

GRANT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

December 20, 2011

The Grant County Board of Supervisors met on Tuesday, December 20, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 264 of the Administration Building, Second Floor in Lancaster, WI pursuant to the adjournment of the November 8, 2011 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 and posted in two public posting locations verified by Linda Gebhard, County Clerk.

INSERT #1: ROLL CALL, December 20, 2011

	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 16 present, 1 excused. Therefore a quorum was present.

Vince Loeffelholz, seconded by John Beinborn, made a motion to approve the agenda with the change of moving items 19 & 20 regarding the closed session below item 24 Livestock Claims. Motion carried with changes.

Patrick Schroeder, seconded by Ivan Farness, made a motion to approve the minutes of November 8, 2011. Motion carried.

Memoriam: John Patcle, Chair read the memoriam honoring Douglas Steinback, Sr of Platteville, WI for his service of the County Board of Supervisors. Mark Stead, seconded by Lester Jantzen, made a motion to approve the memoriam to be presented to the family of Douglas Steinback, Sr. Motion carried.

Employee Recognition: James Kopp of the Sheriff Office was to receive a certificate for his service to Grant County, but was not present.

Communications: John Patcle, Chair thanked Patrick Schroeder for furnishing milk and assorted candies and Stephen Adrian for furnishing cookies for the County Board of Supervisors during the meeting. He wished all a Merry Christmas.

Margaret Ruf announced to the Board that Dave Lambert's mother had passed away and a card was being passed around to all the Board Members to sign.

Revolving Loan: Ron Brisbois, Economic Development, presented two Revolving Loan applications as follows. Both loans have been approved by their committees:

1. Schurman's Wisconsin Cheese Country Inc., Beetown, WI location—Loan amount \$36,000, rate 3%, term 7 years. Will use loan to purchase new cheese cutting and wrapping equipment. The total Project will cost \$100,000. Retention of 24 workers.
The new equipment will allow the company to be more efficient with their cheese packaging operations. Collateral: Personal Guarantee from Lorraine Schurman and Jim Morgan.
2. Kraemer's Water Store/Knappers Water Store – Lancaster, WI—Loan \$20,000, rate 3%, term 7 years. Create 3 new full time jobs and retain 12. The loan will be used to purchase new equipment for the Knappers Water Store which is being purchased by Mark Kraemer of Kraemer's Water Store. Mark Kraemer has 37 years in the water treatment and sales business. The total project will cost approximately \$500,000. Collateral: Personal Guarantee on mortgage lien on property in Richland Center or equipment.

John Beinborn, seconded by Vince Loeffelholz made a motion to approve the Schurman's Wisconsin Cheese Country Inc. revolving loan for \$36,000. Motion carried

Dwight Nelson, seconded by Ivan Farness made a motion to approve the Kraemer's Water Store/Knapper Water Store, Lancaster, WI revolving loan for \$20,000. Motion carried.

Grant: Jeff Kindrai, Health Department Director was present to ask permission to apply for the DOT Grant for funding to promote injury prevention in children by purchasing and distributing free or low cost child passage safety seats to low income families through the WIC program. Grant amount is for \$2500.00, amount of County match for \$375.00 which is already allotted in the Health Department budget or \$250.00 in kind match. Ivan Farness, seconded by Margaret Ruf, made a motion to approve this request. Motion carried.

Health Department Rabies Expense Reimbursement: Jeff Kindrai, Health Department Director requested that the Board consider a reimbursement to the Health Department from the Dog Claim Account for a rabies series test that had not been completely paid by the owner of service dog on a dog bite claim. Margaret Ruf, seconded by Larry Wolf, made a motion to reimburse the amount of \$225.66 back to the Health Department from the Dog Claim Account. Motion carried.

Revise Smoking Ordinance: Revision of Ordinance #48 (July 19, 2005)

John Beinborn, seconded by Lester Jantzen, made a motion to approve the revision of the wording so the Grant County Smoking Ordinance complies with State mandates. Motion carried with 2 nay votes.

ORDINANCE NO. 63

AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL AND RECREATE SECTION 231-1 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF GRANT COUNTY, WISCONSIN, RELATING TO SMOKING.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF GRANT COUNTY, WISCONSIN, DO HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section I: Section 231-1 of the Code of Ordinances is hereby repealed and recreated to read as follows:

“231-1” Smoking and Nonsmoking Areas.

No person shall smoke or carry a lighted cigarette, cigar, pipe or any other lighted smoking equipment in any vehicles or buildings owned or leased by Grant County. The nonsmoking area is to also include an area consisting of the immediate 25 feet outside Grant County building entrances and Grant County building ventilation system air intakes. Other nonsmoking areas may be posted where a potential risk of explosion or fire exists. If County owned or leased property boundaries do not allow for the twenty-five foot entrance outside requirement, then the actual footage available will apply.”

Section II: This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication or posting as required by law.

Adopted and approved this 20th day of December, 2011.

/s/ John Patcle, Chairman

/s/ Linda Gebhard, County Clerk

ATTESTED: Linda Gebhard, County Clerk

Date Adopted: December 20, 2011

Date Recorded: December 28, 2011

Date Published: December 28, 2011

Effective Date: December 28, 2011

Resolution to Protect Land Conservation Staffing Grants:

**RESOLUTION 48-10
GRANT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

WHEREAS, County Land and Water Resource Management Plans were added to Chapter 92 State Statutes in 1997 as a new method of addressing nonpoint pollution and other land conservation efforts in Wisconsin; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 92.16(6)(b) Wis. Statutes, the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection shall attempt to provide funding for an average of 3 staff persons per county, with an average of \$100,000 per county for cost-sharing grants; and,

WHEREAS, the Soil and Water Resource Management program is currently approximately \$4 million short of meeting its statutory staffing grant goal; and,

WHEREAS, County Land Conservation staff supported by state grants have consistently decreased since the program began, from 219 in 1997 to 97 in 2012, under the 2011-2013 biennial budget and corresponding agency lapse proposal; and,

WHEREAS, the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection proposes to further reduce soil and water general purpose revenue funds, which are used for staffing of county conservation departments by 29 percent, resulting in a statewide reduction of \$1,100,400; and,

WHEREAS, this comes in addition to the \$1 million in cuts already approved in the 2011-2013 biennial budget; and,

WHEREAS, County Land Conservation staff play a critical role to our state's economy by assisting landowners obtain state and federal funds to help pay for their operations and the proposed cuts will therefore have a rippling negative impact on our county's citizens;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Grant County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this 20th day of December, 2011 does hereby urge the Governor of the State of Wisconsin and all elected representatives in the Wisconsin State Legislature to reject further cuts to county land conservation staffing grants, recognizing the invaluable service that county conservation employees provide in managing and protecting the county's natural resources.

/s/ John Patcle, County Board Chair

/s/ Linda K Gebhard, County Clerk

ATTEST: I Linda K. Gebhard, Grant County Clerk, do certify that this resolution was adopted by the Grant County Board of Supervisors at a meeting held on December 20, 2011.

/s/ Linda K. Gebhard, County Clerk

Don Splinter, seconded by Mark Stead made a motion to approve the Resolution to protect Land Conservation Staffing Grants. Motion carried (Vote of Board: 16 Approve, 0 Opposed, 1 Absent).

Resolution Carryover of Certain Accounts: Ivan Farness, seconded by Patrick Schroeder, made a motion to approve the Resolution Regarding the Carryover of Certain Accounts. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION # 49-10
CARRYOVER OF CERTAIN ACCOUNTS

WHEREAS, certain departments desire to carry over revenues or unused levy dollars from the 2011 budget for use in 2012 in an amount to be determined upon closing the 2011 books; and

WHEREAS, the use of certain revenues is limited by externally enforceable constraints; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Committee has reviewed these requests as required by the Grant County Carryover Funds Policy dated January 20, 2009,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following unspent revenues and appropriations shall be committed for the purpose shown and carried forward to 2012:

Department	Carryover	Purpose
County Clerk	Public Property –Courthouse/Admin Bldg	Major maintenance/improvement projects as needed
County Clerk	Property & Liability – Legal Fees	Contingency to cover \$5,000

		deductible on any lawsuits
County Clerk	Property & Liability Insurance	Future cost overruns
County Clerk	Employee Benefits	Reimburse employee co-pays and pay administrative fees for health and dependent care flex accounts
County Clerk	Equipment (Public Property)	Complete 2011 projects and fund unanticipated needs
County Clerk	River Access	Major maintenance/improvement projects as needed
Veterans	Veterans Relief	Supplement budget for assistance to needy veterans and dependents as provided in Wis. Ss. 45.85
Information Technology	Hardware/Software	Complete 2011 projects and fund unanticipated needs
Sheriff	Drug Investigation	Purchase illegal narcotics and/or fund undercover officers in drug-related cases
Sheriff	Vehicles	Purchase squad cars
Sheriff	Patrol Equipment	Fund training and equipment for part-time patrol members
Sheriff	Out-of-County Prisoners	Cost overruns to house prisoners out-of-county in event jail becomes overcrowded
Sheriff	Boat (county funds)	Supplement appropriation for continuing expenses of rescue boat
Sheriff	Communications	Upgrade radio system
Sheriff	Computer	Upgrade computer system
Emergency Management	Insurance Claims	Insurance recoveries to be used for maintenance and storage space for trailers and other equipment
Emergency Management	Surplus Equipment	Proceeds from sale of surplus equipment to be used for replacement and maintenance of emergency response equipment obtained from federal surplus programs.
UW-Extension	County Agent	Program fees committed to supporting programs conducted by County Extension faculty and Lafayette County subcontracting fee committed to department operating expenses.
UW-Extension	Manure Tech	Administrative fees from management of Manure Expo, committed to administrative expenses of 2012 North American Manure Expo
Land Conservation	County Cost Sharing	Continue 2011 cost sharing contracts
Land Conservation	Tree Program	Supplement ongoing program
Land Conservation	Vehicle Fund	Fund new vehicles as need arises
Land Conservation	Computer Fund	Fund computers and office equipment as need arises
Land Conservation	NRCS Tech-Pro	Allocated for 2012 cost sharing
Fair	Fair	Buildings/improvements
Fair	Livestock Barn	Building improvements

Health	Loan Closet	Replace/clean/purchase new medical equipment to loan out (self-funded)
Health	Home Nursing	Budgeted for 2012 and future use to reduce levy required
Health	Hospice	Maintain reserve for potential losses and fund future capital project
Health	Dental Health	Fund dental health services for those without means per agreement with In-Health Clinic in exchange for donated equipment.
Social Services	Alternate Care	Maintain reserve for unpredictability of out-of-home care usage.
Social Services	Joint Secure Detention	Fund secure detention costs
Social Services	W-2 Incentive Funds	Fund W-2 program needs and W-2 benefit cost overruns per Grant County Resolution #23/98

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following unspent revenues and appropriations and any other externally restricted unexpended revenues shall be carried forward from 2011 to 2012 as the restrictions permit:

Department	Carryover	Restriction
County Clerk	Government Accountability Funded Activities	State funds for programming or purchases outside of normal election expenses.
County Clerk	Wyalusing Boat Landing Project	State grant and county matching funds
County Clerk	Fountain Repair	Donations and \$10,000 allocated by Public Property from 2009 budget for repair of "Blue Boy" statue
County Clerk	Fish & Game	State funds for future conservation projects
Register of Deeds	County Land Information Expenses	Land records modernization (Wis. Stat. 59.72(5))
Register of Deeds	State of WI Grant	Wisconsin Land Information Association grant funds for land records projects
Register of Deeds	Web Site Revenue	Maintenance and related costs for county's GCS web portal
Register of Deeds	SSN Redaction	Fees statutorily designated for redaction of social security numbers from records per Wisconsin Act 314
Register of Deeds	Public Access	Online access to real estate records (Wis. Stat. 59.72(5))
Veterans	Veterans Officer Grant	Non-supplanting Veterans Affairs grant (Wis. Stat. 45.82(1))
Sheriff	Training	State funding for education/training to maintain deputies' certifications
Sheriff	Canine (donations)	Donated funds for purchase of new K-9
Sheriff	Fresh Start	Fee funded program, county is fiscal agent
Sheriff	Youth Leadership	Fee funded program, county is fiscal

		agent
Sheriff	Jail Assessment Surcharge	Statutorily restricted (Wis. Stat. 302.46(2)) for jail maintenance and improvements
Boat (Donations & Grants)	Boat (Donations & Grants)	Donated funds for continuing expenses of rescue boat
Emergency Management	EMPG	Federal funding for emergency management
Emergency Management	EPCRA	State funds for Local Emergency Planning Committee, used for staff costs
Resources	Snowmobile	Balance of 2011/2012 state funding for snowmobile trails
Resources	Fish and wildlife grant	State funds for conservation projects
UW-Extension	Get Active Grant	Federal education funds restricted to nutrition and health lifestyle education programs and promotion.
UW-Extension	Farm Progress	Restricted 1999 Farm Technology Days fund, interest funds scholarships to Grant County Students
UW-Extension	EPA Pesticide	Program fees restricted to mandated pesticide applicator training.
UW-Extension	SW Youth Survey	Grant and coalition funds restricted to administering SW Youth Survey, presentations of data, and production/distribution of newsletters.
UW-Extension	Latino Training	State Extension funds restricted to Latino education and training programs.
UW-Extension	Community Partner Advisory Group	State Extension funds restricted to support of Grant County Extension advisory groups.
UW-Extension	Dairy Modernization	Agricultural industry contributed funds restricted to administrative expenses and programs of the Southwest Wisconsin Regional Dairy Modernization Task Force.
Land Conservation	SWRM Admin	Restricted DATCP funds
Land Conservation	SWRM Training	Restricted DATCP funds
Fair	Eckstein Building	Donations for exhibit hall
Health	Rural safety	Donations for annual program
Health	Women, Infants and Children (WIC)	State/federal funds
Health	Immunization	State/federal funds
Health	Environmental Health	Pooled multi-county funds and state/federal funds
Health	Maternal & Child Health	State/federal funds
Health	Lead	Pooled multi-county funds and state/federal funds
Health	Radon	Pooled multi-county funds and state/federal funds
Health	Hospice donations	Donations
Health	Tobacco	State/federal funds
Health	Education	Donations and federal funds
Health	Wisconsin Well Woman	State/federal funds

Health	Bioterrorism	State/federal funds
Health	Drug-Free Community	Federal funds
Health	Drug-Free Coalition	State/federal funds
Health	STOP grant	Federal funds
Health	Riverway Community of Hope	Federal funds
Social Services	Personal care	Restricted to similar services as generated funds
Social Services	Community Option Program (COP) Risk Reserve	State funds for COP type services only
Aging and Disability Resource Center	Vehicle Trust	DOT funds for 85.21 and 53.11/53.10 transportation services

Recommended this 13th day of December, 2011 by the Executive Committee of the Grant County Board of Supervisors.

Passed this 20th day of December, 2011 by the County Board of Supervisors.

/s/ Robert Keeney, Chair

/s/ John Patcle

/s/ Mark Stead

/s/ Larry Wolf

/s/ Ivan Farness

/s/ Stephen Adrian

/s/ Pat Schroeder

ATTEST:

I, Linda Gebhard, Grant County Clerk, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Grant County Board of Supervisors on this 20th day of December, 2011.

/s/Linda Gebhard, County Clerk

2% Raise of Union Employees: Grant County and AFSCME Unions Local 918, 3377, and 3377A reached a tentative approval of a 2% wage increase effective January 1, 2012 with a fiscal impact of approximately \$158,600. Patrick Schroeder, seconded by Stephen Adrian, made a motion to approve this raise for the Union Employees effective January 1, 2012. Roll Call Vote was called.

ROLL CALL VOTE

DATE: December 20, 2011

QUESTION: 2% Raises for Union Employees

	YES	NO	ABSENT
1. IVAN FARNES	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 took roll call vote resulting in 16 yes and 1 absent. Therefore motion carried.

Administrative Coordinator: The Executive Committee designated Nancy Scott, Finance Director, as the temporary Administrative Coordinator until April of 2012 when the new board is sworn into office. Robert Scallon, seconded by Vince Loeffelholz, made a motion to approve this decision. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 50-10
Designating County Finance Director as Administrative Coordinator
with Limited Authority

WHEREAS, Wis. Stat. § 59.19 provides that “[i]n any county which has not created the office of county executive or county administrator, the board shall designate . . . an elected or appointed official to serve as administrative coordinator of the county;” and

WHEREAS, Grant County Resolution No. 15-86 provides that the County Board Chairperson of Grant County is automatically designated the Administrative Coordinator of Grant County for purposes of complying with Wis. Stat. § 59.19; and

WHEREAS, on October 27, 2011, the Attorney General issued a formal opinion wherein he opines that the office of county board supervisor is legally incompatible with the position of county administrative coordinator; and

WHEREAS, the Attorney General concluded, in his October 27, 2011, opinion that “a sitting member of the county board must first resign the office of county supervisor before being appointed to the permanent position of county administrative coordinator under s. 59.19;” and

WHEREAS, the Attorney General’s opinion is not binding precedent and does not have the force of law; and

WHEREAS, at least 18 other Wisconsin counties currently designate their county board chairperson as the county administrative coordinator; and

WHEREAS, even though the Attorney General’s opinion is not binding, Grant County nonetheless desires to comply with the Attorney General’s opinion and eliminate any questions surrounding the validity of Grant County’s resolution designating the County Board Chairperson as Administrative Coordinator; and

WHEREAS, the County's Board Chairperson has consulted with legal counsel for the Wisconsin Counties Association and Grant County's Corporation Counsel with respect to the appropriate manner in which to bring Grant County into compliance with the Attorney General's opinion; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of this Resolution to rescind Resolution No. 15-86 in its entirety and provide for the designation of the Grant County Finance Director as the Grant County Administrative Coordinator; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution is not intended to change the County Board Chairperson's job description or salary in any fashion;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Grant County Board of Supervisors, that:

1. Grant County does hereby rescind Resolution No. 15-86 in its entirety and such resolution shall have no further force or effect.
2. By virtue of this Resolution, the Grant County Board Chairperson is hereby no longer the County Administrative Coordinator.
3. The Grant County Finance Director is hereby designated as the County Administrative Coordinator pursuant to, and consistent with, Wis. Stat. § 59.19.
4. No administrative order of the Administrative Coordinator shall be effective unless the proposed order has been submitted for review by the county board executive committee. If the executive committee does not object to the proposed order within 30 days, the order may be issued. If the executive committee objects by adopting a motion to prohibit issuance of the order, the executive committee report shall be referred to the next county board meeting for action by the full county board. If the full county board sustains the action of the executive committee, the proposed order may not be issued. If the full county board adversely disposes of the executive committee action, the proposed order may be issued.
5. The Grant County Board Chairperson's job description and salary shall remain unchanged and subject to revision only in a manner consistent with state statute, Grant County Ordinances, Grant County Board Rules and Grant County Policy.
6. The Grant County Finance Director's job description and salary shall remain unchanged and subject to revision only in a manner consistent with county policy.

Recommended for passage on this 20th day of December, 2011, by the Administrative Committee of the Grant County Board of Supervisors.

/s/ John Patcle, Chair
/s/ Mark Stead, Vice Chair
/s/ Ivan Farness
/s/ Vincent Loeffelholz

/s/ Robert Keeney, Secretary
/s/ Larry Wolf
/s/ Robert Scallon

Attest: I, Linda Gebhard, Grant County Clerk, do certify that this resolution was adopted by the Grant County Board of Supervisors on December 20, 2011. /s/ Linda K. Gebhard, County Clerk

On Call Maintenance Policy and funding: The Executive Committee has recommended to the County Board to approve the Maintenance Department On Call Policy with an approximate fiscal cost of \$3080,

which will be absorbed in the budget if at all possible. The policy will include the Highway Department, Extension, Sheriff, Administration Building and Courthouse. The maintenance staff will alternate being on call for 1 week at a time for an additional \$70.00 per week. This policy will address the efficiency needs that need to be set into place and take the responsibility off of one person. Vince Loeffelholz, seconded by Margaret Ruf, made a motion to approve this policy for the Maintenance Department. Motion carried.

Feasibility Study 52 Building: John Patcle, Chair, updated the Board on the feasibility study for the 52 Building. MSA Engineering Company has been awarded the bid at \$23,350.00 paid out of the general paid. The Company has been talking to the Department Heads in moving forward to establish the building and department needs. February 14th is the scheduled time that MSA will address the County Board with their recommendation.

Zoning Amendments 467 and 468: Amendments will be brought back on the January 2012 County Board of Supervisor Meeting. No action at this time.

Dog Claims: Stephen Adrian presented the dog claims from Lancaster Veterinary. Stephen Adrian, seconded by Robert Keeney, made a motion to approve the claims of \$197.30 for dog claims received. Motion carried.

Convene to Closed Session: John Beinborn, seconded by Mark Stead, made a motion to convene into closed session Pursuant to Wis. State Statue 19.85 (1)(g) Conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved as it relates to current lawsuit filed against Grant County DSS and employee. Roll Call Vote was called.

ROLL CALL VOTE

DATE: December 20, 2011

QUESTION: Convene to Closed Session

	YES	NO	ABSENT
1. IVAN FARNES	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 took roll call vote resulting in 16 yes and 1 absent. Therefore motion carried.

Reconvene to Open County Board Session: Lester Jantzen, seconded by Ivan Farness, made a motion to reconvene back into the County Board meeting. Motion carried.

Committee Reports: Robert Keeney, Executive/Administrative—Springbrook, Highway book keeping. Mark Stead, Unified—discussed HRA, Employee Benefit updates.

Patrick Schroeder, Orchard Manor—Air conditioning project ran into a few issues but back on track. Majestic Farms would like to bulldoze an additional 5 acres to use, they would pay for the bulldozing, and payment would be an adjusted at a future time.

Stephen Adrian, Fair/Extension—Planning for the 2012 fair, Cruise on Over To The Grant County Fair, last year at the fair there was a bee problem but they think they have that problem solved. January 2012 is the Fair Convention.

Robert Scallon, Law Enforcement meeting date change.

Railroad – Rail repairs beginning, Middleton, Cassville. Mining issue may involve railways.

Grant Loy, Hidden Valley—there will be Grant County Maps included in the Hidden Valley publications next year, very nice maps for snowmobile/biking trails.

Ivan Farness, River Access-- meeting scheduled to discuss O'Leary boat landing Grant.

Larry Wolf, Social Services—Law suit.

Public Property/Technology—Insurance renewals.

Family Care—Savings seen in program.

Margaret Ruf, Health—Grants continually applied for the good of the community.

SWCAP-Many Programs that is very effective for low income families, very beneficial for Grant County. They are pioneering the industry for local food processing, a very innovative industry for Grant County in these times of unemployment and economic struggles.

Lester Jantzen, Veterans—Relief fund.

Planning and Zoning-Exclusive Ag Ordinance approved.

Zoning—got all the issues covered to move forward.

John Beinborn, Economic—Economic Board John will be stepping down as President, Carol Beals replacing him.

Vince Loeffelholz—Land Conservation grates, deer damage, crops set.

Adjournment: Margaret Ruf, seconded by Ivan Farness, made a motion to adjourn the meeting pursuant to the next meeting of January 24, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. Carol Beals challenged this decision requesting that the meeting time be changed until later in the day. After discussion a roll call vote was called.

DATE: December 20, 2011

QUESTION: Time of next County Board Meeting

YES

NO

ABSENT

1. IVAN FARNES	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			
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 took roll call vote resulting in 12 yes, 3 no, 1 absent and 1 abstained. Therefore motion carried.