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Grant County Board of Supervisors
April 16, 2024
Administration Building
111 S. Jefferson Street
Lancaster, WI 53813

The Grant County Board of Supervisors meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Corporation Counsel Ben Wood. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Corporation Counsel asked the County Clerk, Tonya White to verify that the meeting was held in compliance with the open meeting law. White verified the meeting was posted at the Grant County Administration Building, Courthouse, on the county website and in the Herald Independent.

Roll call was taken with sixteen (16) present in the room: Gary Ranum, Gary Northouse, Robert Scallon, Robert Keeney, Roger Guthrie, Joseph Mumm, Adam Day, Patrick Schroeder, Rick Sanson, Carol Beals, Diane Nelson, Kathy Kopp, Lester Jantzen, John Beinborn, Mark Vosberg and Brian Lucey. Kelly Fredrickson asked to be excused.

**Oath of Office for the Grant County Board of Supervisors**: Corporation Counsel Ben Wood administered the Oath of Office to the Board of Supervisors for their next two-year term. Corporation Counsel had everyone go around the room and introduce themselves.

**Election for County Board Chair:** Corporation Counsel Ben Wood opened the floor for nominations for County Board Chair. Gary Northouse nominated Robert Keeney for County Board Chair. Corporation Counsel, Ben Wood called for nominations three times. Patrick Schroeder, second by John Beinborn made the motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Robert Keeney. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Election for First Vice Chair:** Corporation Counsel Ben Wood opened the floor for nominations for Vice Chair. Patrick Schroeder nominated Roger Guthrie for First Vice Chair. Corporation Counsel, Ben Wood called for nominations three times. Lester Jantzen, second by John Beinborn made the motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Roger Guthrie. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Approval of Agenda:** Gary Northouse, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to approve the agenda. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Approval of Minutes:** Diane Nelson, second by John Beinborn made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 19, 2024 meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Communications:** Chairman Keeney thanked Donald Splinter and Porter Wagner for their contribution to the Board. Travis Tranel presented Donald Splinter a citation for his 25 years of service at the Executive Committee meeting.

In the welcome packet provided by WCA the schedule for COWS training is provided. There is training in Prairie du Chien this year.

There have been two appreciation meals and there are three left; CSB on the 17th, CSZD and UCS on the 23rd and Orchard Manor on the 24th.

Lori Reid, ADRC Director will be sending out an email regarding the Aging Plan that they are required to do.

**Appointments:** Gary Ranum, second by Robert Scallon made a motion to appoint Mark Hoehne, representing leader in the faith community and Mike Foley, representing school administrator to CJCC. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Grants:** Chief Deputy Travis Klaas presented the grant for Officer Wellness. Joseph Mumm, second by John Beinborn made a motion to approve the Officer Wellness grant for \$8,000 with no match. Motion carried by voice vote.

Amy Olson, Fairgrounds and Operations Director presented the grant for six baby changing stations through the Lancaster Community Foundation, in the amount of \$1,712.65. Patrick Schroeder, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to approve the grant. Motion carried by voice vote.

Krystle Lorenz, Social Services presented the grant for trauma training in the amount of \$5,000. Robert Scallon, second by Diane Nelson made a motion to approve the grant. Motion carried by voice vote.

**602**<sub>nd</sub> **Zoning Amendment:** Erik Heagle, CSZD Administrator presented the 602<sub>nd</sub> Zoning Amendments for Mike and Bonnie Boge in the Town of Jamestown. Adam Day, second by Brian Lucey made a motion to approve RZ24-05. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Update on Fiber Optics/Communications Project**: Shane Drinkwater, IT Director advised the Board that construction on the Bloomington site has started. IT has also been in communication with the Village of Muscoda regarding fiber optics. IT is also working on a project to move the 911 from Lancaster to Platteville over to the fiber optics loop.

**Resolution 2024-05 Authorizing Participation in Public Funding for Snowmobile Trails**: Chairman Robert Keeney presented Resolution 2024-05 for Snowmobile Trails. Patrick Schroeder, second by John Beinborn made a motion to approve resolution authorizing participation in public funding for snowmobile trails. Motion carried by voice vote.

Discussion and Possible Action on out of budget spending for Unified Community Services for Carlson Dettman Wage Project: Ben Biddick, Human Resources for Unified Community Services presented the request. This would allow UCS to restore the wage scale to update job descriptions, update longevity and make it comparable to the counties they serve. The funding would come from the Unified fund balance totaling \$18,950 plus travel and expenses. This will not affect the tax levy for either county. Carol Beals, second by John Beinborn made a motion to approve Unified Community Services to use \$18,950 in out of budget spending from the Unified fund balance. A roll call vote was taken with eight (8) Yes; Ranum, Northouse, Keeney, Guthrie, Sanson, Beals, Jantzen and Beinborn, eight (8) No; Scallon, Mumm, Day, Schroeder, Nelson, Kopp, Vosberg and Lucey. Frederickson was excused. Therefore, motion failed.

**Lift:** Garry Pluemer, Facilities and Maintenance Manager presented the request. The Genie lift would cost \$4,500. Adam Day, second by Gary Northouse made a motion to approve Facilities and Maintenance to purchase a genie lift with out of budget spending of \$4,500 to come from the general fund. A roll call vote was taken with fifteen (15) Yes; Ranum, Northouse, Scallon, Keeney, Guthrie,

Mumm, Day, Schroeder, Sanson, Nelson, Kopp, Jantzen, Beinborn, Vosberg and Lucey, one (1) No; Beals. Fredrickson was excused. Therefore, motion passed.

**Appointment of County Board Committees:** Chairman Keeney has worked through the committees. A 10-minute recess will be taken while the assignment sheet is passed out. Chairman Keeney reconvened the Board and went over the committee assignments. Patrick Schroeder, second by Roger Guthrie made a motion to accept the distributed committee assignments as prepared by the County Board Chair. Motion carried with one negative vote (Scallon).

## **Election of Standing Committee Chairs:**

The Agriculture & Extension/Fair Committee met on Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at the Administration Building, 111 S. Jefferson Street, Lancaster, WI 53813 in Room 264, Second Floor.

Members present: Gary Northouse, Roger Guthrie, Joseph Mumm, Patrick Schroeder, Kathy Kopp and Mark Vosberg.

The meeting was called to order at 11:07 a.m. by County Board Chair Robert Keeney.

**Election of Chair:** Patrick Schroeder nominated Roger Guthrie for Agriculture and Extension/Fair Committee Chair. Robert Keeney called for nominations three times. Joseph Mumm, second by Patrick Schroeder made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Roger Guthrie. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Election of Vice Chair:** Gary Northouse nominated Joseph Mumm for Agriculture and Extension/Fair Committee Vice Chair. Robert Keeney called for nominations three times. Roger Guthrie, second by Mark Vosberg made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Joseph Mumm. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Election of Secretary:** Patrick Schroeder nominated Kathy Kopp for Agriculture and Extension/Fair Committee Secretary. Robert Keeney called for nominations three times. Roger Guthrie, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Kathy Kopp. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Adjournment:** Roger Guthrie, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote.

The Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning Committee met on Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at the Administration Building, 111 S. Jefferson Street, Lancaster, WI 53813 in Room 264, Second Floor.

Members present: Gary Northouse, Joseph Mumm, Adam Day, Patrick Schroeder, Mark Vosberg and Brian Lucey.

The meeting was called to order at 11:10 a.m. by County Board Chairman Robert Keeney.

**Election of Chair:** Brian Lucey nominated Gary Northouse for Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning Chair. Gary Northouse declined the nomination. Gary Northouse nominated Joseph Mumm for Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning Committee. Robert Keeney asked for nominations three times. Patrick Schroeder,

second by Mark Vosberg made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Joseph Mumm. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Election of Vice Chair:** Patrick Schroeder nominated Gary Northouse for Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning Vice Chair. Robert Keeney asked for nominations three times. Patrick Schroeder, second by Adam Day made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Gary Northouse. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Election of Secretary:** Patrick Schroeder nominated Mark Vosberg for Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning Secretary. Robert Keeney asked for nominations three times. Joseph Mumm, second by Adam Day made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Mark Vosberg. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Adjournment:** Adam Day, second by Patrick Schroeder made a motion to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote.

The Health and Human Services Committee met on Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at the Administration Building, 111 S. Jefferson Street, Lancaster, WI 53813 in Room 264, Second Floor.

Members present: Gary Ranum, Adam Day, Rick Sanson, Carol Beals and Diane Nelson.

The meeting was called to order at 11:13 a.m. by County Board Chair Robert Keeney.

**Election of Chair:** Diane Nelson nominated Gary Ranum. Rick Sanson nominated Carol Beals. Chairman Keeney asked by hand raise for votes. Gary Ranum received three votes and Carol Beals received two votes. Gary Ranum was elected Chair.

**Election of Vice Chair:** Adam Day nominated Carol Beals. Carol Beals declined the nomination. Carol Beals nominated Rick Sanson. Robert Keeney asked for nominations three times. Adam Day, second by Diane Nelson made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Rick Sanson. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Election of Secretary:** Carol Beals nominated Diane Nelson. Robert Keeney asked for nominations three times. Adam Day, second by Rick Sanson made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Diane Nelson. Motion carried by voice vote.

Terms for the Health and Human Services Committee are as follows: Gary Ranum term expires in 2026 Adam Day term expires in 2025 Rick Sanson term expires in 2027 Carol Beals term expires in 2027 Diane Nelson term expires in 2026

**Adjournment:** Adam Day, second by Gary Ranum made a motion to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote.

The Highway Committee met on Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at the Administration Building, 111 S. Jefferson Street, Lancaster WI 53813 in Room 264, Second Floor.

Members present: Gary Northouse, Roger Guthrie, Patrick Schroeder, Diane Nelson and Lester Jantzen.

The meeting was called to order at 11:21 a.m. by County Board Chair Robert Keeney.

**Election of Chair:** Patrick Schroeder nominated Gary Northouse for Highway Chair. Robert Kenney called for nominations three times. Patrick Schroder, second by Lester Jantzen made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Gary Northouse. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Election of Vice Chair:** Roger Guthrie nominated Patrick Schroeder for Highway Vice Chair. Robert Keeney called for nominations three times. Roger Guthrie, second by Patrick Schroeder made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Roger Guthrie. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Election of Secretary:** Gary Northouse nominated Diane Nelson for Highway Secretary. Robert Keeney called for nominations three times. Roger Guthrie, second by Patrick Schroeder made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Diane Nelson. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Adjournment:** Roger Guthrie, second by Gary Northouse made a motion to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote.

The Law Enforcement/Emergency Management Disaster Services Committee met on Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at the Administration Building, 111 S. Jefferson Street, Lancaster, WI 53813 in Room 264, Second Floor.

Members present: Gary Ranum, Adam Day, Rick Sanson, Robert Keeney, Kathy Kopp, John Beinborn and Lester Jantzen.

The meeting was called to order at 11:24 a.m. by County Board Chair Robert Keeney.

**Election of Chair:** Lester Jantzen nominated John Beinborn for Chair. Adam Day nominated Kathy Kopp for Chair. Chairman Keeney asked by hand raise for votes. John Beinborn received two votes and Kathy Kopp received four votes.

**Election of Vice Chair:** Lester Jantzen nominated John Beinborn for Vice Chair. Robert Keeney nominated Adam Day. Adam declined the nomination. Robert Keeney asked for nominations three times. Robert Keeney, second by Rick Sanson made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for John Beinborn. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Election of Secretary:** Gary Ranum nominated Rick Sanson for Secretary. Robert Keeney asked for nominations three times. Robert Keeney, second by Adam Day made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Rick Sanson. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Adjournment:** Gary Ranum, second by Adam Day made a motion to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote.

The Orchard Manor/Farm Committee met on Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at the Administration Building, 111 S. Jefferson Street, Lancaster, WI 53813 in Room 264, Second Floor.

Members present: Roger Guthrie, Joseph Mumm, Rick Sanson, Diane Nelson and Mark Vosberg.

The meeting was called to order at 11:28 a.m. by County Board Chair Robert Keeney.

**Election of Chair:** Diane Nelson nominated Rick Sanson. Robert Keeney asked for nominations three times. Roger Guthrie, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Rick Sanson. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Election of Vice Chair:** Roger Guthrie nominated Diane Nelson. Robert Keeney asked for nominations three times. Joseph Mumm, second by Roger Guthrie made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Diane Nelson. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Secretary:** Roger Guthrie nominated Joseph Mumm. Robert Keeney asked for nominations three times. Roger Guthrie, second by Rick Sanson made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Joseph Mumm. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Adjournment:** Joseph Mumm, second by Roger Guthrie made a motion to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Adjournment:** Patrick Schroeder, second by Robert Scallon made a motion to adjourn to May 21, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. Motion carried by voice vote.

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May 21, 2024
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Roll Call was taken with fourteen (14) members present in the room: Gary Ranum, Gary Northouse, Robert Scallon, Robert Keeney, Roger Guthrie, Patrick Schroeder, Rick Sanson, Carol Beals, Diane Nelson, Kathy Kopp, Kelly Fredrickson, Lester Jantzen, John Beinborn and Mark Vosberg. Present virtually one (1) member: Joseph Mumm. Adam Day and Brian Lucey asked to be excused. Chairman Keeney asked the Board to approve Joseph Mumm to participate and vote by Zoom per Board rules. Kathy Kopp, second by Patrick Schroeder made a motion to approve Joseph Mumm to participate by Zoom. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Approval of Agenda:** John Beinborn, second by Diane Nelson made a motion to approve the agenda. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Approval of Minutes:** Rick Sanson, second by Roger Guthrie made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 16, 2024 minutes. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Communications:** Chairman Keeney introduced Kelly Fredrickson to the Board and had Kelly give a brief introduction of himself. The board members gave a brief introduction of themselves.

Kathy Kopp gave a report on the COWS training that four members attended.

WCA Conference will be held in La Crosse on September 22-24. Room and registration opens June 3<sub>rd</sub>. If you plan to attend let Tonya know.

If any Board member is interested in serving on any of the WCA Steering Committees, applications are currently open. There are six steering committees that are available.

Chairman Keeney thanked the Sheriff and his law enforcement staff for their service and dedication to the public. Assistant District Attorney Tony Pozorski was the keynote speaker and gave an excellent speech.

Stacy Hach was hired as the Finance Director. Her first day on the job was April 30, 2024. She is currently in Indianapolis at Tyler Munis training.

Employee Recognition: Chairman Keeney recognized Joe Kaiser for his 26 years of service.

**Appointments:** Chairman Keeney explained that there was a clerical error on information that was passed out at the April meeting regarding the Law Enforcement/Emergency Management Committee. Brian Lucy was supposed to be on Law Enforcement. Corporation Counsel advised that the action needs to be reversed because during the election of officers Chairman Keeney read Lester Jantzen as part of the committee. Gary Ranum, second by Lester Jantzen made a motion to appoint Brian Lucey on the Law Enforcement/Emergency Management Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

Wisconsin River Rail Transit Commission has three members from Grant County. Robert Scallon has one year left to his term, Gary Ranum has two years left of his term but has decided to relinquish his appointment and Mike Lieurance term has ended. Patrick Schroeder, second by Roger Guthrie made a motion to appoint citizen member Mike Lieurance to a three-year term. Motion carried by voice vote.

Chairman Keeney asked the Board if there are any members that would be interested in the position. The Board decided it would be best to ask Dave Wiederholt if he would be interested and wait until the June meeting to make the appointment.

**Grants:** Amy Olson, Fairgrounds and Operations Director presented the grant for a set of bleachers through Community Betterment, in the amount of \$2,000. Roger Guthrie, second by Gary Northouse made a motion to approve the Community Betterment grant. Motion carried by voice vote.

**603**<sub>rd</sub> **Zoning Amendment:** Lucas Finley, CSZD presented the 603<sub>rd</sub> Zoning Amendments for Jay C. Frazier in the Town of Jamestown and Leeser Living Trust in the Town of Harrison. Gary Northouse, second by Lester Jantzen made a motion to approve RZ24-06 and RZ24-07. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Update on Fiber Optics/Communications project:** Sheriff Dreckman advised that they are in the process of constructing the last sites. Millville and Bloomington are in process right now. Shane Drinkwater, IT Director explained that the County has constructed roughly 180 miles of fiber optic to support communications between the new communications towers. IT is in the process of trying to get Millville

and Bloomington online in order to maintain the goal of being online in July. IT is working on scheduling fiber splicing. Each radio tower has an NCS540 which passes information from one tower to the next. IT is prepping two of those for the Bloomington and Millville tower. IT has also been in communications with the City of Boscobel, Village of Muscoda and the Village of Potosi on various projects in regard to the fiber optic loop. The current way of checking and monitoring generators at the tower sites is very limited. Right now if there is an issue at a tower site a relay sends a notification to RACOM. IT is currently trying to configure remote communications and monitoring for all the generator sites that will allow IT to run diagnostics, keep tabs on what the generators are doing and allow remote start and stop.

**Update on Annex building project:** Garry Pluemer, Maintenance Manager gave an update on the Annex Building. The teller area and ceiling have been removed. In the next week or so cable trays will be installed and walls built for the IT closet.

Discussion and possible action on out of budget spending for standardization and other updates as it pertains to the Annex building using available ARPA funds: Garry Pluemer, Maintenance Manager presented to request. Gary Ranum, second by Rick Sanson made a motion to approve up to \$100,000 from ARPA funding for updates at the Annex building including HVAC, security, door controls, electrical and IT. A roll call vote was taken with thirteen (13) Yes, one (1) No, one (1) abstain and two (2) excused therefore motion passed.

Resolution 2024-06 authorizing application to the WI DNR Wisconsin Assessment Monies (WAM)

Program: Carrie Eastlick, County Treasurer presented the resolution. Patrick Schroeder, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to approve the WAM resolution. Motion carried by voice vote.

Discussion and possible action on out of budget spending for Veteran's Office construction of wall for reception area; fiscal impact \$5,000 Veteran's ARPA Funding: Robert Scallon, second by Lester Jantzen made a motion to approve the out of budget spending using ARPA funds for the construction of a reception area. A roll call vote was taken with fifteen (15) Yes and two (2) excused therefore motion carried.

Consideration to rescind motion pertaining to the Unified Community Services Carlson Dettman Project: Gary Ranum, second by Carol Beals made a motion to rescind the action on Carlson Dettman project for Unified Community Services. Motion carried by voice vote with one negative vote.

Discussion and possible action on previously rescinded motion for UCS out of budget spending on Carlson Dettman Project: Holly Knapp, UCS Director explained the history of Unified Community Services, the services they provide, the statutory structure and how they are funded. Carol Beals, second by Gary Ranum made a motion to approve the out of budget spending of \$18, 950 from Unified Community Services unassigned fund balance for the Carlson Dettman project. A roll call vote was taken with fourteen (14) Yes and three (3) excused, therefore motion passed.

Joseph Mumm asked to be excused at 11:39 a.m.

Convene to closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. sec 19.85(1)(e) for the purpose of deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conduction other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session regarding the purchase of property: Patrick Schroeder, second by John Beinborn made a motion to convene to closed session. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Return to open session:** Patrick Schroeder, second by Rick Sanson made a motion to return to open session. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Discussion and possible action on closed session item, if any**: Patrick Schroeder, second by Lester Jantzen made a motion to authorize the County Clerk to sign and submit and offer to purchase on the property discussed in closed session. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Discussion on County Administrator Selection Committee**: Chairman Keeney asked if the Board is ready to take action on pursuing the process of the Administrator. The consensus of the Board is to repost the position in the next few weeks and move forward.

**Dog Claim(s) Grant County Humane Society:** Roger Guthrie, second by Mark Vosberg made a motion to approve the payment of \$320 to the Grant County Humane Society. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Committee Reports**: Gary Northouse, second by Rick Sanson made a motion to forego the committee reports. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Adjournment:** Rick Sanson, second by Diane Nelson made a motion to adjourn to June 18, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. Motion carried by voice vote.

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**Approval of Agenda:** Gary Ranum, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to approve the agenda. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Approval of Minutes:** Patrick Schroeder, second by Lester Jantzen made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 21, 2024 meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Communications:** Amy Olson, Fair Manager asked Board member to help distribute Grant County Fair marketing materials. Amy also explained the fair schedule.

WCA Conference is in La Crosse September 22nd-24th. If you would like to attend let Tonya know.

**Employee Recognitions:** There were no employee recognitions.

**Appointments:** Gary Ranum, second by Robert Scallon made a motion to appoint Dave Wiederholt to the Wisconsin Rail Road Commission. Motion carried by voice vote.

Robert Scallon, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to appoint Val Bailey to the ADRC Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

Gary Ranum, second by Gary Northouse made a motion to appoint Monica Sella to the CJCC. Motion carried by voice vote.

Lester Jantzen, second by John Beinborn made a motion to appoint Billy Funk as a citizen member to the Veteran's Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Grants:** Lori Reid, ADRC Director presented the grant for two vehicles for the nutrition program through the Eckstein Fund, in the amount of \$90,000. Robert Scallon, second by John Beinborn made the motion to approve the grant. Motion carried by voice vote.

**604**th **Zoning Amendment:** Lucas Finley, CSZD presented the 604th Zoning Amendments for Amy Hearn in the Town of South Lancaster, Justin Stuehrenberg in the Town of Watterstown, Town of Lima in the Town of Lima, Wilbur Martin in the Town of Liberty, Dan Washburn in the Town of Millville, Randall Addison in the Town of Wingville and Sheryl Hess in the Town of Paris. Gary Northouse, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to approve the 604th Zoning Amendments. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Update on Fiber Optics/Communications project:** Sheriff Dreckman advised that they are currently working on the Bloomington tower site and then will move to the Millville site, then to Potosi and then the South tower. Cassville is still an issue with trying to get approval for the tribal issue. Shane Drinkwater, IT Director advised that most of the fiber is in the ground and ready to go. They will be cabling the Bloomington tower and setting the vault. IT is also working on renewing the licensing with Cisco routers.

**Discussion and Possible Action on Out of Budget Spending for Electronic Medical Records from Jail Assessment Carryover:** Sheriff Dreckman presented the request. This will allow the jail staff to electronically document medication distribution. John Beinborn, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to approve the out of budget spending using jail assessment funds up to \$39,808.86 and the approval of IT cybersecurity protocol. A roll call vote was taken with sixteen (16) Yes, one (1) Absent, therefore motion carried.

**Update on the Annex Building Project**: Garry Pluemer, Facilities and Maintenance Manager updated the Board on the Annex Building. The ceilings have been removed from most of the building but the offices. The electrician will be changing out the panel in the IT closet. The teller area has been removed and the carpet will be patched. Scheduling of HVAC and door controls will happen in the next few weeks. Items that were left in the building will be available for employees in a few weeks.

**Assignment of Annex Building:** The implication was for Unified to occupy the building. If both floors are occupied an elevator will need to be installed. To make the building useable the cost was over a million dollars. The goal is to have all of Unified in the building but a plan needs to be decided in order to make that happen. For full modification it will take state approved plans. Carol Beals, second by Rick Sanson made a motion to postpone action on the Assignment of the Annex Building until July County Board meeting. Motion carried by voice vote with one negative vote (Schroeder).

**Resolution 2024-07 Authorizing Non-Lapsing Amounts at December 31, 2023 and Amending the 2024 Budget:** Chairman Keeney presented the resolution for the budget amendment. Roger Guthrie, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to approve resolution 2024-07 Authorizing Non-Lapsing Amounts. A roll call vote was taken with sixteen (16) Yes, one (1) Absent, therefore motion carried.

Amend and Reinstate resolution 50-22 Creating Office of County Administrator: The Administrator Selection Committee met with PAA last week and have created a timeline. Interviews would be August 9, 2024. Carol Beals, second by Adam Day made a motion to amend and reinstate resolution 50-22 with the salary range from \$125,000 to \$150,000 and allow PAA to do the recruitment starting July 19, 2024. A roll call vote was taken with fifteen (15) yes, one (1) No (Scallon), one (1) absent, therefore motion carried.

Joseph Mumm was excused from the meeting at 11:27 a.m.

**Policy revisions:** Joyce Roling presented the policy revisions. Roger Guthrie, second by Patrick Schroeder made a motion to approve the policy revisions. Motion carried by voice vote.

Discussion and possible action on allocation of funds for the purchase of property by Grant County: Jon Knautz, Highway Commissioner presented the requested. The Highway Department would like to transfer FAS funds to the Capital Outlay account to purchase property near Patch Grove. Robert Scallon, second by John Beinborn made a motion to approve the allocation of \$750,000 from the FAS account to the capital outlay account. A roll call vote was taken with fifteen (15) yes, 2 two (absent), therefore motion carried.

### **Committee Reports:**

Ag, Extension & Fair: Roger Guthrie gave a report.

ADRC: Kathy Kopp gave a report.

CJCC: There was no report.

CSZD: Robert Keeney gave a report.

DMATS: There was no report.

Executive: Robert Keeney gave a report. Highway: Gary Northouse gave a report. Hidden Valleys: Robert Scallon gave a report.

Railroad: Robert Scallon gave a report. HHS: Gary Ranum gave a report.

GCED: John Beinborn gave a report.

Law Enforcement/Emergency Management: Kathy Kopp gave a report.

Orchard Manor/Farm: Rick Sanson gave a report.

SWCAP: Carol Beals gave a report. UCS: Carol Beals gave a report.

Veteran's: Lester Jantzen gave a report.

**Adjournment:** Roger Guthrie, second by John Beinborn made a motion to adjourn until July 16, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. Motion carried by voice vote.

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**Approval of Amended Agenda:** Gary Northouse, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Approval of Minutes:** Robert Scallon, second by Adam Day made a motion to approve the minutes from the June 18, 2024 meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Communications:** Chairman Keeney reminded the Board that the WCA Conference is September 22-24 in LaCrosse. There are several good breakout sessions this year.

Diane Nelson joined the meeting. Adam Day, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to allow Diane Nelson to participate by Zoom. Motion carried by voice vote.

Chairman Keeney advised that the Executive Committee has discussed parameters of the 2025 budget. The Executive Committee would like all capital purchases to be identified but not included in the operational budget. The wage increase will follow the previous resolution, along with a 3% cost of living increase. Insurance premium is projected to increase 8 to 15% so the Executive Committee would like departments to consider 10%. There will be an HRA contribution to replenish the fund. There is an anticipated increase of 5% in the worker's compensation premium. The general retirement rates are going up half of a percent. The shared revenue payments should increase based on the law passed last year. There is some carryover from sales tax that could be used. There are also some debt service payments to be made in 2025.

Chairman Keeney also went over the management vacancies. The Administrator recruitment is moving

forward. So far there have been ten applicants. The applications close on Friday, July 19, 2024 and PAA will work through the applications. The committee will meet again July 30, 2024 and are planning to have the interview and meet and greet August 9, 2024. The Finance Director position has been posted. Action will be taken today on Health Director and Social Services retirement. The Human Resources Director is retiring in August. The position will be left unfilled dependent on the Administrator recruitment. Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning Committee is interviewing three applicants for the Administrator position.

**Appointments:** John Beinborn, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to appoint Lester Jantzen as ADRC Regional board representative. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Confirmation of the appointment of Interim Director of Social Services**: Gary Ranum, second by John Beinborn made a motion to appoint CeCe Fishnick as the Interim Director of Social Services effective August 9, 2024. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Confirmation of the appointment of Health Officer:** Adam Day, second by Gary Northouse made a motion to appoint Kessa Klaas as the Grant County Health Officer. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Grants:** Sheriff Dreckman presented the Wisconsin Safety Enforcement Grant for speed enforcement, in the amount of \$7,500. The match will be applied with equipment purchases. Robert Scallon, second by Brian Lucey made a motion to approve the Speed Enforcement Grant. Motion carried by voice vote.

**605**th **Zoning Amendment:** Lucas Finley, CSZD presented the 605th Zoning Amendment for Jeffrey Danz in the Town of Clifton. Joseph Mumm, second by Adam Day made a motion to approve petition RZ24-15 which is the 605th Zoning Amendment. Motion carried by voice vote.

**SWWRPC Annual Presentation**: Troy Maggied, Executive Director of Southwestern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission gave a yearly update.

**Amend Ordinance 206-2, Entitled Unlawful use of telephone:** Sheriff Dreckman presented the amendment to Ordinance 206-2. Adam Day, second by Rick Sanson made a motion to amend ordinance 206-2, Entitled Unlawful Use of Telephone. Motion carried by voice vote.

Discussion and possible action on Sheriff's Office request for out of budget spending to upgrade handguns and related equipment: Sheriff Dreckman presented the request for new handguns and equipment in the amount of \$27,247.16. The Sheriff's Office will be selling some excess equipment in order to cover the cost of the request. Gary Ranum, second by Gary Northouse made a motion to approve the sale of excess equipment to offset the cost of the upgraded handguns and equipment in the amount of \$27,247.16. A roll call vote was taken with fifteen (15) Yes and two (2) Absent, therefore motion carried.

Request to approve and implement tentative agreement for 2025-2026 WPPA Union Contract: Chairman Keeney presented the WPPA agreement to the Board. John Beinborn, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to approve the WPPA Union Contract agreement for 2025-2026. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Update on Fiber Optics/Communications project**: Sheriff Dreckman advised that the Bloomington site has some final items to be done, but will not take place until after the fair. The Potosi tower site

foundation has been dug and poured. The Millville tower site has a power pole that needs to be moved before they can dig for the foundation. At the Cassville tower site they did the samples and it looks like there may be no issues. The South tower site there are some easement issues that need to be worked out.

Shane Drinkwater, IT Director advised that the Highway Shop in Platteville has been connected to the fiber optic loop. IT has ordered optics for the 911 system and once those optics arrive a fiber path from Lancaster to Platteville will be done for the migration of 911 to the fiber loop. IT has been working with Racom to configure the radios on the fiber loop.

Discussion and possible action on renewal of current fiber optic NCS540 support contract using ARPA funds: Shane Drinkwater, IT Director presented the request with updated numbers for the support contract. The support contract can only go out five years. The current subscription for a five-year contract is \$116,881.48. Kathy Kopp, second by Gary Ranum made a motion to approve the NCS540 fiveyear subscription and maintenance contract in the amount of \$116,8841.48 using ARPA funding. A roll call vote was taken with fourteen (14) Yes, one (1) No (Lucey) and two (2) absent (Schroeder and Fredrickson), therefore motion carried.

**Discussion and possible action on purchase of NCS540 router for a hot spare using ARPA funds for out of budget spending:** Shane Drinkwater, IT Director presented the request for a spare router. The router would be plugged in and ready to go in case a tower site lost a router. The cost would be \$19,422.12. Adam Day, second by Lester Jantzen made a motion to approve the purchase of the NCS540 as a hot spare in the amount of \$19,422.12 using ARPA funding. A roll call vote was taken with fifteen (15) Yes and two (2) Absent (Schroeder and Fredrickson), therefore motion carried.

**Network Device Policy:** Shane Drinkwater, IT Director presented the Network Device Policy. This policy will better the cybersecurity. Roger Guthrie, second by John Beinborn made a motion to approve the Network Device Policy. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Update on Annex Building project:** Garry Pluemer, Facilities and Maintenance Manager advised that the IT closet has been painted. The floor, ceiling and cabling trays should be completed by the end of next week. The carpet needs to be patched but that will be done towards the end of the project.

**Assignment of Annex Building:** Chairman Keeney gave an update on the Annex Building. No action will need to be taken on this item. At the March County Board meeting it was decided that UCS needed to work with Maintenance and IT to come up with a plan to repurpose the BMO building. UCS will be using the main floor as an overflow with continued discussion on a long term plan.

**Resolution Authorizing Grant County to Enter into Settlement Agreement with Kroger Co:** Corporation Counsel presented the resolution regarding the opioid settlement. The proposed plan is to approve this resolution to become part of the settlement by August 12, 2024. Roger Guthrie, second by Rick Sanson made a motion to adopt the Resolution with Kroger Company. Motion carried by voice vote.

Amend Ordinance Chapter 63, Section 2Q Minimum retention periods for Health Department: Jeff Kindrai, Health Director presented the amended ordinance for records retention. John Beinborn, second by Gary Ranum made a motion to amend ordinance chapter 63, section 2Q relating to the Health Department. Motion carried by voice vote.

Discussion and possible action on out of budget spending for Combi-Oven from Orchard Manor fund

**balance:** Alesha Erdenberger, Orchard Manor Administrator presented the request. The request is for a double stacked combi-oven in the amount of \$42,360.45. Roger Guthrie, second by Rick Sanson made a motion to approve the purchase of combi-ovens in the amount of \$42,360.45 using Orchard Manor fund balance. A roll call vote was taken with thirteen (13) Yes, one (1) No (Lucey), three (3) Absent (Beals, Fredrickson and Schroeder), therefore motion carried.

**Dog Claim(s):** Adam Day, second by Roger Guthrie made a motion to approve the payment of \$320 to the Grant County Humane Society and ask the Humane Society to take legal action on the other three dog claims. Motion carried by voice vote.

Committee Reports: Ag, Extension and Fair – Roger Guthrie gave a report.

ADRC – There was no meeting in June.

CSZD – Joseph Mumm gave a report.

Executive – Robert Keeney gave a report.

DMATS – Brian Lucey has not met with them.

Highway – Meeting will be Thursday.

Hidden Valley – Bob Scallon gave a report.

Railroad – Bob Scallon gave a report.

HHS – Gary Ranum gave a report.

GCEDC- John Beinborn gave a report.

LE/EM – Kathy Kopp gave a report.

Orchard Manor/Farm – Rick Sanson gave a report.

Unified Community Services – Meeting will take place Wednesday night.

Veterans – Lester Jantzen gave a report.

**Adjournment:** Bob Scallon, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to adjourn until August 20, 2024. Motion carried by voice vote.

Grant County Board of Supervisors
August 20, 2024
Administration Building
111 S. Jefferson Street
Lancaster, WI 53813

The Grant County Board of Supervisors meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by County Board Chairman Robert Keeney. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Chairman Robert Keeney asked the County Clerk, Tonya White to verify that the meeting was held in compliance with the open meeting law. White verified the meeting was posted at the Grant County Administration Building, Courthouse, on the county website and in the Herald Independent.

Roll Call was taken with fifteen (15) members present in the room: Gary Ranum, Gary Northouse, Robert Scallon, Robert Keeney, Roger Guthrie, Joseph Mumm, Adam Day, Patrick Schroeder, Carol Beals, Diane Nelson, Kathy Kopp, Lester Jantzen, John Beinborn, Mark Vosberg and Brian Lucey. Rick Sanson asked to be excused and Kelly Fredrickson was absent.

Approval of Amended Agenda: Joseph Mumm, second by Diane Nelson made a motion to approve the

amended agenda. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Approval of Minutes:** Patrick Schroeder, second by Robert Scallon made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 16, 2024 meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Communications:** Brandon Davis, Project Manager for Inenergy gave a presentation on the Badger Hollow Wind Farm Project.

Chairman Keeney congratulated Alesha Erdenberger, Nate Gallagher, Jenna Hill, Erik Heagle and Justin Johnson on the completion of NACo High Performance Leadership graduation.

Chairman Keeney congratulated Craig Reukauf on his graduation from Wisconsin Law Enforcement Command College.

Finance interviews will take place Wednesday, August 21, 2024. The Executive Committee will be interviewing four individuals.

The 2025 budget process has been started. There will be a workshop on wages and benefits Thursday.

**Appointments:** Gary Ranum, second by John Beinborn made a motion to appoint Norma Grinnell to CJCC. Motion carried by voice vote.

Diane Nelson, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to appoint Mark Stead as an ADRC Regional representative. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Employee Recognition:** Chairman Keeney presented a certificate of appreciation to Rick Place for his 33 years of service to Grant County.

Chairman Keeney recognized Jamie Scholl for his 30 years of service to Grant County.

**Grants:** Holly Knapp, Unified Community Services presented the capital projects grant. There is no match for the grant and the amount can be up to \$5,000,000. Carol Beals, second by Gary Northouse made a motion to approve the capital project grant up to \$5,000,000. Motion carried by voice vote.

**606**th **Zoning Amendment**: Lucas Finley, CSZD presented the 606th Zoning Amendment for Amos Fisher in the Town of Wingville, Ivan Lutz in the Town of Liberty, Justin Lange in the Town of Jamestown and Hinderman Revocable Trust in the Town of Paris. Patrick Schroeder, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to approve the 606th Zoning Amendment. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Update on Fiber Optics/Communications project:** Sheriff Dreckman advised the board that the project is a week behind because of weather conditions. The Bloomington site is in the final stages of completion. The Potosi site is close to completion as well. Currently, work is being done on the Millville site and South site. The West site and Cassville site have not been started. There are some easement issues that need to be worked out. The majority of the fiber optic loop is complete.

**Update on the Annex Building project:** Garry Pluemer, Facilities and Maintenance Manager advised the board that electrical and duct work is almost complete. The HVAC controls have been started. The cable trays have been completed and the cat9 wiring will be ran soon. The door controls have also been

started. The ceiling has been a challenge to find a vendor to complete the ceiling project.

County Administrator Selection Update: Chairman Keeney gave an overview of the process and advised the board that the committee has come forward with a candidate. Chairman Keeney turned the meeting over to Dave Bretl from PAA to describe the process, explain the contract and answer any questions. Roger Guthrie, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to approve the contract that was presented to the board for Nate Dreckman as the Grant County Administrator. A roll call vote was taken with thirteen (13) Yes, two (2) No (Schroeder and Beinborn) and two (2) absent (Sanson and Fredrickson), therefore motion carried.

Discussion and possible action on out of budget spending for Wander/Door Alarm System out of Orchard Manor fund balance: Garry Pluemer, Facilities and Maintenance Manager presented the request. Robert Scallon, second by Diane Nelson made a motion to approve the out of budget spending using Orchard Manor fund balance to purchase the wander alarm system with an approximate cost of \$20,000. A roll call vote was taken with fifteen (15) Yes and two (2) absent, therefore motion carried.

Resolution relating to Aging & Disability Resource Center 85.20 (State Aid) and 5311 (Federal Aid) to provide subsidized taxi transportation service to residents in Grant County: Lori Reid, ADRC Director presented the resolution. Adam Day, second by Brian Lucey made a motion to approve the resolution for 85.20 and 5311. Motion carried by voice vote.

Resolution relating to Aging & Disability Resource Center 85.21 assisting in providing specialized transportation service to elderly and disabled: Lori Reid, ADRC Director presented the resolution. John Beinborn, second by Robert Scallon made a motion to approve the resolution for 85.21. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Dog Claim(s) Grant County Humane Society:** Patrick Schroeder, second by Roger Guthrie made a motion to approve the dog claims in the amount of \$1440. Motion carried by voice vote.

### **Committee Reports:**

ADRC: Meeting will be held tomorrow.

CSZD: Joseph Mumm introduced Keith Lane as the Administrator.

Executive: Robert Keeney gave a report.

DMATS: Meeting was canceled.

Highway: Gary Northouse gave a report. Hidden Valley: Robert Scallon gave a report. Railroad: Robert Scallon gave a report.

HHS: Gary Ranum gave a report.

Economic Development: John Beinborn gave a report.

Law Enforcement/Emergency Management: Kathy Kopp advised they did not have a meeting.

Orchard Manor/Farm: Rick Sanson was absent.

UCS: Carol Beals gave a report.

Veteran's: Lester Jantzen gave a report. Traffic Safety: Robert Keeney gave a report.

Ag, Extension and Fair: Roger Guthrie gave a report.

CJCC: Gary Ranum gave a report. Library: Kelly Fredrickson was absent. **Adjournment:** Robert Scallon, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to adjourn until October 1, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. Motion carried by voice vote.

Grant County Board of Supervisors
October 1, 2024
Administration Building
111 S. Jefferson Street
Lancaster, WI 53813

The Grant County Board of Supervisors meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by County Board Chairman Robert Keeney. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Chairman Robert Keeney asked the County Clerk, Tonya White to verify that the meeting was held in compliance with the open meeting law. White verified the meeting was posted at the Grant County Administration Building, Courthouse and on the county website.

Roll Call was taken with fourteen (14) members present in the room: Gary Ranum, Gary Northouse, Robert Scallon, Robert Keeney, Roger Guthrie, Joseph Mumm, Rick Sanson, Carol Beals, Diane Nelson, Kathy Kopp, Lester Jantzen, John Beinborn, Mark Vosberg and Brian Lucey. Present virtually one (1) member: Adam Day. Patrick Schroeder asked to be excused and Kelly Fredrickson was absent. Chairman Keeney asked the Board to approve Adam Day to participate by Zoom per the Board rules. Kathy Kopp, second by Roger Guthrie made a motion to allow Adam Day to participate by Zoom. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Approval of Agenda:** John Beinborn, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to approve the agenda. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Approval of Minutes:** Roger Guthrie, second by Brian Lucey made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 20, 2024 meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Communications:** Chairman Keeney welcomed Nate Dreckman as the new Administrator.

Chairman Keeney advised the Board that next month the Executive Committee and the County Board will take action on ending the Administrative Coordinator position along with an updated job description for the County Board Chair.

Chairman Keeney gave an update on the 2023 audit. Keeney has been working with Baker Tilley and Amanda Degenhardt on reviewing materials. Baker Tilley will be on site next week to work with departments.

Molly Bohn Field Representative for Congressman Van Orden gave a Legislative update.

James Schneider and Tracy Fishnick gave an update on Grant County Tourism.

Melodie Betts addressed the Board regarding a citizen concern.

**Appointments:** There were no appointments.

**Employee Recognitions**: Chairman Keeney recognized Jeff Kindrai for his 20 years of service.

Chairman Keeney recognized Joyce Roling for her 30 years of service.

Chairman Keeney presented a certificate of appreciation to Fred Naatz for his 31 years of service.

Chairman Keeney recognized Lisa Meyers for her 38 years of service.

**Grants:** Chairman Keeney presented the DNR grant for E- Recycling in the amount of \$4,000. Robert Scallon, second by Gary Northouse made a motion to approve the DNR E-Recycling grant. Motion carried by voice vote.

**607**th **Zoning Amendment:** Lucas Finley, CSZD presented the 607th Zoning Amendment for Lisa Womack in the Town of Lima, Chad Hugill in the Town of Wingville and Swain Living Trust Dated July 28, 2016 in the Town of Muscoda. Joseph Mumm, second by Mark Vosberg made a motion to approve the 607th Zoning Amendment. Motion carried by voice vote.

Memoriam for Stephen Freese: Chairman Keeney read the memoriam for Stephen J. Freese.

# RESOLUTION #2024-11 IN MEMORIAM OF STEPHEN J. FREESE

The Grant County Board of Supervisors, assembled this 1st day of October, 2024 issues the following commemoration:

WHEREAS, the death of Stephen J. Freese from the Town of Jamestown, Grant County, Wisconsin has come to the attention of this body; and

WHEREAS, Stephen J. Freese served on the Grant County Board of Supervisors from April 1982 to April 1992 representing the Town of Jamestown, Town of Hazel Green and Village of Hazel Green; 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 Stephen J. Freese 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/ Tonya White, Grant County Clerk

Kathy Kopp, second by Mark Vosberg made a motion to approve resolution 202-11 in Memoriam for Stephen J. Freese. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Update on Fiber Optics/Communications project:** Nate Dreckman advised that the easement for the Cassville tower has been signed. Millville tower site has the base completed and shelter set but the tower is not stacked. At the Potosi site a few items are being finalized before completion. A fence was

moved in order to give the Town of Potosi enough room at the well head. The South tower site driveway needs to be widened.

Shane Drinkwater discussed the fiber optics portion of the project. As shelters have been installed IT has been connecting the radio tower shelters to the loop. IT has also been looking at additional areas where fiber optics need to be connected. Drinkwater has been compiling a list of items that will be needed in 2025 to complete the loop. Racom has been working with the County on building out the radio portion of the network that runs on top of the fiber loop.

**Update on Annex Building project:** Garry Pluemer advised that the ceiling grid has been installed. Most of the HVAC components are installed above the ceiling on the main floor. About half of the HVAC is complete upstairs with work to be done in the downstairs yet. By the end of the week the flooring should be completed.

**Discussion and possible action on Amendment to Ordinance 206-16.3 Public Nuisance:** Nate Dreckman presented the ordinance. This would allow law enforcement to hold the individual doing the activity accountable. Gary Ranum, second by John Beinborn made a motion to table the amended ordinance until the November county board meeting with the Law Enforcement Committee reviewing the ordinance first. Motion carried by voice vote.

**2025 Budget Workshop:** Chairman Keeney went over the guidelines that were given to department heads. Health insurance increase came in at 16% increase. TriCor is hoping to negotiate that down. The budget included a .5% general retirement increase and .65% increase for protected status. Sales tax was increased along with shared revenue and utility aid. John Beinborn, second by Gary Ranum made a motion to refer the budget back to the Executive Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Dog Claim(s) Grant County Humane Society:** Roger Guthrie, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to approve the dog claim in the amount of \$160. Motion carried by voice vote.

### **Committee Reports:**

Ag, Extension and Fair: Roger Guthrie gave a report.

ADRC: Nothing to report

CJCC: Gary Ranum gave a report. CSZD: Joseph Mumm gave a report.

DMATS: Nothing to report.

Executive: Robert Keeney gave a report. GCED: John Beinborn gave a report. Highway: Gary Northouse gave a report. Hidden Valleys: Bob Scallon gave a report. WI River Rail: Bob Scallon gave a report.

Law Enforcement/Emergency Management: Kathy Kopp gave a report.

HHS: Gary Ranum gave a report.

Orchard Manor: Rick Sanson gave a report.

SWCAP: Carol Beals gave a report.

Unified Community Services: Carol Beals gave a report.

Veterans: Lester Jantzen gave a report.

Adjournment: Roger Guthrie, second by Bob Scallon made a motion to adjourn until November 12, 2024

at 10:00 a.m. Motion carried by voice vote.

Grant County Board of Supervisors November 12, 2024 Administration Building 111 S. Jefferson Street Lancaster, WI 53813

The Grant County Board of Supervisors meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by County Board Chairman Robert Keeney. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Chairman Robert Keeney asked the County Clerk, Tonya White to verify that the meeting was held in compliance with the open meeting law. White verified the meeting was posted at the Grant County Administration Building, Courthouse and on the county website.

Roll Call was taken with twelve (12) members present in the room: Gary Ranum, Gary Northouse, Robert Keeney, Roger Guthrie, Joseph Mumm, Adam Day, Pat Schroeder, Rick Sanson, Carol Beals, Kathy Kopp, Lester Jantzen and Brian Lucey. Present virtually one (1) member: John Beinborn. Diane Nelson and Mark Vosberg asked to be excused. Kelly Fredrickson and Robert Scallon were absent. Chairman Robert Keeney asked the Board to approve John Beinborn to participate by Zoom per the board rules. Pat Schroeder, second by Brian Lucey made a motion to allow John Beinborn to participate by Zoom. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Approval of Agenda:** Gary Northouse, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to approve the agenda. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Approval of Minutes:** Rick Sanson, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 1, 2024 meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Communications:** WCA Legislative Exchange is February 25-26 in Madison. WCA Steering Committee and UW Extension have agreed to an MOU.

**Appointments:** There were no appointments.

**Grants:** CeCe Fishnick presented the Caregiver Grant for Social Services. Gary Ranum, second by Adam Day made a motion to approve the grant. Motion carried by voice vote.

Chairman Keeney presented the EPCRA and EMPG Grant for Emergency Management. Gary Northouse, second by Brian Lucey made a motion to approve the grant. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Update on Fiber Optics/Communication Project:** Administrator Dreckman advised that the west side tower site had to be redesigned because of encroachment issues. The Cassville site bid packet is being worked through. The Millville and South tower sites are being worked on right now. In Richland County there is paging equipment that needed to be moved to another area. IT is looking to complete the project by year end. IT would like to temporarily wire Cassville tower site so the loop can be active before the tower is completed. IT is working on completing the fiber to municipalities and the Fennimore Highway Shop.

**608**th **Zoning Amendment:** Lucas Finley, Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning presented the 608th Zoning Amendment for Acts 29, LLC in the Town of Harrison. Rick Sanson, second by Lester Jantzen made a motion to approve the zoning amendment. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Amend Ordinance 206-16.3 Public Nuisance:** Administrator Dreckman presented the ordinance amendment. Adam Day, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to approve the amendment with the change in the first paragraph to say 'no person shall, cause initiative, or be party to, calls for law enforcement service, frequently reporting any of the following nuisances.' Motion carried by voice vote.

**Update on the Annex Building**: Garry Pluemer, Maintenance and Facilities Manager informed the Board that the first floor is complete and ready for move in. The door controls will be started very soon. There is still work that needs to be completed in the basement.

**Discussion and possible action on out of budget spending for engineering design cost for humidification at Orchard Manor:** Garry Pluemer, Facilities and Maintenance Manager presented the request. Pat Schroder, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to approve \$19,500 from Orchard Manor fund balance for design of the humidification system. A roll call vote was taken with twelve (12) Yes, one (1) No (Lucey) and four absent. Therefore, motion carried.

**Discussion and possible action on out of budget spending for Administration Building Chiller:** Garry Pluemer, Facilities and Maintenance Manager presented the request. Gary Ranum, second by Carol Beals made a motion to approve the Johnson Controls proposal in the amount of \$2,500 coming from the general fund. A roll call vote was taken with thirteen (13) Yes, and four (4) absent. Therefore, motion carried.

**Discussion and possible action on Courthouse fire alarm system:** Garry Pluemer, Facilities and Maintenance Manager presented the request. Pat Schroeder, second by Rick Sanson made a motion to approve Johnson Control bid at \$8934.48 and Sweet Hill bid at \$2890 for a total of \$11824.48 using ARPA funds. A roll call vote was taken with thirteen (13) Yes, and four (4) absent. Therefore, motion carried.

Discussion and possible action on out of budget spending for Jail Bosch operating system to be taken from the Jail Assessment Fund: Sheriff Reukauf and Shane Drinkwater, IT Director presented the request. Kathy Kopp, second by Carol Beals made a motion to approve the upgrade to the jail operating system totaling \$45,800 with IT purchasing storage unit at \$23,100 and Accurate Controls bid at \$22,700 to come from the jail assessment fund. A roll call vote was taken with thirteen (13) Yes, and four (4) absent. Therefore, motion carried.

Discussion and possible action on out of budget spending for Courthouse security: Shane Drinkwater, IT Director presented the request. Roger Guthrie, second by Carol Beals made a motion to approve the use of ARPA funding for the upgraded courthouse camera system and polycom system including the jail polycom in the amount of \$44899.12. A roll call vote was taken with ten (10) Yes, one (1) No (Lucey), two (2) Abstain (Day and Northouse) and four (4) absent. Therefore, motion carried.

Discussion and possible action on sale of Bloomington Highway Shop property: Jon Knautz, Highway Commissioner presented the request. Pat Schroeder, second by Rick Sanson made a motion to authorize the County Clerk to sign all documentation needed for the sale of the Bloomington Highway Shop to the Town of Bloomington. A roll call vote was taken with thirteen (13) Yes, and four (4) absent. Therefore,

motion carried.

**County Board Chair summary of duties:** Chairman Keeney explained the updated duties of the County Board Chair with the hiring of an Administrator. The job duties could change in the next legislative session. Carol Beals, second by Adam Day made a motion to approve the County Board Chair summary of duties with the exception of the County Board Chair assigning the Committee Chairs. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Elected Official Sick Leave Policy:** Administrator Dreckman presented the policy. Rick Sanson, second by Carol Beals made a motion to postpone action on the policy until January 2025. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Non-Rep Pay Policy and Evaluation Policy:** Administrator Dreckman presented the policy. Adam Day, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to approve the Non-Rep Policy and Evaluation Policy. Motion carried by voice vote.

Pat Schroeder asked to be excused from the meeting and to be able to join by Zoom.

The meeting was recessed until 12:00 p.m.

The meeting was called back to order at 12:02 p.m.

**Convene to Public Hearing for 2025 budget:** Patrick Montgomery, Administrator Dreckman and Chairman Keeney presented the 2025 budget.

**Reconvene to County Board Meeting:** Adam Day, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to reconvene to the County Board meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

Adam Day, second by Gary Northouse made a motion to approve Pat Schroeder to participate by Zoom on his phone per the board rules. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Adoption of 2025 budget:** Roger Guthrie, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to approve the 2025 budget. A roll call vote was taken with twelve (12) Yes, one (1) No (Jantzen) and four (4) absent. Therefore, motion carried.

Resolution 2024-12 eliminating the Grant County Information Technology Director as Grant County Administrative Coordinator with Limited Authority: Rick Sanson, second by John Beinborn made the motion to approve resolution 2024-12. A roll call vote was taken with thirteen (13) Yes, and four (4) absent. Therefore, motion carried.

**Resolution 2024-13 Operation Green Light**: Roger Guthrie, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to approve resolution 2024-13. Motion carried by voice vote.

Resolution 2024-14 Authorizing the County Treasurer to Settle in full the General Taxes for the Tax Roll Year 2024, Collectable in 2025: Adam Day, second by Brian Lucey made a motion to approve resolution 2024-14. A roll call vote was taken with thirteen (13) Yes, and four (4) absent. Therefore, motion carried.

**Resolution 2024-15 Regarding County Orders:** Joseph Mumm, second by Gary Northouse made a motion to approve resolution 2024-15. A roll call vote was taken with thirteen (13) Yes, and four (4) absent. Therefore, motion carried.

**Resolution 2024-16 Regarding the Investment of County Funds:** Kathy Kopp, second by Gary Ranum made a motion to approve resolution 2024-17. A roll call vote was taken with thirteen (13) Yes, and four (4) absent. Therefore, motion carried.

**Resolution 2024-17 Regarding General Tax Levy:** Adam Day, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to approve resolution 2024-17 regarding general tax levy of \$16,408,919.85. A roll call vote was taken with thirteen (13) Yes, and four (4) absent. Therefore, motion carried.

**Resolution 2024-18 Establishing Non-Represented Wages for 2025:** Gary Northouse, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to approve resolution 2024-18. A roll call vote was taken with thirteen (13) Yes, and four (4) absent. Therefore, motion carried.

Resolution 2024-19 Establishing Grant County Board Chair Salary for 2025: Kathy Kopp, second by Carol Beals made a motion to approve resolution 2024-19. A roll call vote was taken with ten (10) Yes, two (2) No (Schroeder and Jantzen), one (1) abstain (Keeney) and four (4) absent. Therefore, motion carried.

**Resolution 2024-20 Authorizing Tax Anticipation Note in the amount of \$970,000:** Adam Day, second by Gary Northouse made a motion to approve resolution 2024-20. A roll call vote was taken with twelve (12) Yes, zero (0) No, and five (5) absent (Schroeder did not respond when asked his vote). Therefore, motion carried.

Resolution 2024-21 County Construction and Maintenance during the calendar year of 2025: Gary Northouse, second by Roger Guthrie made a motion to approve resolution 2024-21. A roll call vote was taken with twelve (12) Yes, zero (0) No, and five (5) absent (Schroeder did not respond when asked his vote). Therefore, motion carried.

**Resolution 2024-22 Regarding County Road Aid – Townships**: John Beinborn, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to approve resolution 2024-22. A roll call vote was taken with thirteen (13) Yes, and four (4) absent. Therefore, motion carried.

**Resolution 2024-23 Regarding County Road Aid – Villages**: Carol Beals, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to approve resolution 2024-23. A roll call vote was taken with thirteen (13) Yes, and four (4) absent. Therefore, motion carried.

**Resolution 2024-24 Regarding County Road Aid – Cities:** Gary Northouse, second by Brian Lucey made a motion to approve resolution 2024-25. A roll call vote was taken with eleven (11) Yes, zero (0) No, two (2) abstain (Kopp and Day) and four (4) absent. Therefore, motion carried.

**Resolution 2024-25 County Aid Bridge Construction:** Joseph Mumm, second by Carol Beals made a motion to approve resolution 2024-25. A roll call vote was taken with thirteen (13) Yes, and four (4) absent. Therefore, motion carried.

Dog Claim(s) Grant County Humane Society: Roger Guthrie, second by Adam Day made a motion to

approve the payment of \$160 to Grant County Humane Society. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Committee Reports:** Gary Northouse, second by Lester Jantzen made a motion to forego committee reports. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Adjourn:** Joseph Mumm, second by Adam Day made a motion to adjourn until December 10, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. Motion carried by voice vote.

Grant County Board of Supervisors
December 10, 2024
Administration Building
111 S. Jefferson Street
Lancaster, WI 53813

The Grant County Board of Supervisors meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by County Board Chairman Robert Keeney. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Chairman Robert Keeney asked the County Clerk, Tonya White to verify that the meeting was held in compliance with the open meeting law. White verified the meeting was posted at the Grant County Administration Building, Courthouse and on the county website.

Roll Call was taken with fifteen (15) members present in the room: Gary Ranum, Gary Northouse, Robert Scallon, Robert Keeney, Roger Guthrie, Joseph Mumm, Adam Day, Patrick Schroeder, Rick Sanson, Carol Beals, Kathy Kopp, Lester Jantzen, John Beinborn, Mark Vosberg and Brian Lucey. Diane Nelson asked to be excused and there is one vacancy.

**Approval of Agenda:** Gary Northouse, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to approve the agenda. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Approval of Minutes:** Roger Guthrie, second by Adam Day made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 12, 2024 meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Communications:** Chairman Keeney thanked everyone for adjusting their schedule to accommodate moving the meeting a week ahead.

Administrator Dreckman introduced Angie Gerndt who was hired as the Human Resources Manager.

Chairman Keeney advised the Board members that District 13 is vacant. An add was placed in the Platteville Journal for interested parties. There have been no inquiries.

# **Appointments:**

Gary Ranum, second by Carol Beals made a motion to appoint Holly Muench as the citizen member to the HHS Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

Rick Sanson, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to appoint Jon Knautz as the Grant County Highway Commissioner. Motion carried by voice vote.

John Beinborn, second by Carol Beals made a motion to appoint Mary Lou Bausch as a citizen member to the ADRC Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

Adam Day, second by Robert Scallon made a motion to appoint Rick Sanson to the Southwest Library System. Motion carried by voice vote.

John Beinborn, second by Carol Beals made a motion to appoint Roger Guthrie to Southwest Cap Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

Roger Guthrie, second by Carol Beals made a motion to appoint Kessa Klaas as the Health Department representative to LEPC. Motion carried by voice vote.

Gary Ranum, second by Adam Day made a motion to appoint Lainee McLennan as the Family Advocates representative to CJCC. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Grants:** Steve Braun, Emergency Management Director presented the Hazmat Regional Emergency Response grant. Adam Day, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to approve the grant. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Employee Recognition:** Chairman Keeney presented a certificate to Dan McLimans for his 26 years of service.

**Update on Fiber Optics/Communication Project:** Administrator Dreckman discussed the Cassville tower bid process. The West site foundation has been poured with the shelter being placed next week. Shane Drinkwater, IT Director advised that IT will be testing the fiber loop prior to the Cassville tower being placed online. IT is getting close to wrapping up most projects. There has also been some interest in companies using the fiber.

**Opioid Task Force Update and discussion:** Chairman Keeney gave an update on the Opioid Task Force and the funds that have been dispersed. Chairman Keeney asked the Board for further guidance on how the settlement funds should be dispersed in the future. It was the Board's decision to leave the Task Force as it has been. The information will be brought back to the County Board for future discussion.

**609**th **Zoning Amendment**: Lucas Finley presented the zoning amendments. Adam Day, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to approve the 609th Zoning Amendment. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Resolution 2024-26 Authorizing Tax Anticipation Note in the amount of \$615,000**: Roger Guthrie, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to approve resolution 2024-26 authorizing tax anticipation note in the amount of \$615,000. A roll call vote was taken with fourteen (14) Yes, one (1) no (Scallon), One (1) Absent and one (1) vacancy, therefore motion carried.

**KnowBe4 Training Compliance Policy:** Administrator Dreckman presented the policy. Gary Northouse, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to approve the policy. Motion carried by voice vote.

**ARPA Funding allocations:** Chairman Keeney advised the Board that the ARPA funding needs to be allocated by the end of the year. Chairman Keeney explained the projects that have utilized the ARPA funding so far. Adam Day, second by Gary Northouse made a motion to allocate the remaining balance of the ARPA funds to the Potosi access points, fiber to the Fennimore shop, a three-year contract for

open records program, 2023 audit and the restoration of the BMO bank building. A roll call vote was taken with eleven (11) Yes, four (4) No (Keeney, Mumm, Vosberg and Lucey), one (1) Absent and one (1) vacancy, therefore motion carried.

**Dog Claim(s) Grant County Humane Society:** Roger Guthrie, second by Patrick Schroeder made a motion to approve the payment of \$480 to the Grant County Humane Society. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Committee Reports:** Updates were given for each committee.

**Adjournment:** Joseph Mumm, second by Robert Scallon made a motion to adjourn to January 21, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. Motion carried by voice vote.

Grant County Board of Supervisors
December 27, 2024
Administration Building
111 S. Jefferson Street
Lancaster, WI 53813

The Grant County Board of Supervisors meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by County Board 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 the open meeting law. White verified the meeting was posted at the Grant County Administration Building, Courthouse and on the county website.

Roll Call was taken with fourteen (14) members present in the room: Gary Ranum, Robert Scallon, Robert Keeney, Roger Guthrie, Joseph Mumm, Adam Day, Patrick Schroeder, Rick Sanson, Carol Beals, Diane Nelson, Kathy Kopp, Lester Jantzen, John Beinborn and Mark Vosberg. Gary Northouse asked to be excused. Brian Lucey was absent and there is one vacancy.

**Approval of Agenda**: Roger Guthrie, second by John Beinborn made a motion to approve the agenda. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Approval of Minutes**: Rick Sanson, second by Lester Jantzen made a motion to approve the minutes from the December 10, 2024 meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

Discussion and possible motion to rescind previous motion to allocate the remaining of the ARPA funds to the Potosi access points, fiber to the Fennimore shop, a three-year contract for the open records program, 2023 audit and the restoration of the BMO bank building: Carol Beals second by Gary Ranum made a motion to rescind the motion to allocate the remaining balance of the ARPA funds to the Potosi access points, fiber to the Fennimore shop, a three-year contract for the open records program, 2023 audit and the restoration of the BMO bank building that was made on December 10, 2024. A roll call vote was taken with twelve (12) Yes, two (2) No (Day, Schroeder), one excused, one absent and one vacancy, therefore motion carried.

Discussion and possible action of allocation of ARPA Funds
Purchase of Potosi access points, fiber installation to the Fennimore Highway Shop, 3-year contract for

**Open Records program and 2023 Audit Costs:** Gary Ranum, second by Carol Beals made a motion to allocate ARPA funds for the purchase of the Potosi access points, fiber installation to the Fennimore Highway Shop, 3-year contract for Open Records program and 2023 audit costs. A roll call vote was taken with fourteen (14) Yes, one (1) excused, one (1) absent and one (1) vacancy, therefore motion carried.

Cover the purchase cost of the former BMO Bank property: Carol Beals, second by John Beinborn made a motion to allocate and replenish the general fund to cover the purchase cost of the former BMO property with ARPA funds in the amount of \$405,000. A roll call vote was taken with fourteen (14) Yes, one (1) excused, one (1) absent and one (1) vacancy, therefore motion carried.

Approve commercial offer to purchase on property at 200 Alona Lane: Carol Beals, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to approve the commercial offer to purchase of \$900,000 on the property at 200 Alona Lane using ARPA funds. A roll call vote was taken with twelve (12) Yes, two (2) No (Day, Schroeder), one excused, one absent and one vacancy, therefore motion carried.

**Adjournment:** Roger Guthrie, second by Robert Scallon made a motion to adjourn to January 21, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. Motion carried by voice vote.

Grant County Board of Supervisors
January 21, 2025
Administration Building
111 S. Jefferson Street
Lancaster, WI 53813

The Grant County Board of Supervisors meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by County Board 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 the open meeting law. White verified the meeting was posted at the Grant County Administration Building, Courthouse and on the county website.

Roll Call was taken with fourteen (14) members present in the room: Gary Ranum, Gary Northouse, Robert Keeney, Roger Guthrie, Joseph Mumm, Adam Day, Patrick Schroeder, Rick Sanson, Carol Beals, Diane Nelson, Kathy Kopp, Lester Jantzen, John Beinborn and Mark Vosberg. Robert Scallon and Brian Lucey asked to be excused and there is one vacancy.

**Approval of Agenda:** Roger Guthrie, second by Diane Nelson made a motion to approve the agenda. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Approval of Minutes:** Diane Nelson, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to approve the minutes from the December 27, 2024 meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Communications:** Chairman Keeney reminded the Board that the County Ambassador Program would take place in Madison Thursday. They will be discussing mental health, community support programs and crisis services, circuit court funding, county land and water conservation and general transportation aid LRIP.

There are various companies that are reaching out in support of BEAD Funding. The funding is open until February 25, 2025.

ATC has started the process to upgrade the power lines from Cuba City to AY McDonald.

WCA's Legislative Conference is February 25 and 26. If you are interested contact the County Clerk's Office.

Administrator Dreckman advised the Board he will be attending the County Ambassador program and he has been working on updating policies.

**Appointments:** John Beinborn, second by Patrick Schroeder made a motion to appoint Vicki Hirsch on the ADRC Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

Rick Sanson, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to appoint Kessa Klaas and Craig Reukauf to the Opioid Task Force. Motion carried by voice vote.

John Beinborn, second by Diane Nelson made a motion to approve CeCe Fishnick as the Social Services Director. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Grants:** Gary Northouse, second by Gary Ranum made a motion to approve the Wisconsin Land Information Program. Motion carried by voice vote.

**610**<sup>th</sup> **Zoning Amendment:** Lester Jantzen, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to approve the 610<sup>th</sup> Zoning amendment for Pyramid Oil of America Inc. in the Town of Harrison. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Update on Fiber Optics/Communication Project:** Administrator Dreckman advised that the bid opening for the Cassville tower site. The low bid was selected with Finish Excavating. The start date for the Cassville tower is March, with final completion in July. West and South tower sites are still being worked on.

Shane Drinkwater advised that there are four sites that are nearing completion by RACOM, which means the County can start deploying equipment to the shelters. Once those four sites are completed the loop can be lit.

Roles and Responsibilities in County Government – Transitioning to a County Administrator: Sarah Diedrick-Kasdorf from Wisconsin Counties Association gave a presentation on roles and responsibilities.

**Discussion and possible action on the creation of an Ad-Hoc Committee on County Board Rules:** Carol Beals, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to postpone any discussion on the creation of an Ad-Hoc Committee until the February County Board meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

Dog Claim(s): There were no dog claims.

## **Committee Reports:**

Ag, Extension & Fair: Roger Guthrie gave a report.

ADRC: Kathy Kopp gave a report. CJCC: Gary Ranum gave a report. CSZD: Joseph Mumm gave a report.

Grant County Economic Development: John Beinborn gave a report. Law Enforcement/Emergency Management: Kathy Kopp gave a report.

Executive: Robert Keeney gave a report. Highway: Gary Northouse gave a report. Library: Rick Sanson gave a report.

Orchard Manor: Rick Sanson gave a report.

HHS: Gary Ranum gave a report. SWCAP: Carol Beals gave a report.

Unified Community Services: Carol Beals gave a report.

Veterans: Lester Jantzen gave a report.

**Adjournment:** Patrick Schroeder, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to adjourn to February 18, 2025. Motion carried by voice vote.

Grant County Board of Supervisors
February 18, 2025
Administration Building
111 S. Jefferson Street
Lancaster, WI 53813

The Grant County Board of Supervisors meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by County Board 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 the open meeting law. White verified the meeting was posted at the Grant County Administration Building, Courthouse and on the county website.

Roll Call was taken with fifteen (15) members present in the room: Gary Northouse, Robert Scallon, Robert Keeney, Roger Guthrie, Joseph Mumm, Adam Day, Patrick Schroeder, Rick Sanson, Carol Beals, Diane Nelson, Kathy Kopp, Lester Jantzen, John Beinborn, Mark Vosberg and Brian Lucey. Present virtually one (1) member: Gary Ranum. Chairman Keeney asked the Board to approve Gary Ranum to participate by Zoom per the Board rules. Joseph Mumm, second by Patrick Schroeder made a motion to allow Gary Ranum to participate by Zoom. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Approval of Agenda:** John Beinborn, second by Diane Nelson made a motion to approve the agenda. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Approval of Minutes:** Patrick Schroeder, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 21, 2025 meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Communications:** WCA Legislative Exchange is next week. The Governor will be presenting his budget this evening. There is a citizen from District 13 who may be interested in the vacant position. Forward Analytics has been placed on your desk.

#### **Grants**

**Compeer Financial – County Fair Facility Upgrade Grant:** Amy Olson presented the grant request for \$4,000 with no match. Roger Guthrie, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to approve the Compeer Financial grant application. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Fury Friends Project:** Alesha Erdenberger presented the grant request with no match. John Beinborn, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to approve the Fury Friends Project grant application. Motion carried by voice vote.

**611**<sup>th</sup> **Zoning Amendment:** Joseph Mumm, second by Rick Sanson made a motion to approve the 611<sup>th</sup> Zoning Amendment for Kaleb Pfol in the Town of Paris, Leibold North Properties LLC in the Town of Jamestown and DAS Sanctuary LLC in the Town of Platteville. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Discussion and possible action on amendment to the ATV/UTV Ordinance:** Gary Northouse, second by Lester Jantzen made a motion to approve the amendment to the ATV/UTV Ordinance. Motion carried by voice vote.

ADRC Vacancy and Restructure Plan: Robert Scallon second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to approve the creation of the ADRC Coordinator position. Motion carried by voice vote.

Discussion and possible action on out of budget spending of up to \$30,000 to hire additional assistance for the 2023 audit: Patrick Schroeder, second by Gary Northouse made a motion to use up to \$30,000 to take care of the 2023 audit and move as far in 2024 as possible. A roll call vote was taken with fifteen (15) Yes, one (1) No, and one (1) vacancy. Therefore, motion carried.

Discussion and possible action on out of budget spending for a badge printer: Robert Scallon, second by Kathy Kopp to approve the out of budget spending of \$1,848.51 for the purchase of a badge printer. A roll call vote was taken with sixteen (16) Yes, and one (1) vacancy. Therefore, motion carried.

**Update on Fiber Optics/Communications Project:** Nate Dreckman advised that the punch list on the varies sites is being completed. Cassville site work will start in March. The Dickeyville tower site has been deemed an administrative site and now we will go to the next step of the process to get that turned over to Grant County. RACOM is starting to program the equipment. Shane Drinkwater advised that all but two sites have routers. IT can start adding those sites to the loop. The west site does not have power yet. RACOM is starting to use the fiber loop for redundant dispatch between Lancaster and Platteville.

**Broadband Equity, Access and Deployment (BEAD) Resolutions:** Patrick Schroder, second by Rick Sanson made a motion to approve resolutions 2025-01 and 2025-02 in support of the BEAD project. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Discussion** and possible action on out of budget spending of \$2,500 in attorney fees for agreement development with lowa County: Rick Sanson, second by Robert Scallon made a motion to approve the out of budget spending of \$2,500 in attorney fees for agreement development with lowa County for

Unified board of Grant and Iowa Counties. A roll call vote was taken with sixteen (16) Yes, and one (1) vacancy. Therefore, motion carried.

## **Policy Updates**

**Employee Handbook Introduction:** Roger Guthrie, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to approve the policy. Motion carried by voice vote.

Administrative Manual Section 5.12 Vacancy Replacement and 5.13 Classification Review and New Position Creation: Patrick Schroeder, second by Gary Northouse made a motion to approve the policy. Motion carried by voice vote with two negative votes (Beals and Beinborn).

**Generative Artificial Intelligence (GenAI) Use Policy:** Adam Day, second by Rick Sanson made a motion to approve the policy. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Employee Handbook – Performance Reviews:** Gary Northouse, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to approve the policy. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Employee Handbook – Sick Leave (Section 6)**: Adam Day, second by Brian Lucey made a motion to approve the policy. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Employee Handbook – Mileage Reimbursement and Vehicle Use:** Patrick Schroeder, second by Mark Vosberg made a motion to approve the policy. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Computer Technology Acquisitions and Verification of Security Protocols**: Joseph Mumm, second by Robert Scallon made a motion to approve the policy. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Annual Motor Vehicle License Checks:** Gary Northouse, second by Roger Guthrie made a motion to approve the policy. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Grant County Property and Building Use policy/form:** Adam Day, second by Mark Vosberg made a motion to approve the policy and form. Motion carried by voice vote.

Addition to Grant County 4.15 Procurement Policy – added section 3: Rick Sanson, second by Diane Nelson made a motion to approve the policy. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Cost Allowability for Charges Against Federal Awards:** Adam Day, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to approve the policy. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Elected Official Sick Leave Policy:** Joseph Mumm, second by Brian Lucey made a motion to approve the policy. Motion carried by voice vote with one negative vote (Keeney).

**Vacation – Section 4:** Diane Nelson, second by Adam Day made a motion to approve the policy. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Disclosure and Reporting Suspected Unlawful Conduct:** Patrick Schroeder, second by Rick Sanson made a motion to approve the policy. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Fleet Safety Review Committee:** Adam Day, second by Roger Guthrie made a motion to approve the policy with the word change of deer to the word animals. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Employee Handbook – Section II Promoted or Transferred Employee:** Brian Lucey, second by Mark Vosberg made a motion to approve the policy. Motion carried by voice vote.

Discussion and possible action on the creation of an Ad-Hoc Committee on County Board Rules: Adam Day, second by Patrick Schroeder made a motion to have the Executive Committee work on the Board Rules and present to the County Board at a future meeting. Motion carried by voice vote with three negative votes (Beals, Beinborn and Jantzen).

**Dog Claim(s) Grant County Humane Society:** Roger Guthrie, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to approve the payment of \$320 to the Grant County Humane Society. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Committee Reports:** Roger Guthrie, second by Lester Jantzen made a motion to forego committee reports. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Adjournment:** Adam Day, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to adjourn until March 18, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. Motion carried by voice vote.

Grant County Board of Supervisors
March 18, 2025
Administration Building
111 S. Jefferson Street
Lancaster, WI 53813

The Grant County Board of Supervisors meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by County Board 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 the open meeting law. White verified the meeting was posted in the Administration Building, Courthouse and on the county website.

Roll Call was taken with fifteen members present: Gary Ranum, Gary Northouse, Robert Scallon, Robert Keeney, Roger Guthrie, Joseph Mumm, Adam Day, Rick Sanson, Carol Beals, Diane Nelson, Kathy Kopp, Lester Jantzen, John Beinborn, Mark Vosberg and Brian Lucey. Patrick Schroeder asked to be excused and there is one vacancy.

**Approval of Agenda:** Kathy Kopp, second by Diane Nelson made a motion to approve the agenda. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Approval of Minutes:** Roger Guthrie, second by Lester Jantzen made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 18, 2025 meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Communications:** WCA is still open to ideas for breakout sessions for the fall conference. At the WCA Board of Directors meeting the topics were tax proceeds, ACT 235 and the GOAT committee. Forward Analytics is continuing to update the website as an interactive site. WCA has negotiated with Amazon a

county government code that will bring all departments under one code to give the County Amazon Prime.

The Administrator sent a link for a budget questionnaire to all County Board Supervisors. He would like input from the Board on thoughts for the 2026 budget. All Supervisors need to provide a copy of their insurance card and driver's license to Human Resources.

Action to fill vacancy of County Board District 13 Supervisor: John Beinborn, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to appoint Roger Lange as County Board District 13 Supervisor. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Appointments:** There were no appointments.

**Grants:** Chief Debra Reukauf presented the Wisconsin Law Foundation, Teen Court Grant. Robert Scallon, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to approve the Wisconsin Law Foundation grant in the amount of \$1,650. Motion carried by voice vote.

**612**<sup>th</sup> **Zoning Amendment:** Adam Day, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to approve the 612<sup>th</sup> Zoning Amendment for Kohlenberg Storage LLC in the Town of Fennimore and Mick Curran in the Town of Liberty. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Resolution 2025-03 In Memoriam for Sidney Fischer:** Chairman Keeney read the memoriam for Sidney Fischer.

# RESOLUTION #2025-03 IN MEMORIAM OF SIDNEY FISCHER

The Grant County Board of Supervisors, assembled this 18<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2025 issues the following commemoration:

WHEREAS, the death of Sidney Fischer from the Town of Beetown, Grant County, Wisconsin has come to the attention of this body; and

WHEREAS, Sidney Fischer served on the Grant County Board of Supervisors from April 1982 to April 1988 representing the Town of Beetown, Town of South Lancaster and City of Lancaster, Ward 4;

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 Sidney Fischer 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/ Tonya White, Grant County Clerk

Rick Sanson, second by Gary Northouse made a motion to approve resolution 2025-03 in Memoriam for Sidney Fischer. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Update on Fiber Optics/Communications Project:** The Cassville tower site foundation has been poured. Coordination with the State of Wisconsin continues on the south tower site. IT is striving to meet the goal of one tower site and shelter per week so the fiber optic loop can be lite up next month. A temporary network rack was delivered to the Cassville Fire station so equipment can be placed before the shelter is there.

## **Policy Updates**

**Weighted Overtime Rules**: Roger Guthrie, second by Adam Day made a motion to approve the Weighted Overtime Rules policy. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Grievance Procedure Policy:** Gary Northouse, second by Adam Day made a motion to approve the Grievance Procedure Policy. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Workers Compensation Policy and Return to Work:** John Beinborn, second by Rick Sanson made a motion to approve the Workers Compensation Policy. Motion carried by voice vote.

Discussion and possible action to revoke the Grant County Humane Society as the County's pound pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 174.09(2): Adam Day, second by John Beinborn made a motion to revoke the Grant County Humane Society as the Grant County pound. Motion carried by voice vote.

Discussion and possible action to retain and enter into a joint defense agreement with Attoles Law to assist with the lawsuit filed in Waukesha County against all 72 counties: Gary Ranum, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to enter into a joint defense agreement with Attoles Law. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Committee Reports:** Ag & Extension - Roger Guthrie gave a report.

ADRC – Kathy Kopp gave a report.

CJCC – Gary Ranum gave a report.

CSZD – Joseph Mumm gave a report.

DMATS – Brian Lucey advised there was nothing to report.

Hidden Valley – Robert Scallon gave a report.

Railroad – Robert Scallon gave a report.

Economic Development – John Beinborn gave a report.

Law Enforcement/Emergency Management – Kathy Kopp gave a report.

Executive – Robert Keeney gave a report.

Highway – Gary Northouse gave a report.

Library – Rick Sanson gave a report.

Orchard Manor – Rick Sanson gave a report.

HHS – Gary Ranum advised there was nothing to report.

SWCAP – Carol Beals gave a report.

Veterans – Lester Jantzen gave a report.

Unified – Carol Beals advised there was nothing to report.

**Adjournment:** Robert Scallon, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to adjourn to April 15, 2025. Motion carried by voice vote.