

Grant County Board of Supervisors  
March 18, 2014

The Grant County Board of Supervisors met on Tuesday, March 18, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 264 on second floor of the Administration Building, Lancaster, WI pursuant to the adjournment of the February 18, 2014 meeting.

Chair Larry Wolf called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

Roll Call, March 18, 2014

	Present	Absent	Excused
Carol Beals	X		
John Beinborn	X		
Roger Guthrie	X		
Dale Hood	X		
Lester Jantzen	X		
Robert Keeney	X		
Vern Lewison	X		
Vincent Loeffelholz	X		
Grant Loy	X		
Dwight Nelson	X		
John Patcle	X		
Gary Ranum	X		
Robert Scallon			X
Patrick Schroeder	X		
Donald Splinter	X		
Mark Stead	X		
Larry Wolf	X		

The Clerk took the roll call resulting in 16 present with Robert Scallon asking to be excused. Therefore a quorum was present.

Agenda: John Beinborn, seconded by Vern Lewison made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Motion carried.

Minutes: Vince Loeffelholz, seconded by Dwight Nelson made a motion to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

Communications: Larry Wolf, Chair informed the Board Members that the county had received a Thank You card from the Infield family for donations given as Memorials in Attorney Todd Infield memory.

Employee Recognition: Larry Wolf, Chair presented Jan Udell with a Certificate of Recognition for her 33 years of service in Grant County Clerk of Courts as Deputy Clerk of Court. A Certificate of Recognition was also presented to Jennie Droessler for her 26 years of service at Orchard Manor.

Grants: Donna Haines, Orchard Manor Director asked for approval to apply for a grant from the Lancaster Community Fund in the amount of \$2,000.00. The money awarded would be used toward the Orchard Manor 400-wing covered entrance. No match is required.

Mark Stead, seconded by Lester Jantzen, made a motion to approve the application of the grant from Lancaster Community Fund in the amount of \$2,000.00 for Orchard Manor. Motion carried.

Appointments: Mark Stead, seconded by Carol Beals, made a motion to approve Resolution #50-12 Emergency Fire Wardens for 2014 who have been appointed by the Department of Natural Resources. Motion carried.

State of Wisconsin  
Department of Natural Resources

**EMERGENCY FIRE WARDEN ORGANIZATION LIST**  
Form 4300-1 Rev. 3-86

**GRANT COUNTY RESOLUTION #50-12  
EMERGENCY FIRE WARDENS**

To The Honorable: County Board of Grant County, Wisconsin:

In accord with section 26.12(3) and section 26.14(3) of the Wisconsin Statutes we recommend the following persons to act as authorized emergency fire wardens for the prevention and suppression of forest fires in this county for the year 2014 and ask your approval of this organization list.

Krogen's Do It Best Store  
924 Wisconsin Ave  
Boscobel, WI 53805  
Phone Number: 608-375-4656

DNR Wilson State Nursery  
5350 Hwy 133 E  
Boscobel, WI 53805  
Phone Number: 608-375-4232

Castle Rock Inn  
15040 Shemak Rd  
Muscodas, WI 53573  
Phone Number: 608-943-8525

LWSR Office  
202 N. Wisconsin Ave.  
Muscodas, WI 53573  
Phone Number: 608-739-3188

New Horizons  
303 Exchange Street (Hwy 133)  
Blue River, WI 53518  
Phone Number: 608-537-2751

Driftless Land Stewardship Office  
13761 CTH CS  
Bagley, WI 53801

Phone Number: 608-966-2135

Department of Natural Resources

Dodgeville, Wisconsin

February 21, 2014

/s/ Aaron Young, Area Forestry Leader

/s/ Larry Wolf, County Board Chair

**ATTEST:** I Linda K. Gebhard do attest that the Grant County Board of Supervisors did approve the 2014 Emergency Fire Warden Listing submitted by the Department of Natural Resources at the Board Meeting held on March 18, 2014.

/s/ Linda K. Gebhard, County Clerk

Corporation Counsel Appointment: Attorney Andy Phillips and Larry Wolf, Chair explained to the Board the steps that have been set into place since the unexpected death of Attorney Todd Infield who had previously been contracted to represent the county as Corporation Counsel.

There are three temporary contracts with three attorneys that have been implemented to cover the County. Attorney Benjamin Wood, Office of Kinney, Urban & Kussmaul will handle child support issues. Attorney David Helmke, Office of McNamara, Reinicke, Vogelsberg & Helmke, LLP will handle Chapter 51, Chapter 54 and Chapter 55 issues. Attorney Andrew Phillips, Office of Phillipsborowski, S.C. will be handling labor and employment matters and Government contracts. All charges will be on an hourly basis.

A motion was made by Donald Splinter, seconded by Grant Loy to approve the signing of three separate contracts with Attorney Benjamin Wood, Attorney David Helmke and Attorney Andrew Phillips; terms of payment will be on an hourly basis, to temporarily cover Grant County in all legal matters. Motion carried.

Authorizing Resolution to Submit a Planning Grant Application for Platteville Green Energy: Upon the recommendation to approve from Economic, Tourism and Resource Committee; Vern Lewison, seconded by Lester Jantzen, made a motion to authorize GCEDC to submit a planning grant to Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation. Motion carried.

**Resolution # 52-12**  
**Resolution Authorizing Submission of a WEDC Application**

Relating to Grant County's participation in the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation Grant for Economic Development Planning Grant program.

**WHEREAS**, monies are available from the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation program, administered by the State of Wisconsin, Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation, for the purpose of economic development, and

**WHEREAS**, after due consideration, the Grant County Board of Supervisors has recommended that an application be submitted to the State of Wisconsin for the following project:

**Platteville Green Energy Sustainable Processing Enterprise Center**

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary for the County Board, to approve the preparation and filing of an application for the County to receive funds from this program; and

**WHEREAS,** the County Board has reviewed the need for the proposed project and the benefits to be gained therefrom;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the County Board does approve and authorize the preparation and filing of an application for the above-named project; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the County Board Chairman is hereby authorized to sign all necessary documents on behalf of the County; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that authority is hereby granted to the Grant County Economic Development Corporation Director and the County Board Chairman to take the necessary steps to prepare and file the appropriate application for funds under this program in accordance with this resolution.

**ADOPTED** on this 18<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2014.

/s/ Larry Wolf, County Board Chair

**ATTEST:** I Linda K. Gebhard do attest that the above resolution has been authorized by the governing body of the County of Grant, Resolution No. 52-12, dated March 18, 2014.

/s/ Linda K. Gebhard, County Clerk

Resolution setting Sheriff, Clerk of Court and Coroner compensation for 2015 through 2018: Patrick Schroeder, seconded by Gary Ranum, made a motion to approve the Elected Official salary adjustment for the term of 2015 through 2018 office for Sheriff, Clerk of Court and Coroner. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 51-12  
RESOLUTION CONCERNING ELECTED OFFICIAL SALARY ADJUSTMENT FOR  
2015 through 2018 TERM OF OFFICE**

WHEREAS, Wisconsin Statutes require that an elected official's compensation must be set prior to the date when candidates take out papers to run for local office (positions for this term include Clerk of Court, Sheriff, and Coroner); and

WHEREAS, The Executive Committee recommends the approval of the salary rates for Grant County elected official positions as follows; and

Effective Date	1/06/14 (current)	Year 1 of Term 1/05/2015	Year 2 of Term 1/04/2016	Year 3 of Term 1/02/2017	Year 4 of Term 1/01/2018
Sheriff	\$65,518	(7%) \$70,104	(1%) \$70,805	(1%) \$71,513	(1%) \$72,228
Clerk of Court	\$53,615	(3%) \$55,223	(3%) \$56,880	(1%) \$57,449	(1%) \$58,023
Coroner	\$75 Call per diem \$50 Cremation per diem \$35 Training per diem \$15/hour Autopsy \$15/hour Office hours	\$80 Call per diem \$55 Cremation per diem \$35 Training per diem \$15/hour Autopsy \$15/hour Office hours	\$80 Call per diem \$55 Cremation per diem \$35 Training per diem \$15/hour Autopsy \$15/hour Office hours	\$80 Call per diem \$55 Cremation per diem \$35 Training per diem \$15/hour Autopsy \$15/hour Office hours	\$80 Call per diem \$55 Cremation per diem \$35 Training per diem \$15/hour Autopsy \$15/hour Office hours

WHEREAS, In addition to above recommendation, the elected officials will continue to be eligible for health and life insurance at the same contribution rate as the department heads. Furthermore, the Sheriff and Clerk of Court will be eligible for the Wisconsin Retirement System and will contribute the employee share.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Grant County Board of Supervisors, that the County is authorized to adjust said elected official compensation.

OFFERED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

/s/ John Beinborn, Chair  
 /s/ Mark Stead, Secretary  
 /s/ John Patcle  
 /s/ Donald Splinter

/s/ Robert Keeney, Vice Chair  
 /s/ Larry Wolf  
 Robert Scallon

**ATTEST:** I, Linda Gebhard, Grant County Clerk, do certify that this resolution was adopted by the Grant County Board of Supervisors at a meeting held on March 18, 2014.

/s/ Linda Gebhard, County Clerk

Estimated Fiscal Impact, including retirement and Social Security:

Sheriff		2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
	Increase over prior year		5,410	827	835	843
	Cumulative impact					26,634

Clerk of Courts		2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
	Increase over prior year		1,856	1,911	657	662
	Cumulative impact					15,133

Coroner		2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
	Increase over prior year		1,125			
	Cumulative impact					4,500

GRAND TOTAL		2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
	Increase over prior year		8,390	2,739	1,492	1,505
	Cumulative impact					46,267

Note: There is an approximate \$625 additional fiscal impact by including the increase for the Deputy Coroners because they receive the same compensation as the Coroner.

Letter of Support for the Friends of the Platte River: Mark Sethne, Recreational Specialist presented the information regarding a handicap accessible fishing dock the Friends of the Platte River would like to take on as a project for 2014. Because the project is located on the Platte River and on land that is partially owned by Grant County; the project needs the approval of all entities involved. Mark has received the go ahead from the Department of Natural Resources and Grant County Highway Department previously. Mark is asking for a letter of support from Grant County to complete this project. Economic Development has awarded the group \$2500.00 in grant money toward this project which Mark hopes to have completed by the end of 2014.

John Beinborn, seconded by Carol Beals, made a motion to support The Friends of the Platte River on their project to develop a handicap accessible fishing dock on the Platte River. Motion carried.

**ATTEST:** I Linda K. Gebhard do attest at the meeting held March 18, 2014 the Grant County Board of Supervisors passed the motion to give their support to The Friends of the Platte River to construct a Handicap Accessible Fishing Dock on the Platte River.

/s/ Linda K Gebhard, Grant County Clerk

Combination of the Parks and Highway Committees: The Highway Committee voted against combining the two committees; Parks Committee had a tie vote for the combination.

Pat Schroeder, seconded by Don Splinter made a motion to leave the committees the same at this time. After some discussion, Andy Phillips, Corporation Counsel addressed Larry Wolf, Chair with a "Point of Order". He informed the Board that there was no need to make a motion if there would be no change in the committees. Therefore the County Board of Supervisors took no action on this issue at this time, Patrick Schroeder and Don Splinter withdrew their motion.

Livestock Claims: John Patcle submitted the dog claims from the Lancaster Vet Clinic for February 2014 for \$210.00. The claim was approved by the Ag and Extension committee.

John Patcle, seconded by Roger Guthrie, made a motion to approve the claim from the Lancaster Vet Clinic for \$210.00. Motion carried.

Discussion/Possible action on Courthouse Restoration: Larry Wolf, Chair gave the Board the results of the bids from four Companies for review. InSight Consulting Architects are still in the process of reviewing the bid information so no action was taken at this time. Larry stated once InSite has sent back their recommendations; a special County Board meeting will be called to further discuss this issue and possible awarding of the bid will take place at that time.

Heroin Recruiting and Briefing: Jeff Kindrai, Health Department Director, Kathy Marty, Drug Free Coalition and Gary Ranum, County Board Supervisor, have been working together to find ways to reach all student from 7<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> grade for heroin prevention and education. A list has been compiled assigning School Districts in Grant County to County Board members who live in those districts. They would like County Board Members to get involved by reaching out to school superintendents to set up informational sessions on heroin and drug related issues. Kathy Marty will coordinate a panel of experts and key speakers to address each perspective school in an attempt to get the word out on the problems drugs can cause. These sessions would be offered free to the schools who would be interested in participating. Kathy stated that it would be nice if a small reimbursement for mileage for the speakers and panel members could be considered to repay them for their time and effort. Kathy extended an invitation to all Board Members to attend the Plunge Event that the Coalition holds every year. It is an enactment of events that happen from the beginning to a person involved in an OMVI, to the accident scene, going to the hospital, court and jail.

Carol Beals asked if it had been considered to hold some Informational Sessions at the U.W. Platteville College. Carol felt that even at that level of student, this information needs to be shared.

Nate Dreckman, Grant County Sheriff offered any help that Law Enforcement could give in this effort also.

### Committee Reports:

Economic, John Beinborn— The next meeting will be March 26 in Lancaster; they will tour Skyline and then meet at the Lancaster County Club. Village of Dickeyville is trying to set up a TID for an Industrial Park proposal.

Executive Committee, John Beinborn—Next meeting immediately after the County Board Meeting.

Grant County Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning, Mark Stead—Approved administering the 2014 wildlife deer donation program, 15 landowners have updated their nutrient management plans, a number of committee members attended the WLWCA Annual Conference in Appleton, WI, and Dale Hood was elected as an Area Representative on the Land and Water Conservation Board.

Ag and Extension/Fair, John Patcle invited the Board Members to participate in the Community Natural Resource and Economic Development (CNRED) Program conducted by Todd Johnson, Comm. Resource Agent of the Extension Office.

Highway, John Patcle—gave an update on the new equipment Highway is looking at purchasing.

Orchard Manor, Robert Keeney—Discussed phosphorus levels in the sewer system at Orchard Manor and submitted them to DNR, discussed water issues in the 52 Building. Worked on a wage study for the CNA's at Orchard Manor.

Law Enforcement, Robert Scallon-- not present.

Hidden Valley, Grant Loy—Annual meeting to be held in Green County.

River Rail Transit Commission, Gary Ranum—upgrades to be made on the Prairie du Chien rails next year, 40,000 new ties to be replaced, welded rail tracks to be installed.

Continuus, Gary Ranum—No March meeting, April is the next meeting.

ADRC, Dale Hood— After April ADRC Committee will need two citizen members.

Health, Dwight Nelson —Conducted Jeff Kindrai's evaluation, approved a date for the 2014 Safety Day Event, approved a grant for car seats, annual report was discussed and approved. In a number of the programs, an increase in clients served was noted. April 22<sup>nd</sup> is the next meeting.

Social Services, Carol Beals—updated finance reports, took a side trip down the modification of buildings in the county, April 2<sup>nd</sup> is the next meeting.

Conservation Sanitation and Zoning, Lester Jantzen—Has not had their meeting yet.

Veterans, Lester Jantzen—No meeting.

Parks Committee, Don Splinter—Many problems will need to be addressed at the next committee meeting.

Public Property, Vince Loeffelholz—Mark Sethne, Friends of the Platte River asked for County approval to construct a handicap accessible fishing dock on the Platte River. Insurance reports

were given, InSite Architects opened bids for the Courthouse Restoration Project. Jeff Anderson gave an update of licensing, telephone systems and internet.

Public Comment: None

Adjournment: Mark Stead, seconded by Vern Lewison, made a motion to adjourn the meeting pursuant to the next meeting on April 15, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. Motion carried.