		

County Clerk took the roll call vote resulting in 3 ZOOM Yes Votes and 14 Present Yes Votes. Therefore motion carried.

Progress Report, Discussion & Possible action on Grant County Community Services Facility: Garry Pluemer updated the Board. The floor in the entry way has been taken care of; all the broken tiles have been replaced, sealed and stripped. There are a couple items on the roof that will be the manufacturing warranty issue. It's down to the paper work between Garry, EPIC, and IT, being paperless; that has to be sorted out.

Chair Keeney told the Board the 52 Building is now gone. DNR has been in the County to investigate the speculation of lead paint in the debris. They feel the paint that was in the kitchen area had lead in it, that area will be sorted out and be trucked away; they are waiting on the State to approve the rest of the building.

Tim Wiederholt has been on site for the last 8 to 9 days and has abandoned the Wastewater Treatment Plant. The structure was buried on site. Chair Keeney stated his hope is to finalize all the projects at the December Meeting.

Comprehensive Plan Change: None

Zoning Amendment: Lynda Schweikert presented the zoning amendments to the Board for approval. All amendments were approved by the township boards and the Conservation, Sanitation, Zoning Committee.

A motion was made by Porter Wagner, seconded by Dale Hood, to approve the 571<sup>st</sup> Amendment to the Grant County Zoning Ordinance. Motion carried.

**571<sup>st</sup> AMENDMENT TO THE  
GRANT COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE  
November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

**WHEREAS**, a petition for map amendment was filed and a public hearing was held by the Grant County Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning Committee, meeting the requirements of Chapter 59.69 (5) (e) 2.

**WHEREAS**, a proof of publication and giving notice to each affected township clerk of such hearing is attached to this document. Chapter 59.69 (5) (e) 4

**WHEREAS**, the Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning Committee now recommends to the Board of Supervisors of Grant County the adoption of the following map amendments.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Grant County Board of Supervisors does ordain as follows. That the Zoning District Map for Grant County will be amended to reflect the following:

**PETITION #20-18:** Rezone request for Jace Properties LLC, PIN: 026-00084-0000, to change the zoning classification from Commercial-2 to Light Industrial (M-1), to allow for the use of a spray foam business. This is for +/- 2.155 ac located in the NW ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 3, T1N, R2W, in Jamestown Township

**PETITION #20-19:** Rezone request for Nathan & Sarah Imobersteg, PIN: 050-00572-0000, to change the zoning classification from Farmland Preservation to Agricultural-2, to allow for the use of a nonfarm residence & proposed pole shed. This is for +/- 2.1 ac located in the NW ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 19, T3N, R1W, in Platteville Township

**PETITION #20-20:** Rezone request for Scott Travis, PIN: 050-00981-0000, to change the zoning classification from Farmland Preservation to Agricultural-2, to allow for the use of a nonfarm residence & shed. This is for +/- 6.30 ac located in the SW ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 32, T3N, R1W, in Platteville Township

Adopted by the Grant County Board of Supervisors this 10<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2020

/s/ Robert Keeney, County Board Chairman

**Attest:** /s/Linda Gebhard, County Clerk

Dog Claim(s): None

Discussion and Possible Action on Broadband Project Grant Support: Chair Keeney updated the Board on this item. This was discussed at the Executive Committee prior to the County Board Meeting.

Gary Ranum took over the discussion. The Bug Tussel Company wanted to partner with the county asking for over \$400,000.00 towards their project. The Executive Committee supported them in principle seeking grants for this project but was not willing to provide funding for it.

The committee asked that Ben Wood, Corporation Counsel and Chair Keeney draft a support resolution or letter that the County would not allocate any funds for the project but did support it. John Beinborn, seconded by Porter Wagner, made a motion to authorize Ben Wood, Corporation Counsel and Chair Robert Keeney to draft a letter of support to any company interested in applying for broadband funding. Motion carried.

Adjournment: Roger Guthrie, seconded by Mark Stead, made a motion to adjourn the meeting pursuant to the next meeting on December 15, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. Chair Keeney hoped it could be held in the Administration Building in the County Board Meeting Room. Motion carried.

**Grant County Board of Supervisors  
December 15, 2020**

The Grant County Board of Supervisors met on Tuesday, December 15, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. in the Administration Building, 111 South Jefferson Street, Lancaster, WI 53813 Second Floor, Room 264 pursuant to the adjournment of the November 10, 2020 meeting.

While meetings of the Grant County Board of Supervisors are considered an “Essential Government Operation” pursuant to the State’s Safer at Home Order, the meeting will be offered with the option to participate via Zoom meeting. Live participation in this meeting will be limited to Grant County Board Supervisors, County Clerk, and Corporation Counsel. Social distancing and other safety precautions associated with COVID-19 protocol will be followed.

Topic: County Board of Supervisors

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Consideration will be given and/or action taken on any or all of the following items:

Robert Keeney, County Board Chair called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Verification of compliance with the open meeting law was a notice in the Herald Independent stating the date, time and place of the County Board Meeting and posted in two public posting locations and the county website verified by Linda K. Gebhard, County Clerk.

Roll Call, December 15, 2020

	Present	Absent	Excused
Carol Beals (ZOOM)	X		
John Beinborn (ZOOM)	X		
Gregory Fry (ZOOM)	X		
Roger Guthrie	X		
Dale Hood	X		

	Present	Absent	Excused
Lester Jantzen	X		
Robert Keeney	X		
Mike Lieurance	X		
Dwight Nelson (ZOOM)	X		
Gary Northouse (ZOOM)	X		
John Patcle	X		
Gary Ranum	X		
Robert Scallon	X		
Patrick Schroeder	X		
Donald Splinter	X		
Mark Stead	X		
Porter Wagner	X		

Roll Call was taken resulting in 12 present in the room and 5 participating on ZOOM. Therefore, a quorum was present.

The following identified participants were recognized joining the meeting via ZOOM:

Ben Wood, Corporation Counsel, present, Garry Pluemer, Maintenance, Dave Lambert, Highway Commissioner, Carol Schwartz, Orchard Manor, Fred Naatz, Social Services, Amy Olson, Fair, Carrie Eastlick, Treasurer, Jeff Kindrai, Health Director, Lynda Schweikert, Conservation, Sanitation, Zoning, Amanda Degenhardt, Finance Director, Tonya White, Emergency Management, Shane Drinkwater, IT present, Tina McDonald, Clerk of Court, Doug Wagan, media, Linda K. Gebhard, County Clerk present, Steve Braun, Emergency Management, Dave Timmerman, Joyce Roling, Personnel, Carrie Kerstiens, Mayor David Varnam, Justin Johnson, Jim O'Brien

Agenda: Lester Jantzen, seconded by Patrick Schroeder, made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Minutes: Mark Stead, seconded by Gary Ranum, made a motion to approve the minutes of November 10, 2020 as presented. Motion carried.

Communication: Chair Keeney distributed the following letter which was sent to Hilbert Communications, LLC. Green Bay, WI.

November 11, 2020

Hilbert Communications LLC  
417 Pine Street  
Green Bay, WI 54301

To Whom It May Concern:

The Grant County Board of Supervisors wishes to promote the development of high speed broadband services to unserved and underserved areas within its boundaries. We are pleased to support the Hilbert Communications, LLC application to the State of Wisconsin Broadband Grant for the purpose of expansion of such services in our communities.

The lack of high speed internet is one of the key challenges for many Grant County homes and businesses creating a significant impediment to the quality of life and prosperity in our community. During these challenging times nearly every aspect of rural living suffers without adequate Internet



service. Our schools implement technology that in many cases can't be utilized at home due to lack of connectivity thereby putting students at a disadvantage. Our agricultural producers need adequate broadband technology on the farm to monitor productivity, control equipment, interact with local, state and federal officials, and to market their product effectively. Governmental operations suffer as well while limiting entry into our facilities and meetings creating challenges for the public to receive the services they deserve and the ability to participate in meetings to follow governmental actions and to share their opinions.

Grant County understands that cooperation with private-sector partners is necessary for the development of a county-wide broadband network. We understand the complexity of such a partnership to build an open access fiber optic backbone to facilitate the provision of such service, therefore, may be willing to negotiate a possible partnership to complete the project in a timely cost effective manner.

We are in full support of the efforts of Bug Tussel Wireless to help our community grow and prosper via today's modern technology and support their application to the State of Wisconsin Broadband Expansion Grant Program.

Sincerely,  
Robert C. Keeney

Dave Timmerman, Editor of the Herald Independent was given time to speak about the seriousness of the COVID19 Pandemic. The Herald Independent lost one of their employees of many years; Phillip Muench to COVID19. Dave stated his disbelief regarding the Pandemic; no one would have thought this would take so many lives and cause so much trouble in our lives. Dave asked that all of us keep vigilant in wearing masks and social distancing. We are in a critical time right now with the holidays coming. This pandemic is not going away in the near future so we need to join together and keep going forward. He stated the County Board has a chance to be leaders, many people look up to them because they are in a position of authority. The County has taken some precautions as we have worked through this Pandemic; Dave's hope is that the County continues to keep sending out that message. A Pandemic like this has never happened in our life time, this is a first for many of us. He thinks we still have the feeling something like this will never happen to us, we live in a rural area not a big city, but it has. We cannot downplay this virus, returning to normal is not going to fix this. Isolation has been a negative effect; this has caused loneliness, people not going to the doctor for annual checkups because they are afraid of getting out. We need to come up with other alternatives to fight those negative practices. He has seen good things come out of the time also, farmers, processing plants, restaurants and businesses giving food away when there was no place to take the surplus. Dave encourages all to work together so sometime in the future we will see an end to this Pandemic.

Employee Recognition(s): None

Appointment(s): Don Splinter, seconded by John Patcle, made a motion to re-appoint Dave Lambert to another two year term, 01/01/2021 to 12/31/2022 as the Grant County Highway Commissioner. Motion carried.

Chair Keeney informed the Board Dave Lambert has notified the County that he will be retiring in April 2021. The job for Highway Commissioner has been posted.

Chair Keeney asked for approval to appoint Gary Kjos from the City of Boscobel to service as a citizen member on the ADRC Board.

A motion was made by Patrick Schroeder, seconded by Robert Scallon, to appoint Gary Kjos as a citizen member on the ADRC Board. Motion carried.

Grants: None

COVID-19 Update, discussion, and possible action: Jeff Kindrai, Health Director thanks Dave Timmerman for his positive reinforcement comments regarding COVID19.

Jeff gave the update on the numbers in the COVID19 Pandemic. As of this date there have been 3,886 confirmed cases reported, 406 probable cases, 73 deaths, 4 probably deaths, 3,539 recovered cases. Within the last 14 days that have been 353 confirmed cases reported, (25 cases per day) and 158 probable cases. The number of people getting tested at the sites is down from what it was but there are more positive results than before. Our State activity level is ranked very high, which is down from critical. The hospitals are better, hospital beds are 82% full with about 22% of the ICU bed capacity being used. Locally 81% beds are full, 30% of the ICU bed capacity being used.

Jeff gave the age breakdowns as follows:

	48%	50 or older
	17%	18 and under
Probable	34%	50 or older
Probable	16%	18 and under
	19%	Under 20
	14%	Age 20
	9%	Age 30
	10%	Age 40
	16%	Age 50
	16%	Age 60
	16%	Age 70 and over

Yesterday there were 2 COVID deaths reported. Of the confirmed reported cases in the past few days, 33% had a Platteville address and 27% probable cases.

Jeff touched on the COVID Vaccine situation. Pfizer has sent out a vaccine to the Health Care facilities in Wisconsin, however local health care facilities may not see any of that for a couple weeks yet. The Pfizer vaccine is hard to ship having very strict temperature requirements and having to be used within 5 days of being shipped. The Moderna vaccine is much easier to ship to rural areas and can be stored for 30 days under refrigeration or in a freezer for up to 6 months. Jeff stated it is more likely that rural areas will receive the Moderna vaccine; the two vaccines cannot be interchanged because they are a multiple dose series and cannot be mixed. The Moderna vaccine will be in its final stages of being approved on Thursday of this week; once approved it can then start being shipped.

The Grant County Health Department did register to be vaccinators. Once they receive the vaccine they will make sure the eligible recipients for the vaccine are contacted and given the opportunity to receive it. There are no rules in place, or mandates in taking the vaccine. Employers may try to mandate their employees take the vaccine but the legality of this has not been established.

The Health Department is waiting to hear on the funding they were to receive. They had anticipated receiving \$300,000.00 plus from the ELC funding from January 1, 2021 until November of 2022. The State notified them because of uncertainty on the Federal level and some other factors, those funds have been put on hold. They may opt to do smaller allocations starting at a base of \$50,000.00 through June of 2021. Jeff stated the funding was going to be used for contact tracing; without those funds the

process will be very difficult to do. All the other fund allocations will end on December 31, 2020. Jeff's hope is that as the Federal Government work through these allocations they will see the importance of these funds for Health Care Services and there will be flexibility in future funding.

Some questions were if you have had COVID are you eligible to receive the vaccine. Jeff stated Health Care worker who have direct contact with patients and Nursing Home workers will be the first to receive the vaccine. Jeff stated people who have had COVID may be delayed in getting the vaccine so the higher risk people can receive it first, but they do qualify to receive the vaccine.

Jeff stated the National Guard has extended their testing out through March of 2021. Steve Braun, Emergency Management has taken on this job to coordinate these testing sites.

CARES Funding-Routes to Recovery Projects: Chair Keeney stated, at this time, there are no further projects for COVID the Board would need to approve. Amanda Degenhardt, Finance Director, to date, has applied for \$1,141,211.01. Grant County was allocated \$860,902.00, Village of Mt Hope and Town of Hickory Grove applied their unused portions to the County for a total of \$866,985.70. The State of Wisconsin used an algorithm to compute what will be allowed and what won't, the County does have some questions; this is where we are now. This leaves about \$274,000.00 that was not funded in the amounts that were applied for. There are other sources of funding like FEMA which the County can apply for; they are researching the sources to see what is available in those sources. The two areas that did not get full funding at this point are some IT equipment and an Orchard Manor project.

Discussion and possible action to rescind the motion to approve the bid submitted by Mary Krueger for the property known as 210 S. Bagley Ave, Bagley, WI Parcel 106-00067-0000 – Carrie Eastlick, Treasurer was contacted by Wisconsin Surplus stating the bid made by Mary Krueger was found to be illegal and cannot be accepted to purchase the parcel of land in the Village of Bagley. The motion made at the December County Board Meeting approving the sale of this parcel to her will have to be rescinded.

Porter Wagner, seconded by Patrick Schroeder, made a motion to rescind their motion made at the December County Board Meeting approving the sale of parcel 106-00067-0000 to Mary Krueger. Motion carried.

Sale of tax deed parcel #106-00067-0000 Village of Bagley, Carrie Eastlick, Treasurer presented the bidding information for the same parcel of land 106-00067-0000 to Matthew O'Brien for \$21,650.00 for approval.

A motion was made by Roger Guthrie, seconded by Porter Wagner to accept the offer from Matthew O'Brien for parcel 106-00067-0000, 210 Bagley Avenue, Village of Bagley for \$21,650.00. A roll call vote was called for.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

**DATE:** December 15, 2020

**QUESTION:** Approval of bid for Parcel 106-00067-0000

	YES	NO	EXCUSED
1. GARY RANUM	X		
2. GARY NORTHOUSE ZOOM	X		
3. ROBERT SCALLON	X		
4. ROBERT KEENEY	X		
5. ROGER GUTHRIE	X		
6. JOHN PATCLE	X		
7. GREGORY FRY ZOOM	X		

	YES	NO	EXCUSED
8. PATRICK SCHROEDER	X		
9. MIKE LIEURANCE	X		
10. MARK STEAD	X		
11. DALE HOOD	X		
12. DWIGHT NELSON ZOOM	X		
13. CAROL BEALS ZOOM	X		
14. LESTER JANTZEN	X		
15. JOHN BEINBORN ZOOM	X		
16. DONALD SPLINTER	X		
17. PORTER WAGNER	X		

County Clerk took the roll call vote resulting in 12 Present Yes votes and 5 ZOOM Yes votes. Therefore motion carried.

Resolution in Support of Increased County Child Support Funding: Carrie Kerstiens, Child Support Director presented the Resolution to the Board for approval.

A motion was made by Robert Scallon, seconded by Don Splinter, to approve the resolution in support of increased County Child Support Funding. Motion carried.

#### **Resolution #20-20 Resolution in Support of Increased County Child Support Funding**

- WHEREAS:** Grant County administers the Child Support Enforcement Program on behalf of the state, providing services to Grant County residents including paternity establishment, obtaining child support and health insurance orders for children, and enforcing and modifying those orders; and
- WHEREAS:** Our children's well-being, economic security and success in life are enhanced by parents who provide financial and emotional support; and
- WHEREAS:** County child support agencies collected \$935 Million in child support during 2019, and established 98,405 health insurance orders for Wisconsin children: and
- WHEREAS:** Grant County's Child Support Agency provides services to children as well as custodial and non-custodial parents that reduce childhood poverty rates, establish parental rights and promote the involvement of both parents in the lives of their children; and
- WHEREAS:** The economic security and social service programs provided by Grant County Child Support Agency are needed by Wisconsin children and families now more than ever due to the economic downturn caused by Covid-19; and
- WHEREAS:** State funding for county child support services has failed to keep up with county agency cost, which has steadily increased due to growing caseloads, inflation and new federal regulations; and
- WHEREAS:** Wisconsin's Child Support Enforcement Program has fallen from 2<sup>nd</sup> in the nation for collecting current support to 5<sup>th</sup>; and

**WHEREAS:** Wisconsin's decreased performance has led to the state losing out on an estimated \$70,000 in potential federal incentive payments between calendar year 2019 and 2020; and

**WHEREAS:** An abrupt federal interpretation change in June 2019 eliminated \$4.2 million in federal birth cost recovery matching funds for Wisconsin; and

**WHEREAS:** Wisconsin's strong performance in child support is at risk without additional state funding. Further drops in performance would result in additional reductions to federal funding for Wisconsin; and

**WHEREAS:** Decreased federal funding results in less funding for Grant County's child support agency. This could lead to reductions in child support enforcement staff and services and reduced child support collections; and

**WHEREAS:** New state investments in child support are amplified by a generous federal match. Every \$1 of state GPR invested in the Child Support Program generates \$2 in federal matching funds; and

**WHEREAS:** Wisconsin's Child Support Enforcement Program is incredibly cost-effective, collecting an average of \$6.20 in support for every dollar invested in the program.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Grant County Board of Supervisors respectfully requests that state funding for county child support agencies be increased by \$4 million GPR in each fiscal year of the 2021-23 Wisconsin state budget, which will generate approximately \$7.7 million in additional federal funding each year. This investment will ensure that counties can continue to effectively provide economic support to our children.

**IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution be forwarded by the County Clerk to the Governor of the State of Wisconsin, State Senators and State Representatives representing Grant County, the Secretary of the Wisconsin Department of Administration, and the Wisconsin Counties Association for consideration.

Date Signed: December 8, 2020

/s/ Gary Ranum  
/s/ John Patcle  
Mike Lieurance

/s/ Donald Splinter

/s/ Mark Stead  
/s/ Robert Keeney  
Dwight Nelson

**ATTEST:** I Linda K. Gebhard, Grant County Clerk, do certify that Resolution #20-20 stated above was approved by the Grant County Board of Supervisors at a meeting held on December 15, 2020 as presented.

/s/ Linda K. Gebhard, County Clerk

Convene to Public Hearing: A Public Hearing was called to discuss the proposed applications for Community Development Block Grant CDBG CLOSE Program funds. Chair Keeney asked for a motion from the Board.

A motion was made by Mike Lieurance, seconded by Lester Jantzen, to convene to the Public Hearing. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

**County of Grant, Wisconsin  
County Administration Building, 111 S. Jefferson St. Lancaster, Wisconsin  
Tuesday, December 15, 2020  
10:00 a.m..**

*The County of Grant will conduct a public hearing regarding its proposed application for Community Development Block Grant CDBG CLOSE Program funds. The public is invited to attend to learn about the CDBG program, to help identify additional community development needs, and to comment on the activities proposed to be included in the CDBG application.*

*The agenda for the public hearing is:*

- 1. Identification of total potential funds*
- 2. Eligible CDBG activities*
- 3. Presentation of identified community development needs*
- 4. Identification of any community development needs by public*
- 5. Presentation of activities proposed for the two CDBG applications, including potential residential displacement.*
- 6. Use of CDBG CLOSE Funds for the Southwest Opportunity Center Adult Daycare*
- 7. Use of CDBG CLOSE Funds for the Mining & Rollo Jamison Museum*
- 8. Citizen input regarding proposed and other CDBG activities*

*Residents of Grant County are encouraged to attend, especially residents with low to moderate incomes.*

*The meeting room is handicapped accessible.*

*Persons needing additional accommodations should contact Linda Gebhard at telephone number 608-723-2675 (TDD: 608-723-2675) or email: [lgebhard@co.grant.wi.gov](mailto:lgebhard@co.grant.wi.gov).*

Ron Brisbois, Economic Development took over the discussion explaining what is needed as the CDBG Program is closed out and a short history of why the program had been established back in 1996. The entities that this Block Grant funding program was meant to help were: public facilities, rehabilitation, home buying, infer structure, jobs for low and moderate citizens, special needs, senior citizens, housing, small business loans or grants.

The main item which needs to be addressed at this public hearing is the approval of a two resolutions which need to be submitted to apply for the funds that are left in the CDBG program by January 31, 2021. Ron stated at this time there is \$529,000.00 cash on hand in the Revolving Loan Program that will have to be sent back to the Department of Administration if it is not used. There is approximately \$459,500.00 of outstanding principle out in loans that are being paid back; once payments are received

that money will be sent back. The two recipients who were chosen to receive the CBDG Block Grant Funds are Southwest Opportunity Center Adult Daycare for \$138,667.00 and Reroofing of the Mining & Rollo Jamison Museum for \$331,430.00 for a total of \$470,097.00. Ron's goal is to have both of these paid in full with the cash on hand left in the program. He has added in the administration costs, prevailing wages for the contractors and inflation, and inflated the cost for construction materials needed, the set up costs have been included in the loan amounts.

Chair Keeney asked about the document that needs to be signed by the County Board Chair on responsibility to pay these loans back if they default. Ron stated the State has held the position that as long as the County has done their due diligence through the court system to try and get these loans paid back if they go into default, the County will have no obligation to the Federal Government to pay them back. Ron stated at this time there is only one loan out now that has not been keeping up the payments, the County has tried to recoup the money through the courts, so the State will sign off on this not holding the County liable. Ron is confident that this is the case with the Department of Administration; but then not 100% certain.

Ron reiterated, at this time he needs approval for the two resolutions for the Block Grant funds to the two recipients. He does have three other items that need to be addressed but the County can address those in the January 2021 County Board Meeting.

The three items are as follows:

1. Some work changing as to be done to the Citizen Participating Plan for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program
2. Resolution to Adopt the Policy to prohibit the use of Excessive Force and the Barring of Entrances/Exits for Non-Violent Civil rights Demonstrations, Ron would like the input of Sheriff Dreckman on this resolution.
3. Residential Anti-Displacement and relocation Assistance Plan. The County may have one of these from prior years; Ron will check on this and report back to the County Board in January.

Gary Ranum stated that the money we are talking about today for the two projects are to use money that is considered Block Grant Funds. There should be not obligation for the County to have to pay back the loans if they default because they are considered grant funds. Ron confirmed that is was correct.

Chair Keeney asked for any more questions, hearing none he closed the Public Hearing to reconvene back to the County Board Meeting.

Discussion possible action on proposed application for Community Development Block Grant CDBG CLOSE Program funds: Mark Stead made a motion, seconded by John Beinborn, for the Grant County Board of Supervisors to authorize two resolutions for the application submission to use the remaining funds in the CDBG Block Grant Funds for Southwest Opportunity Center Adult Daycare in Lancaster and reroofing of the Mining & Rollo Jamison Museum in Platteville. A roll call vote was called for.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

DATE: December 15, 2020

QUESTION: Authorizing the resolutions for Southwest Opportunity Center Adult Daycare and reroofing the Mining & Rollo Jamison Museum.

	YES	NO	EXCUSED
1. GARY RANUM	X		
2. GARY NORTHOUSE ZOOM	X		

	YES	NO	EXCUSED
3. ROBERT SCALLON	X		
4. ROBERT KEENEY	X		
5. ROGER GUTHRIE	X		
6. JOHN PATCLE	X		
7. GREGORY FRY ZOOM	X		
8. PATRICK SCHROEDER	X		
9. MIKE LIEURANCE	X		
10. MARK STEAD	X		
11. DALE HOOD	X		
12. DWIGHT NELSON ZOOM	X		
13. CAROL BEALS ZOOM	X		
14. LESTER JANTZEN	X		
15. JOHN BEINBORN ZOOM	X		
16. DONALD SPLINTER	X		
17. PORTER WAGNER	X		

County Clerk took the roll call vote resulting in 12 Yes Present votes, 5 ZOOM Yes votes. Therefore motion carried.

Progress Report, Discussion & Possible action on Grant County Community Service Facility: Chair Keeney gave some updates on the CSB Facility. The sewer plant has been demolished and buried. They are waiting on the approval from DNR to bury the rubble from the 52 Building. There was some lead paint found, that will have to be separated out and the rest can be buried. DNR has 90 days to let the County know if it can be buried on site.

Chair Keeney has had conversation with Brad Bierman, EPIC on closing out the project for the CSB Building. There are some small items that need to be addressed so there will be no further action taken today.

There is a crack in the floor near the bathrooms in the CSB Building. All entities have been notified, Garry Pluemer reported, it is just to find a time when all of them can meet.

Comprehensive Plan Change: None

Zoning Amendment: Justin Johnson presented the 572<sup>nd</sup> Zoning Amendment to the Board for approval. The amendment has been approved by the Township Board and Conservation, Sanitation, Zoning Committee.

A motion was made by Porter Wagner, seconded by Lester Jantzen, to approve the 572<sup>nd</sup> Zoning Amendment including Petition 20-21 Scott Haverland, Town of Potosi. Motion carried.

**572<sup>nd</sup> AMENDMENT TO THE  
GRANT COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE  
December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

**WHEREAS**, a petition for map amendment was filed and a public hearing was held by the Grant County Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning Committee, meeting the requirements of Chapter 59.69 (5) (e) 2.



**WHEREAS**, a proof of publication and giving notice to each affected township clerk of such hearing is attached to this document. Chapter 59.69 (5) (e) 4

**WHEREAS**, the Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning Committee now recommends to the Board of Supervisors of Grant County the adoption of the following map amendments.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Grant County Board of Supervisors does ordain as follows. That the Zoning District Map for Grant County will be amended to reflect the following:

**PETITION #20-21:** Rezone request for Scott Haverland, PIN: 052-01156-0000, to change the zoning classification from Farmland Preservation to Agricultural-2, to allow for the use of a nonfarm residence & shed. This is for +/- 10.0 ac located in the SW ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 13, T2N, R3W, in Potosi Township

Adopted by the Grant County Board of Supervisors this 15<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2020

/s/ Robert Keeney, County Board Chairman      **Attest:** /s/ Linda Gebhard, County Clerk

Dog Claim(s): Patrick Schroeder, seconded by Mike Lieurance, made a motion to approve paying \$155.00 to the Grant County Humane Society for one dog claim submitted contingent on the final approval of the Ag and Extension Committee. Motion carried.

Discussion and possible action to decrease the County Board per diem effective April 20, 2022: This item was initiated by a discussion held at the November County Board Meeting. The County struggled to balance the 2021 Budget so it was suggested the County Board take a cut in their pay to show that they were doing their part also.

John Beinborn stated he would like to see the per diem stay the same.

Don Splinter stated he feels the per diems have gone down already because of ZOOM Meetings; this action would not take place until 2022 so he feels it is unnecessary to action now.

Gary Ranum shared a graph that the Board has been working for a long time to bring down the administrative cost of the County Board. Committees have been combined to cut down on the number of committee meetings. This has caused the work load of those committees to go up. More evaluations are being done now. Using the graph information over a period from 2014 to 2020 employees have had a 12% increase in wages. If you look at what the county is spending to operate, over the same time period there has been a 36% decrease in operation costs of the County Board. He feels the County Board is doing a good job and Chair Keeney has done a good job to try to decrease the costs. He feels it should stay the same.

Patrick Schroeder stated his thought was the decrease would be for this year voluntarily. There were a lot of people who stepped up to the plate to balance the budget. Porter and he felt it should be everyone who should help in balancing the budget not just left up to a few departments and the County Board Members should lead by example. Pat stated the 2022 Budget will be even more challenging and everyone is going to have to chip in.

Carol Beals suggested taking no mileage would help. Porter Wagner stated some of the Board Members don't put in for their mileage already. Carol Beals stated some of the Board Members haven't put in for their per diems either for a few months.

No action was taken on this issue, it was decided to wait until closer to the County Board Election in April of 2022 and then address it prior to the election.

Committee Reports:

Health Committee-Carol Beals: The meeting will be held tonight; last week's meeting was postponed because of internet issues. At last month's meeting, they discussed the 2021 budget, had a COVID update, and approved the Child Safety Seat grant application.

Administrative Committee—Robert Keeney: The committee discussed the storage facility the County would like to build on the 52 Building site. The framing is done on third floor in the Administration Building; some of the electrical is done. The County will be scheduling a Strategic Planning Meeting to discuss the next 5 year plan for the County and the plan for the Administration Building once IT and Maintenance moves up on third floor.

Unified Community Services-Gary Ranum: COVID was discussed in how it has impacted the Country's mental health, including increased use of narcotics, alcohol and increasing amounts of depression. Seven staff members from Unified had to be quarantined due to COVID. Unified got an extension on their State Opioid Response Grant for over \$700,000.00, which can now be used for both Opioids and also stimulants.

Executive Committee-Gary Ranum: For the next meeting they are hoping to look into the long hours of some of the Senior Employees who have been working very long hours through this Pandemic. They will be looking at the mental health and morale issues associated with that to see if in those special situations there would be any kind of relief that the County could offer, they don't know what that would be, but it is up for discussion.

Economic Development-John Beinborn: It was discussed to move the Economic Development Offices from Southwest Technical College to the Administration Building once the IT Department has moved.

Orchard Manor-Don Splinter: Orchard Manor still struggles to get enough workers needed but seem to be getting the COVID situation under control.

Fair-Patrick Schroeder: At the January meeting they will be discussing the morale of people, and will be discussing the 2021 Fair. They are hoping to have a Fair but safety will come first

Veterans Service-Lester Jantzen: Veterans Officer are very busy, since the doors in the Administration Building were opened this has made it a lot easier for them to deal with their customers.

Chair Keeney told the Board after the meeting they would run a short video from WCA, they sent their Christmas Greetings to the Board.

The Grant County Board of Supervisors extended their Thank you and ovation to Linda K. Gebhard congratulating her on her retirement. Linda has worked for Grant County for 30 years, for the past 12 years she has served as Grant County Clerk. Chair Keeney also thanked Marilyn Pierce, Register of Deeds for her 43 years of service to Grant County; she will also be retiring at the end of the year.

Adjournment: Mark Stead seconded by Dwight Nelson made a motion to adjourn the meeting pursuant to the next County Board Meeting on January 19, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. Motion carried.

Grant County Board of Supervisors  
January 19, 2021  
Administration Building  
111 S. Jefferson St. Room 264  
Lancaster, WI 53813

The Grant County Board of Supervisors meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chairman Robert Keeney. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Chairman Keeney asked the County Clerk, Tonya White to verify that the meeting was held in compliance with open meeting law. White said the meeting was posted at the Grant County Courthouse, Grant County Administration Building and on the county website.

Roll call was taken with thirteen (13) members present in the room: Roger Guthrie, Dale Hood, Lester Jantzen, Robert Keeney, Mike Lieurance, Gary Northouse, John Patcle, Gary Ranum, Robert Scallon, Patrick Schroeder, Donald Splinter, Mark Stead and Porter Wagner. Present virtually four (4) members: Carol Beals, John Beinborn, Greg Fry and Dwight Nelson.

Others present in the room: Ben Wood, Corporation Council; Andrea Noethe, Register of Deeds; Ron Brisbois, Economic Development; Shane Drinkwater, IT; and Tonya White, County Clerk.

Others present virtually: Justin Johnson, CSZD; CeCe Fishnick, Social Services; Jane Whitish, Doug Wagen, Amanda Degenhardt, Finance; Carrie Eastlick, Treasurer; Mary Mezera, Carol Schwartz, Orchard Manor; Nate Dreckman, Sheriff's Office; Bennett Goldstein, Telegraph Herald; Fred Naatz, Social Services; Steve Braun, Emergency Management; Garry Pluemer, Maintenance; Lynda Schweikert, CSZD; Jeff Kindrai, Health Department; Brandon Behlke, Tina McDonald, Clerk of Court; Lori Reid, ADRC; Jack Johnson, Sheriff's Office; Amy Olson, Fairgrounds; Carrie Kersteins, Child Support; Eileen Nickels, Barb Daus, Joyce Roling, Personnel; Chris Johll, Sheriff's Office; Dave Swanson, Terry Brennan, RACOM; Sam Fleege, RACOM; Tanner Metz, RACOM; Ken Fleege, RACOM; and David Timmerman, Herald Independent.

Agenda: Chairman Keeney asked the board for approval of the agenda and asked the board to consider moving the zoning item up to follow the resolutions. Porter Wagner, second by Robert Scallon made a motion to approve the agenda with the zoning item move. Motion carried by voice vote.

Minutes: Mark Stead, second by Pat Schroeder made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 15, 2020 meeting with two minor changes to page five. Motion carried by voice vote.

Communications: Chairman Keeney welcomed the newly elected officials. Carrie Eastlick was elected for her first official full term of Treasurer; Tonya White has been elected as County Clerk and Andrea Noethe as Register of Deeds.

Chairman Keeney advised the board that the County Clerk has shared an idea of an electronic calendar for the County Board Room and Room 264. Tonya is willing to take over the calendar so that meetings can be scheduled in Outlook like is done at CSB.

Employee Recognition: Chairman Keeney recognized Jane Whitish for her 36 years of service to Social Services.

Appointments: None

Grants: Chairman Keeney presented for approval for WLIP Grant (Wisconsin Land Information Program Grant). There are three sections for the grant; Training and Educations Section, Strategic Initiative

Section and Base Budget Grant. Greg Fry, second by Mike Lieurance made a motion to approve the application for WLIP Grant. Motion carried by voice vote.

Ratify Proclamation #12 COVID Allowable Leave: Joyce Roling, Personnel Director explained that the COVID allowable leave proclamation is based off of what was in place prior to the expiration of the previous FFCRA rules. Grant County is allowing employees to have the time off for COVID related quarantine. Grant County will not contribute the additional 80 hours of paid time. Employees will have to use paid time off. Gary Ranum, second by Dwight Nelson made a motion to approve the proclamation. Motion carried by voice vote.

COVID-19 Update, Discussion and Possible Action: Jeff Kindrai, Health Department Director gave an update on COVID-19. As of this date there have been 4,379 confirmed cases, 568 probable cases, 78 deaths and 4,154 recovered. The Health Department is investigating five possible reinfection cases. In the last fourteen days about 12% of the cases are 18 and younger, 41% are 50 and older. University of Wisconsin – Platteville will no longer be testing after January 22, 2021. Grant County will continue testing on Tuesdays at the Fairground in Lancaster and Fridays at the Armory in Platteville.

Cares Funding – Routes to Recovery Projects: The projects continue to move forward. IT is continuing to work hard on all of the projects. Garry Pluemer, Maintenance, said the third floor is almost all sheet rocked.

Resolution Supporting Increased Funding for Aging and Disability Resource Center: Mary Mezera, Regional Manager ADRC of Southwest Wisconsin, presented the resolution to the Board. Greg Fry, second by Dale Hood made a motion to approve the resolution. Motion carried by voice vote.

Resolution In Support Of Increased State Funding For More Equitable Return of Utility Tax Collections To Counties And Municipalities: Chairman Keeney presented the resolution to the Board. Pat Schroeder, second by Mark Stead made a motion to approve the resolution. Motion carried by voice vote.

Zoning Amendment: Justin Johnson presented the 573<sup>rd</sup> Zoning Amendment filed by Linda Dressler in Paris Township to the Board. Porter Wagner, second by Lester Jantzen made a motion to approve the resolution. Motion carried by voice vote.

Convene to Public Hearing: Chairman Keeney asked for a motion from the Board to convene to public hearing. Don Splinter, second by Gary Ranum made a motion to convene to the Public Hearing. Motion carried by voice vote.

Ron Brisbois, Grant County Economic Development Director, took over the discussion for the CDBG-CV (Community Development Block Grant-COVID). The application was submitted in December with the intent of assisting small businesses that have been impacted by COVID. The allocation will be for 40 business grants totaling up to \$5000 per business. Businesses that will be eligible will have less than five employees and the wages of the owner shall not exceed \$39,700. There may be an adjustment on the amount by HUD. The application has to be submitted by February 26, 2021 with awards announced on or before March 26, 2021. Ron will work with the area Chamber of Commerce, economic development and municipal clerks. An intent to apply application has been submitted and approved to start the application process.

Chairman Keeney asked for any questions, hearing none he asked for a motion to close the Public Hearing to reconvene back to the County Board meeting. John Patcle, second by Mark Stead made a motion to reconvene as the County Board. Motion carried by voice vote.

Discussion and Possible Action on Proposed Application for CDBG CLOSE Program Funds: Ron Brisbois explained that these items are required of the application for the CDBG Close program and any other future application the county would put forward. This is required of all municipalities that ever submit a CDBG application to the State of Wisconsin. Two projects have been identified; the re-roofing of the Rollo Jamison Mining Museum and expansion and improvements to Southwest Opportunity Center adult daycare facility.

- a. Citizen Participation Plan for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG): Grant County has one on file but the verbiage needed to be updated. The new plan will bring the plan up to date and address that the County Board of Supervisors be the organization that approve the application. Motion by Roger Guthrie, second by Mark Stead to adopt the Grant County WI Citizen Participation Plan for CDBG. Motion carried by voice vote.
- b. Resolution to Adopt the Policy to Prohibit the use of Excessive Force and the Barring of Entrances/Exits for Non-Violent Civil Rights Demonstrations: This is relatively new and the State has come forward with some standard language. Sheriff Dreckman has reviewed the resolution and it follows the policy that the Sheriff's Office has in place. Motion by Mark Stead, second by Don Splinter to adopt the resolution. Motion carried by voice vote.
- c. Residential Anti-Displacement and Relocation Assistance Plan: This plan has been reviewed and pertains to doing a CDBG housing project. There will be some modifications to the plan. The front page has optional items that have not been considered and will be removed from the plan. On the third page under contacts, the name and phone number of the office of those responsible needs to be filled in. Pat Schroeder made a motion, second by Porter Wagner to adopt the Residential Anti-Displacement and Relocation Assistance Plan inserting the Grant County Board of Supervisors and 608-723-2675 under contacts.

Presentation on Phase 3 Telecommunications Project: Chairman Keeney turned the meeting over to Tanner Metz, Sam Fleege, Ken Fleege and Terry Brennan from RACOM who gave the presentation on phase 3 of the telecommunications project. Phase three consists of countywide five channel simulcast land mobile radio system and paging. Phase three has eleven to thirteen tower sites. RACOM is proposing to give 95% coverage in large towns, midsized towns, smaller towns and 80% coverage in unpopulated areas. The pager coverage for outdoor coverage is 94.5% and outdoor coverage is 85.6%. The paging system would utilize the same infrastructure as the radio system. The project now has added the paging system, an additional channel to be used by all departments, including the highway department and land mobile radio connectivity. There have been significant cost increases since a year ago when RACOM gave a preliminary cost. The benefit of owning tower sites is renting the excess capacity to others looking for site acquisition like FirstNet or cellular companies. The cost of the project presented was \$8,960,732 but does not include the land acquisition or maintenance contract. Roger Guthrie, second by Gary Northouse made a motion to refer the project back to Law Enforcement for further discussion and future action by the county board. Motion carried by voice vote.

Progress Report, Discussion & Possible Action on Grant County Community Services Facility: Chairman Keeney stated that they are still waiting on DNR permission to bury the 52 Building.

Workplace Bullying Policy: Joyce Roling, Personnel Director explained this policy will expand the statement on workplace violence. It will be placed in the Employee Handbook and defines bullying and gives examples. Gary Ranum, second by Greg Fry made a motion to approve the Workplace Bullying Policy. Motion carried by voice vote.

Dog Claim(s) Grant County Humane Society: Pat Schroeder presented the dog claims for the month. Pat also stated that if we do not have the claims within 30 days, with Corporation Council approval, the claims could be denied. Pat Schroeder, second by Mike Lieurance made a motion to approve the dog claims in the amount of \$1240.00. Motion carried by voice vote.

Committee Reports: Roger Guthrie, second by Lester Jantzen made a motion to forgo the committee reports due to the length of the meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

Chairman Keeney did advise the board that the Administrative Committee is moving forward with a Strategic Plan. James Schneider will be sending out a survey within the next week. Chairman Keeney asked that everyone look at the 2009 and 2014 Strategic Plans so there are ideas for the direction of the plan.

Adjournment: Robert Scallon, second by Mark Stead made a motion to adjourn the meeting pursuant to the next County Board Meeting on February 16, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. Motion carried by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 12:26 p.m.

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Grant County Board of Supervisors  
February 16, 2021  
Administration Building  
111 S. Jefferson St. Room 264  
Lancaster, WI 53813

The Grant County Board of Supervisors meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chairman Robert Keeney. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Chairman Keeney asked the County Clerk, Tonya White to verify that the meeting was held in compliance with open meeting law. White verified the meeting was posted at the Grant County Courthouse, Grant County Administration Building and on the county website.

Roll call was taken with twelve (12) members present in the room: Roger Guthrie, Dale Hood, Lester Jantzen, Robert Keeney, Mike Lieurance, John Patcle, Gary Ranum, Robert Scallon, Patrick Schroeder, Donald Splinter, Mark Stead and Porter Wagner. Present virtually five (5) members: Carol Beals, John Beinborn, Greg Fry, Gary Northouse and Dwight Nelson.

Others present in the room: Ben Wood, Corporation Council; Shane Drinkwater, IT; Tonya White, County Clerk; Joyce Roling, Personnel; Ron Brisbois, Economic Development; James Schneider, Community Development Educator; Linda Gebhard, Loren Gebhard and Verda Nemo.

Others present virtually: Senator Howard Marklein, Tina McDonald, Clerk of Court; Ann Jenkins, Sue Marks, Representative Travis Tranel, David Timmerman, Grant County Herald Independent; Doug Wagen, Garry Pluemer, Maintenance; CeCe Fishnick, Social Services; Fred Naatz, Social Services; Amanda Degenhardt, Finance; Andrea Noethe, Register of Deeds; Amy Olson, Fair; Carol Schwartz, Orchard Manor; Lori Reid, ADRC; Carrie Eastlick, Treasurer; Carrie Kerstiens, Child Support; Jeff Kindrai, Health Department; Dave Lambert, Highway Department; Jon Knautz, Highway Department and Bennett Goldstein, Telegraph Herald.

Agenda: Chairman Keeney asked the board for approval of the amended agenda. Lester Jantzen, second by Don Splinter made a motion to approve the amended agenda as printed. Motion carried by voice vote.

Minutes: Porter Wagner, second by Mark Stead made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 19, 2021 meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

Communications: Chairman Keeney shared information regarding the Grant County Solar Project. The closing date for comments to PSC is February 17, 2021.

Chairman Keeney advised the board that the census has been delayed. Census numbers may be delayed as long as September which could affect redistricting for next year.

Memorium for Leon "Grant" Loy: Chairman Keeney read the Resolution for Grant Loy.

**RESOLUTION #01-21  
IN MEMORIAM OF Grant Loy**

The Grant County Board of Supervisors, assembled this 16<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2021 issues the following commemoration:

**WHEREAS**, the death of Grant Loy from the Town of Clifton, Grant County, Wisconsin has come to the attention of this body; and

**WHEREAS**, Grant Loy served on the Grant County Board of Supervisors from April 2008 to April 2018 representing the Town of Castle Rock, Town of Hickory Grove, Town of Wingville, Village of Montfort, Town of Fennimore Ward 2, Town of Clifton and the Village of Livingston; and

**WHEREAS**, his many friends and acquaintances will long cherish in memory his willingness to serve through public office and to assist in the interest and welfare of Grant County.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Grant County Board of Supervisors commends the life and public service of Grant Loy and that this memorial be set forth at length upon the minutes of the meeting and that a copy, properly attested by the signature of the Chairperson and the Clerk, be sent to the family.

/s/ Robert C. Keeney, County Board Chairman

/s/ Tonya White, Grant County Clerk

Mark Stead, second by Pat Schroeder made a motion to approve the resolution in Memoriam of Grant Loy. Motion carried by voice vote.

Employee Recognition: Chairman Keeney recognized Michele Fishnick for her 34 years of service to Social Services.

Chairman Keeney recognized Linda Gebhard for her 31 years of service to County Clerk's Office and Health Department. Chairman Keeney then turned the meeting over the Senator Marklein and Representative Tranel for the presentation of the citation from the State of Wisconsin. Representative Tranel read the citation.

Chairman Keeney recognized Marilyn Pierce for her 44 years of service to Register of Deeds. Senator Marklein and Representative Tranel read the citation from the State of Wisconsin.

Appointments: None

Grants: Lynda Schweikert was unable to join the meeting, so the grant will be placed on the March agenda for approval.

COVID-19 Update, Discussion and Possible Action: Jeff Kindrai, Health Department Director gave an update on COVID-19. As of this date there have been 4,628 confirmed cases, 683 probable cases, 79 deaths and 4,471 recovered. The Health Department has an active caseload of about one percent. They are averaging six to seven cases a day. Grant County is still at a high level according to the State of Wisconsin. With vaccinations, 17.2% of Grant County residents have received at least a first dose. 69.1% of Grant County residents 65 and older have been vaccinated, which is higher than the state average. This week many providers did not receive any first dose vaccines. February 26, 2021 Johnson & Johnson will proceed for emergency use authorization for a one dose series. Testing continues on Tuesday's and Friday's each week. The hours for the testing sites have been scaled back.

Discussion and Action on Authorizing Resolution to Submit a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-CV) Application: Don Splinter, second by Porter Wagner made a motion to approve the Authorizing Resolution to Submit a Community Development Block Grant Application. Motion carried by voice vote.

Progress Report, Discussion & Possible action on Grant County Community Services Building: The DNR has granted a conditional low hazard grant exemption to bury the 52 building with recommendations to



sort out the lead base paint of a certain color. The wastewater treatment plant has been demolished. Wiederholt Enterprises has sent invoices for both demolitions. Wiederholt will be reissuing an invoice to Orchard Manor in the amount of \$21,898.13 for the demolition of the sewer plant. That invoice will be paid out of the sewer replacement fund. Brad Bierman is hopeful to submit the rest of the Wiederholt invoice as part of the change order to the 52 building and to close out the CSB project in April.

Strategic Plan Presentation, Discussion, and Possible Action: Chairman Keeney turned the meeting over to James Schneider who gave a presentation on an outline of what is a strategic plan. James recommended the creation of an Ad Hoc Committee consisting of four to six people to work with him and Joyce Roling. Pat Schroeder, second by Roger Guthrie made a motion to create an Ad Hoc Committee of six individuals to work with James Schneider on the Strategic Plan. Motion carried by voice vote. Pat Schroeder, second by John Patcle made a motion to appoint to the Ad Hoc Strategic Plan Committee Gary Ranum, Roger Guthrie, Mark Stead, Porter Wagner, Shane Drinkwater and Tonya White to work with James and Joyce on a Strategic Plan for Grant County. Motion carried by voice vote, with one negative vote.

Comprehensive Plan Change: None

Zoning Amendment: None

Dog Claim(s) Grant County Humane Society: Pat Schroeder, second by Mike Lieurance made a motion to approve the three outstanding invoices to Grant County Humane Society in the total of \$465. Motion carried by voice vote.

Committee Reports:

Pat Schroeder gave an update on the Fair Committee.

Bob Scallon gave an update on Hidden Valley.

Gary Ranum gave an update on the railroad, CJCC and Unified Community Services.

Carol Beals gave an update on the Board of Health and Southwest Cap.

Lester Jantzen gave an update on the Veteran's Committee.

Don Splinter gave an update on Orchard Manor/Farm Committee and the Highway Committee.

Mark Stead gave an update on Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning.

John Beinborn gave an update on Social Services Committee and Economic Development.

Adjournment: Mark Stead, second by Lester Jantzen made a motion to adjourn the meeting pursuant to the next County Board meeting on March 16, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. Motion carried by voice vote.

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Grant County Board of Supervisors  
March 16, 2021  
Administration Building  
111 S. Jefferson St. Room 264  
Lancaster, WI 53813

The Grant County Board of Supervisors meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chairman Robert Keeney. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Chairman Keeney asked the County Clerk, Tonya White to verify that the meeting was held in compliance with open meeting law. White verified the meeting was posted at the Grant County Courthouse, Grant County Administration Building and on the county website.

Roll Call was taken with fourteen (14) members present in the room: Roger Guthrie, Dale Hood, Lester Jantzen, Robert Keeney, Mike Lieurance, Dwight Nelson, Gary Northouse, John Patcle, Gary Ranum, Robert Scallon, Pat Schroeder, Donald Splinter, Mark Stead and Porter Wagner. Present virtually three (3) members: Carol Beals, John Beinborn and Greg Fry.

Others present in the room: Ben Wood Corporation Council; Tonya White, County Clerk; Shane Drinkwater, IT; Joyce Roling, Personnel; Nate Dreckman, Sheriff's Office and Garry Pluemer, Maintenance.

Others present virtually: Carrie Kerstiens, Child Support; Tina McDonald, Clerk of Court; Lynda Schweikert, CSZD; Justin Johnson, CSZD; Steve Braun, Emergency Management; Amy Olson, Fair; Amanda Degenhardt, Finance; Jeff Kindrai, Health Department; Carol Schwartz, Orchard Manor; Jody Bartels, Register in Probate; Andrea Noethe, Register of Deeds; Jack Johnson, Sheriff's Office; Carrie Eastlick, Treasurer; David Timmerman, Herald Independent; Doug Wagen, media, Tim Hundt, Congressional Aide for Representative Ron Kind; Rose Kelley, David Helmke and Brandon Behlke, Galena Gazette.

Agenda: Chairman Keeney asked the board for approval of the agenda. Bob Scallon, second by Don Splinter made a motion to approve the agenda as printed. Motion carried by voice vote.

Minutes: Mark Stead, second by Dwight Nelson made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 16, 2021 with three minor changes. Motion carried by voice vote.

Communications: The family of Grant Loy put together a collage to present to the Board.

The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 was approved by the federal government. There are multiple areas of funding that will be available for county government.

Chairman Keeney wished John Patcle a happy birthday.

Employee Recognitions: None

Appointments: None

Grants: Lynda Schweikert presented the National Water Quality Initiative Grant available through NRCS. The grant is for \$50,000 with an in-kind match of \$16,667 to develop a Water Shed Plan for the Sinsinawa River. Pat Schroeder, second by Porter Wager made a motion to approve the grant application for the National Water Quality Initiative. Motion carried by voice vote.

Amy Olson presented the Compeer Financial Grant. The \$3000 grant is specifically for repairs and maintenance to any existing livestock building or 4-H building on the fairgrounds. The money would be used to purchase ceiling fans for the livestock barn. The Livestock Trust will be matching the grant to make it a total of \$6000. Mark Stead, second by Porter Wagner made a motion to approve the grant application to Compeer Financial. Motion carried by voice vote.

COVID 19 Update, Discussion and Possible Action: Jeff Kindrai, Health Department gave an update on COVID-19. As of this date there have been 4,717 confirmed cases, 707 probable cases, 4585 recovered cases and 82 deaths. Grant County is still considered in the high level according to the State of Wisconsin. There has been a shift in cases to younger individuals. With vaccinations, 22.9% of individuals have received one dose and 17.2% have completed the series. There has been a slowdown of vaccine coming into Grant County. The next groups the Health Department will be focusing on are individuals in the Medicaid Long Term Care Program and public facing workers.

Resolution Authorizing the County Treasurer to Take the Tax Deed Parcels Which Have Taxes Owing on the 2017 Tax Rolls (2018 Tax Certificates): Carrie Eastlick, County Treasurer presented the resolution to the Board. Mark Stead, second by Gary Ranum made a motion to approve the resolution and allow the County Treasurer to take the tax deeds.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE

QUESTION: Authorizing the County Treasurer to take the tax deed parcels which have taxes owing on the 2017 tax roll (2018 certificates)

	YES	NO	EXCUSED
1. GARY RANUM	X		
2. GARY NORTHOUSE	X		
3. ROBERT SCALLON	X		
4. ROBERT KEENEY	X		
5. ROGER GUTHRIE	X		
6. JOHN PATCLE	X		
7. GREGORY FRY	X		
8. PATRICK SCHROEDER	X		
9. MIKE LIEURANCE	X		
10. MARK STEAD	X		
11. DALE HOOD	X		
12. DWIGHT NELSON	X		
13. CAROL BEALS	X		
14. LESTER JANTZEN	X		
15. JOHN BEINBORN	X		
16. DONALD SPLINTER	X		
17. PORTER WAGNER	X		

County Clerk took the roll call vote resulting in 17 YES votes, therefore motion carried.

Resolution Authorizing Non-Lapsing Amounts at December 31, 2020 and Amending the 2021 Budget: Amanda Degenhardt, Finance Director presented the resolution to the Board. Gary Ranum, second by Don Splinter made a motion to approve the resolution with the provision that the only two amendments are the \$2700 for courthouse security and \$1500 for tourism group.

# ROLL CALL VOTE

QUESTION: Authorizing Non-Lapsing Amounts as December 31, 2020 and Amending the 2021 Budget.

	YES	NO	EXCUSED
1. GARY RANUM	X		
2. GARY NORTHOUSE	X		
3. ROBERT SCALLON	X		
4. ROBERT KEENEY	X		
5. ROGER GUTHRIE	X		
6. JOHN PATCLE	X		
7. GREGORY FRY	X		
8. PATRICK SCHROEDER	X		
9. MIKE LIEURANCE	X		
10. MARK STEAD	X		
11. DALE HOOD	X		
12. DWIGHT NELSON	X		
13. CAROL BEALS	X		
14. LESTER JANTZEN	X		
15. JOHN BEINBORN	X		
16. DONALD SPLINTER	X		
17. PORTER WAGNER	X		

County Clerk took the roll call vote resulting in 17 YES votes, therefore motion carried.

Discussion/Possible Action Budget Amendment for Maintenance Department: Garry Pluemer presented the Board with the reallocation pertaining to the Maintenance budget. John Beinborn, second by Porter Wagner made a motion to approve the change in the Maintenance budget.

# ROLL CALL VOTE

Question: Reallocation pertaining to the Maintenance Department budget.

	YES	NO	EXCUSED
1. GARY RANUM	X		
2. GARY NORTHOUSE	X		
3. ROBERT SCALLON	X		
4. ROBERT KEENEY	X		
5. ROGER GUTHRIE	X		
6. JOHN PATCLE	X		
7. GREGORY FRY	X		
8. PATRICK SCHROEDER	X		
9. MIKE LIEURANCE	X		
10. MARK STEAD	X		
11. DALE HOOD	X		
12. DWIGHT NELSON	X		
13. CAROL BEALS	X		

	YES	NO	EXCUSED
14. LESTER JANTZEN	X		
15. JOHN BEINBORN	X		
16. DONALD SPLINTER	X		
17. PORTER WAGNER	X		

County Clerk took the roll call vote resulting in 17 YES votes, therefore motion carried.

Discussion/Possible Action on an Ordinance to Amend Chapter 250 Entitled "Tobacco Sales" of the Grant County Code: Sheriff Dreckman presented the ordinance to the Board. Roger Guthrie, second by Gary Northouse made a motion to approve the Ordinance to Amend Chapter 250 .Motion carried by voice vote.

Discussion/Possible Action on Ending Proclamation #8: Orchard Manor/ Farm Committee did approve to end Proclamation #8. Don Splinter, second by Mike Lieurance made the motion to rescind Proclamation #8. Motion carried by voice vote.

Comprehensive Plan Change: None

574<sup>th</sup> Zoning Amendment: Justin Johnson presented the 574<sup>th</sup> Zoning Amendment filed by Daniel Wedig, Jamestown Township, Reddy Ag Service Inc., Liberty Township and Lyle and Shirley Wetter Irrevocable Trust, Fennimore Township to the Board. Gary Northouse, second by Mark Stead made a motion to approve the resolution. Motion carried by voice vote with one abstention.

Presentation Phase III Communication Tower Project to Include Fiber Optic Loop: Chairman Keeney turned the meeting over to Shane Drinkwater, IT Director who gave a presentation on the Phase III Communications Tower Project. The project would provide a full fiber optic loop to support Land Mobile Radio (LMR) and Community Broadband. Two conduits would be run for future growth. The funding will be sourced from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.

Dog Claim(s) Grant County Humane Society: Pat Schroeder, second by Roger Guthrie made a motion to approve one outstanding invoice to Grant County Humane Society in the total of \$155. Motion carried by voice vote.

#### Committee Reports:

Pat Schroeder gave an update on the Fair Board Committee.

Roger Guthrie gave an update on the Law Enforcement/Emergency Management Committee.

Gary Ranum gave an update on Executive Committee and Unified Community Services Committee.

Don Splinter gave an update on Highway Committee and Orchard Manor Committee.

Mark Stead gave an update on Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning Committee.

Carol Beals gave an update on Health Department Committee.

John Beinborn gave an update on Social Services Committee and Economic Development.

Robert Keeney gave an update on Administration Committee and Strategic Plan Committee.

Adjournment: Mark Stead, second by Robert Scallon made a motion to adjourn the meeting pursuant to the next County Board Meeting on April 20, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. Motion carried by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 11:24 a.m.

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