

## GRANT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

**October 5, 2010**

The Grant County Board of Supervisors met on Tuesday, October 5, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in Room 264 of the Administration Building, Lancaster, WI pursuant to the adjournment of the September 21, 2010 meeting.

Chair John Patcle called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Verification of compliance with the open meeting law was a notice in the Herald Independent stating the date, time and place of the County Board Meeting. Ivan Farness, seconded by Larry Wolf moved that the meeting is in compliance with the open meeting law. Motion carried.

### INSERT #1: ROLL CALL, October 5, 2010

	Present	Absent	Excused
1. Stephen Adrian	X		
2. Carol Beals	X		
3. John Beinborn	X		
4. Ivan Farness	X		
5. Lester Jantzen	X		
6. Robert Keeney	X		
7. Vern Lewison	X		
8. Vincent Loeffelholz	X		
9. Grant Loy	X		
10. Dwight Nelson	X		
11. John Patcle	X		
12. Margaret Ruf	X		
13. Robert Scallon	X		
14. Patrick Schroeder	X		
15. Donald Splinter	X		
16. Mark Stead	X		
17. Larry Wolf	X		

The Clerk took the roll call resulting in 17 present, 0 absent.

Robert Keeney, seconded by Stephen Adrian, made a motion to approve the previous agenda that was sent out in the packets and not the amended agenda that had Line 15 added from the previous day, (15. Request to borrow from General Fund for the New Exhibit Hall). After discussion, a roll call vote was called. Yes meaning to approve the previous agenda, No meaning to not approve the previous agenda.

QUESTION: Approval of previous agenda.

	YES	NO	ABSENT
1. IVAN FARNNESS	X		
2. GRANT LOY	X		

3. ROBERT SCALLON		X
4. ROBERT KEENEY	X	
5. STEPHEN ADRIAN	X	
6. JOHN PATCLE		X
7. VERN LEWISON		X
8. PATRICK SCHROEDER	X	
9. LARRY WOLF		X
10. MARK STEAD		X
11. MARGARET RUF		X
12. DWIGHT NELSON	X	
13. CAROL BEALS		X
14. LESTER JANTZEN	X	
15. JOHN BEINBORN		X
16. DONALD SPLINTER		X
17. VINCENT LOEFFELHOLZ	X	

Clerk counted the votes resulting in 8 YES, 9 NO, 0 ABSENT. Therefore motion failed.

Margaret Ruf, seconded by Carol Beals, made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Motion carried.

John Beinborn, seconded by Vern Lewison, made a motion to approve the minutes of September 21, 2010. Motion carried.

Brownfields Coalition Assessment Grant: Amy Seeboth, Transportation Planning Program Manager, Southwestern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission, was present to explain what this grant would mean to Grant County. There are many abandon parcels of land in our surrounding area that are off the tax rolls because they are unsellable, and should be put back into production. The Southwestern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission in partnership with Southwest Community Action Program would like to make an application to the US Environmental Protection Program for assistance in the identification and clean-up of these contaminated sites, called brownfields. Once identified, these brownfield sites then become eligible for numerous other federal and state funds for cleanup. No match to the County, we can opt to quite this program at any time. Margaret Ruf, seconded by Lester Jantzen, made a motion to authorize Southwestern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission to act on the behalf of Grant County to: submit a coalition application to the United States Environmental Protection Agency for financial aid for Brownfield Assessment Grant purposes, sign documents, and take necessary action to undertake, direct, and complete approved grant activities. Motion carried.

### **Resolution of Grant County #10-10**

A RESOLUTION authorizing the submittal of a 2011 EPA Brownfields Coalition Assessment Grant application on behalf of Grant County in conjunction with co-applicant counties of Southwestern Wisconsin and Southwestern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission.

WHEREAS, Grant County recognizes that the remediation and redevelopment of brownfields is an important part of protecting Grant County's resources; and

WHEREAS, in this action the County Board has declared its intent to complete the EPA Brownfield Assessment Grant activities described in the application if awarded funds; and

WHEREAS, Grant County recognizes Southwestern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission as lead applicant in this effort and therefore responsible for grant administration, including financial and performance reporting.

IT IS, THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT:

The Grant County requests funds and assistance available from the United States Environmental Protection Agency under the Brownfield Coalition Assessment Grant Program and will comply with federal rules for the program; and

HEREBY AUTHORIZES the Southwestern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission to act on the behalf of Grant County to: submit a coalition application to the United States Environmental Protection Agency for financial aid for Brownfield Assessment Grant purposes, sign documents, and take necessary action to undertake, direct, and complete approved grant activities.

Adopted this 5th day of October, 2010

By a vote of: 17 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstain.

/s/ John Patcle, County Board Chair

/s/ Linda K. Gebhard, County Clerk

Communications: None

Appointments: None

Employee Recognition: None

Drug Treatment Court: Neal Blackburn, Unified Director, and Mike Fernett were present to give an update of the Drug Treatment Court Program which started in February of 2010. They feel the program along with the Judges has been a success. It has cut down on the jail time which helps the expense on the Sheriff Department. This pilot program has 13 participants at this time, all OWI offenders. The program has helped the offenders by keeping them on track and going forward in their lives. The program allows these offenders to maintain their jobs and fulfill their duties at home as fathers, husbands, etc. To help offset the expense of the program, there is a sliding fee scale, each offender paying a fee based on their incomes. The County allotted the program \$25,000.00 at the start of which \$19,048.27 has been used for equipment, wages and miscellaneous office supplies. Neal Blackburn and Mike Fernett feel this program has been a success and hope that the County will continue to support this program in the future.

Sheriff Web Site Demo: Sheriff Govier and the Sheriff Department gave the Board a preview of the new Web Site that has been put together with the help of Jim Winkler and Lukas Schwendinger. The site is not out on the web yet; it will have to be implemented in the County system by our IT Department. The Web Site will have the information about the Sheriff Department including, road conditions for Grant County, 911 use, Sheriff actions such as Sheriff sales, jail information from visitation times, names of inmates to rules for inmates and visitors. The web site includes information regarding the Sheriff Department programs including DARE, the Canine unit, Dive Team, and Crisis Response Team. The site includes a history of the Grant County Sheriff Department through the years, employee information, and

contact information. There has been no cost to the Sheriff Department to implement this new web site; the work completed by Jim Winkler and Lukas Schwendinger has been donated. Their only request is to add their business logo, LBJ Computer, at the bottom of the web site.

Grants: Jack Johnson, Chief Deputy Sheriff requested the approval of a grant from Triple A for \$1,445.00 for collapsible traffic cones. No match to the county. Patrick Schroeder, seconded by Mark Stead made a motion to approve this grant for the Sheriff Department. Motion carried.

Gayle Mason, ADRC Director requested the MIPPA grant. It is a grant to assist low income clients with applications for special help. The grant will cover marketing to these target groups and both the Disability Benefit Specialist and the Elderly Benefit Specialist will work with the grant. There is no county match required. Staff is expected to report monthly on numbers of clients and marketing and outreach. The Grant is an 18 month grant for up to \$11,600.00. Lester Jantzen, seconded by John Beinborn, made a motion to approve this grant for ADRC. Motion carried.

Budget 2011: Patrick Schroeder, seconded by Don Splinter, made a motion to refer the 2011 Budget back to the Executive Committee to come up with the final cuts to balance the budget. Discussion followed the motion as to how realistic were some of the budgets at the request by the County to come in with a zero increase. Margaret Ruf speaking for the Health Department wanted to go on record that she felt that budget was realistic in spite of the cuts that were made and Don Splinter felt the same of the budgets that he approved for the Departments he represented. Therefore, motion carried.

Request to borrow from the General Fund: Robert Keeney, seconded by Stephen Adrian, made the following motion:

- To approve the borrowing of \$435,000.00 from the General Fund to build the new exhibit building with new bathroom facilities included until the donated money could be used.
- To approve the acceptance of the donation of \$150,000.00 from the Eckstein Charitable Trust, with \$30,000.00 being donated at ground breaking and \$30,000.00 per year for the next 4 years. The balance of the expense for building the exhibit building will be paid back through fund raisers/donations and fair proceeds.
- To approve the intent to go ahead and begin planning and construction on the new exhibit building at the Grant County Fair grounds.

Discussion followed motion; it was asked if this motion could contain the statement that this project could not be paid for out of the County tax levy dollars or that there could be no raise in the taxes to pay for this project. Corporation Counsel, JoAnn Millhouse did not think that would be an acceptable statement. Some of the board wondered if this project could not be postponed for a couple years until the money was raised, Eckstein Charitable Fund money would only be available for this year to use. A roll call vote was called. Yes to approve borrowing from General Fund, No to deny.

	YES	NO	ABSENT
1. IVAN FARNESS	X		
2. GRANT LOY	X		
3. ROBERT SCALLON		X	
4. ROBERT KEENEY	X		
5. STEPHEN ADRIAN	X		

6. JOHN PATCLE	X	
7. VERN LEWISON		X
8. PATRICK SCHROEDER	X	
9. LARRY WOLF		X
10. MARK STEAD	X	
11. MARGARET RUF		X
12. DWIGHT NELSON	X	
13. CAROL BEALS		X
14. LESTER JANTZEN	X	
15. JOHN BEINBORN		X
16. DONALD SPLINTER		X
17. VINCENT LOEFFELHOLZ	X	

Vote resulted in 10 yes, 7 no. Therefore motion passed.

Presentations: Betsy Olson, 4H Youth Development Agent and Cathy McPhail, Youth Educator, gave a presentation of the 4H program at the Extension Office. As Grant County changes the 4H program responds to those changes. Some of the most important changes affecting the 4H program now are economic changes, increased oversight and increased expectations of youth. With the economy and both parents working outside the home and the small farm is being faded out to larger farm facilities; this has opened up the 4H to not only agriculture based youth but now to the youth who have grown up in the cities. The youth of today also have the challenge of finding enough time in their schedule to achieve all that they want out of the 4H program. Today other interests such as sports, music, dance, etc., is keeping the youth of today very busy. The 4H program offers 5890 projects for youth to select from including computers, legos, dioramas, geospatial, communications, scrapbooking, entrepreneurship and workforce readiness. So besides offering the basic agricultural and family readiness programs the leaders are offering training and resources in the more current life style. In the past year the 4H program has certified 27 new leaders of 229 leaders currently serving our youth. The more adults involved in the program the more youth involved.

Livestock Claims: Stephen Adrian presented two Animal Damage Claims that were submitted by the Town of North Lancaster, Roger Kreul, 12035 Rogers Rd, Fennimore, WI 53809 for 2 pure bred calves killed by dogs. The claims were reviewed by the Ag and Extension committee and recommended to come before the full county board. The claims were dated on August 8, 2010 for \$500.00 and August 21, 2010 for \$500.00. Vince Loeffelholz, seconded by Patrick Schroeder, made a motion to approve the payment of \$500.00 payable to Roger Kreul, (50% per 2 claims) for animal damages. Motion carried.

Committee Reports: John Beinborn reported to the Board that the Economic, Tourism and Resource Committee approved the project to allow Jeff Anderson, IT Department Director, to contact the company of CGI and sign the contract to make a video of the county to publish out on the internet. No cost to the county, the project will be paid for by sponsorships of local businesses.

Margaret Ruf reported on upcoming Health Department issues.

Ivan Farness reported on the Wyalusing boat landing project.

Robert Scallon reported on the Wisconsin River Rail Transit Commission.

Patrick Schroeder reported on Orchard Manor negotiations for hail damage.

Vince Loeffelholz reported on Land and Water Conservation.

Public Comments: None

Adjournment: John Beinborn, seconded by Grant Loy, made a motion to adjourn the meeting to November 9, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. Motion carried.