

Grant County Board of Supervisors
June 21, 2016

The Grant County Board of Supervisors met on Tuesday, June 21, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in Room 264 on second floor of the Administration Building, Lancaster, WI pursuant to the adjournment of the May 17, 2016 meeting.

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

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

Roll Call, June 21, 2016

	Present	Absent	Excused
Carol Beals	X		
John Beinborn	X		
Ronald Coppernoll	X		
Roger Guthrie			X
Dale Hood	X		
Lester Jantzen	X		
Robert Keeney	X		
Mike Lieurance	X		
Grant Loy	X		
Dwight Nelson	X		
John Patcle	X		
Gary Ranum	X		
Patricia Reynolds	X		
Robert Scallon	X		
Donald Splinter	X		
Mark Stead	X		
Daniel Timmerman	X		

The Clerk took the roll call resulting in 16 present and 1 excused; therefore a quorum was present.

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

Minutes: Dan Timmerman, seconded by Pat Reynolds made a motion to approve the minutes of May 17, 2016. Motion carried.

Presentation regarding ATV/UTV Trails, DNR Warden, Marty Stone described the differences between routes and trails and ATV vehicle and a UTV. Routes are located throughout the state, bicycles, people, Amish buggies and UTV can use these routes. ATV's generally cannot use the routes. Routes are for recreation and some can be located on highways. ATV's can use a route located on a highway if used for agriculture, transporting equipment or product or if a local municipality enacts an ordinance approving the ATV's to use the route. A UTV vehicles like a Ranger or Gator has a steering wheel, seat belts, a roll bar. An ATV is usually straddled with one rider.

A trail is a mode of travel through woods and fields, a route is a special designation on an established roadway. Grant County has only trails established at this time. There has been some issue with trails having appropriate signage; some of the signs are not clear for direction. Some of the signage has not been appropriately placed on the trails with the correct distances.

Marty suggests that the Clubs and the County get together in passing any further trails so the appropriate signage can be acquired and placed on the trails in an effort to make them safer. The Clubs are responsible for placing the signs; the placement and type of signs needs to be more uniform throughout the county to establish the safety DNR wants to maintain.

Marty suggested that the County and Clubs meet and organize an alliance so there is more uniformity throughout the County and the Clubs would have more power to maybe receive grant money available for ATV and UTV routes to help with the cost to maintain the trails and they may be able to establish more routes.

Ben Wood, Corporation Counsel suggested that the ordinances being passed for the trails should include wording contingent on the Clubs purchasing the appropriate signage before the County passes the trail. Marty Stone suggested that before any further ATV/UTV trails are passed the County and the Clubs should take a look at the current trails and make the appropriate signage changes so all are in compliance first. Then there should be uniform rules and requirements for the County and Clubs that have to be followed before further trails are passed. Ben Wood stated the County would look at the original Ordinance and make sure the language is included to state the responsibilities that are expected from the County and the Clubs before any further trails are passed.

Communications: Chair Robert Keeney stated the training for Facility Dude has been delayed because EMG has not completed the surveys of all the County facilities. The first training is targeted for July.

Grant County has taken over the Tourism facility in Kieler; the Tourism Council will be meeting to talk over different options for that.

Chair Keeney reminded the County Board Members to give the County Clerk their information for the WCA Convention so the registrations can be paid in advance.

Fair Brochures and posters: Amy Olson, Fair Manager made available to the Board Members the 2016 Fair brochures and posters so they can distribute the fair information in their areas. The fair theme this year is "Blast from the Past"; the dates are August 17 – 21, 2016.

Grant County Libraries: Jennifer Bernetzke, Lancaster and Jesse Lee Jones, Platteville. It is time to update the Library Plan for service to the county residents. State Statutes mandate that each county must have a County Library Plan on file. The last Grant County Library Plan was filed in 1999, since then many things have changed. There are 13 Libraries and branches in Grant County. Grant County Libraries are open a combined 24,384 hours per year and over 23,000 people attend library programs each year. The number of items held by libraries is 266,900, library visits are in the neighborhood of 235,000. The libraries circulate 474,000 physical items; they supply 118 public access computers and distribute 174,000 digital materials per year.

The Directors of the Grant County Libraries are requesting the Grant County Board appoint a committee to update and revise the Grant County Library Plan. This committee will work together to prepare a draft of the updated plan for final approval by the Grant County Board later in the year.

Employee Recognition: None

Appointments: Chair Keeney appointed Steve Wetter to a two year term on the ADRC Commission.

Lester Jantzen, seconded by John Beinborn made a motion to approve the appointment. Motion carried.

Chair Keeney appointed Regina Pauley to one of the vacant positions on the Southwest Library Board.

John Patcle, made a motion seconded by Grant Loy to approve the appointment. Motion carried. This leaves one vacant board position open.

Grants: Carol Schwartz, Orchard Manor Director asked for approval to apply for funding from the Ray and Kay Eckstein Charitable Trust to help with funding for the covered entrance on the 400 wing of Orchard Manor. They have been doing fund raisers to help raise money for this project but the cost has gone up since the bid was submitted. Orchard Manor would like to request \$15,000.00 from the Charitable Trust; Orchard Manor Committee has approved this request.

Robert Scallon made a motion seconded by Dwight Nelson to approve this grant request. Motion carried.

Comprehensive Plan Change: : Lynda Schweikert, Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning Director presented the Comprehensive Plan Changes for the following petitions; all were approved by the township boards and Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning Board:

PETITION #16-04: Rezone request for Maida Fortune, to change ± 1.8 ac of 056-00087-0000, 056-00088-0000, 056-00130-0000 & 056-00135-0000 from M2 & C2 to R3 Zoning in the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 4, T4N, R3W, in South Lancaster Township.

PETITION #16-16: Rezone request for Living Faith Church, to change 10 ac of 016-00355-0020 from FP to C1 Zoning in the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 18, T6N, R2W, in Fennimore Township.

PETITION #16-17: Contingent upon approval of Comprehensive Plan Change: Rezone request for Vesperman Corporation, to change 4 ac of 056-00517-0000 & 056-00520-0000 from FP to C2 Zoning in the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ & the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 22, T4N, R3W, in South Lancaster Township

Mark Stead, seconded by Ron Coppernoll, made a motion to approve all three petitions for the Comprehensive Plan Change. Motion carried.

525th Zoning Amendment: Lynda Schweikert, Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning Director presented the amendment to the board. All Petitions were approved by the town boards and the Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning Committee.

**525th AMENDMENT TO THE
GRANT COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE
June 21st, 2016**

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

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

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

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

PETITION #16-04: Rezone request for Maida Fortune, to change ±1.8 ac of 056-00087-0000, 056-00088-0000, 056-00130-0000 & 056-00135-0000 from M2 & C2 to R3 Zoning in the NW ¼ of the NE ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 4, T4N, R3W, in South Lancaster Township.

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PETITION #16-18: Rezone for Betty Schurman Revocable Trust, PIN: 056-00211-0000, to change the zoning classification from FP to A2 of 2.29 ac. This is in the NE ¼, of the SW ¼ & the SE ¼ of the SW ¼, of section 8, T4N, R3W, in South Lancaster Township.

PETITION #16-19: Rezone for Barth Eastlick, PIN: 050-01036-0000 & 050-01042-0000, to change the zoning classification from FP to A2 of 4 ac. This is in the E ½, of the SW ¼ of section 35, T3N, R1W, in Platteville Township.

Adopted by the Grant County Board of Supervisors this 21st day of June, 2016

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

Mark Stead seconded by Lester Jantzen, made a motion to approve all petitions for the 525th Zoning Amendment. Motion carried.

Amendments to Ordinance 65 ATV/UTV Routes: Dave Lambert, Highway Commissioner presented the amendments for the ATV/UTV Ordinance of Grant County. Due to the previous presentation given by the DNR Warden regarding correct signage for existing trails, after discussion; it was decided all signage of the current trails may need to be looked at to make sure they are correctly positioned and meet all legal requirements for safety purposes. Dave Lambert also stated that there may have to be a maintenance program put into place to make sure the signage stays legal year to year. He also reiterated that the County, Highway, Safety Committee and the ATV Clubs will have to get together to make sure all have the same information and make sure all parties involved know their responsibility in this matter.

In presenting the amended ordinance trails it was discovered some of the information in the document was incorrect; the Board asked that the changes be made and this be stated in the motion.

Dan Timmerman, seconded by Don Splinter, made a motion to approve Ordinance 65 Amendment for the ATV/UTV Trails contingent on correcting the wrong information in the amendment. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 65

(Proposed Hwy Committee 11/12/15 & 12/10/15 and Traffic Safety Committee 5/18/16)

AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL AND RECREATE SECTION 268-4(a)-(cc) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF GRANT COUNTY, WISCONSIN, RELATING TO ALL-TERRAIN AND UTILITY VEHICLE ROUTES.

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

Section I: Section 268-4(a)-(cc) of the County's Code of Ordinances is hereby repealed and recreated to read as follows:

"268-4 AREAS DESIGNATED: The areas designated as an all-terrain vehicle/utility-terrain vehicle route shall be as follows:

- (a) County Highway A, from County Highway X, South and East to CTH VV, within the Village of Bagley and the Town of Bloomington;
- (b) County Highway C, from County Highway X, continuing northeast across US Highway 18 to Kussmaul Hollow Road, near the unincorporated Village of Millville;
- (c) County Trunk Highway J, from County Trunk Highway JJ, extending north to 6th Street, within the Village of Mt. Hope;
- (d) County Trunk Highway JJ, full length of CTH JJ from US Highway 18, through the Village of Mt. Hope and back to US Highway 18;
- (e) County Trunk Highway P, from CTH A, near the Village of Bagley, extending north and east to Morgan Road, within the Town of Wyalusing;
- (f) County Trunk Highway X, from CTH A in the Village of Bagley, extending north to Gasner Hollow Road;
- (g) County Trunk Highway X, from CTH P, extending easterly to and through an unincorporated Village of Wyalusing."
- (h) County Highway E beginning at Pine Grove Road, extending East through the Village of Stitzer and to Sleepy Hollow Road; County Highway F beginning at County Highway E, extending North through the Village of Stitzer and to Fennimore-Liberty Road.
- (j) County Highway VV, from County Highway A, south to Rock School Road within the Towns of Bloomington and Glen Haven.
- (k) County Trunk Highway VV, from Hwy 81 in Cassville, extending northwest to Closing Dam Road.
- (l) County Trunk Highway VV, from Good-Nuf Hollow Road, extending northwest to Duncan Road.
- (m) County Trunk Highway V, from Squirrel Hollow Road, extending west to the Glen Haven Boat Landing within the Village of Glen Haven.
- (n) County Trunk Highway Y, from State Truck Highway 81, extending southeast to a point 50 feet from the intersection of State Truck Highway 133.
- (o) County Trunk Highway VV, from Good-Nuf Hollow Road, extending south to Ramsey Road.
- (p) County Trunk Highway V, from Maine Road, extending east to State Trunk Highway 133.
- (q) County Trunk Highway B, from State Trunk Highway 61, extending east to Old B Road.
- (r) County Trunk Highway U, from Reynolds Ridge Road, extending northwest to

- Pikes Peak Road.
- (s) County Trunk Highway K, from Pine Knob Road, extending east to Borah Road
 - (t) County Trunk Highway N, from Chaffie Hollow Road, extending south to East Park Lane
 - (u) County Trunk Highway W, Lafayette Co. Line to Church Street, in the Village of Hazel Green
 - (v) County Trunk Highway Q, Baumgartner Road northeast to Blue School Road
 - (w) County Trunk Highway H, Lafayette Co. Line to Washington Street, in the City of Cuba City
 - (x) County Trunk Highway N, from Hwy 133 south to McCartney Landing
 - (y) CTH HHH, from CTH H, extending southwest through the Village of Kieler and under Hwy 151 to the intersection with CTH H (Frontage Road).
 - (z) CTH H – from CTH H extending north along the frontage road, adjacent to Hwy 151, to Peddle Hollow Road.
 - (aa) CTH H – from Shoestring Road, extending east to Louisburg Road
 - (bb) CTH U – all portions of CTH U within the Village of Potosi, From Stage Road west to the intersection where CTH U goes North, then following CTH U north to the Village Limits at Dogtail Road.
 - (cc) County Trunk Highway Z, extending from Sinsinawa Road, north to Murphy Road
 - (dd) CTH Trunk Highway A, extending from McKinley Road west to Grays Mill Road
 - (ee) CTH Trunk Highway A, Extending from Cannon Road east to Dry Hollow Road

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

Approved by the Highway Committee on this day of 12th November, 2015 and recommended for passage by the Grant County Board of Supervisors.

Highway Committee Members:

/s/ Donald Splinter, Chair

/s/ John Patcle, Vice Chair

/s/ Mark Stead, Secretary

/s/ Vern Lewison

/s/ Grant Loy

Approved by the Grant County Board of Supervisors on this day of the 21st, June, 2016.

GRANT COUNTY BY /s/ Robert Keeney, County Board Chair

COUNTERSIGNED: /s/ Linda Gebhard, County Clerk

Date Adopted: April 16, 2013

Date Recorded: December 15, 2015

Date Published: December 23, 2015

Effective Date: December 23, 2015

ATTEST: I Linda K. Gebhard do attest that the ATV Ordinance Amendment was approved by the Grant County Board of Supervisors at a meeting held on this day of the 21st, June, 2016.

/s/ Linda K. Gebhard, County Clerk

Sale of Platteville Highway Property: Ben Wood, Corporation Counsel presented the information on the Platteville Highway Property that went out for bids to sell the remaining lots on the property which previously housed the Highway Salt Shed, (Mitchell Addition). With the approval of the Highway Committee; A. Fordable Storage LLC was awarded the bid to purchase the property to place mini storage units on.

Ben asked the Board for the approval to go forward with this land transaction.

A motion was made by Don Splinter, seconded by Grant Loy, to give Ben Wood, Corporation Counsel permission to contact A. Fordable Storage LLC to allow the County Clerk to sign all necessary documents to complete the sale of the lots in Platteville, WI (Mitchell Addition). Motion carried.

Resolution in Support of Transportation: David Lambert, Highway Commissioner, presented the resolution to the Board for approval. This advisory resolution was introduced by Wisconsin Counties Association and sent to all counties in Wisconsin. With funding going down and costs rising; this attempt to help fix the road conditions throughout the state is being proposed. It has had positive reactions from many counties in Wisconsin. Dave is asking approval of the resolution for Grant County.

John Patcle, seconded by Don Splinter, made a motion to approve this resolution for Grant County and send copies to our State Legislators and Governor Scott Walker. Motion carried.

Resolution # 01-16
“Just Fix It” Resolution”

WHEREAS, local government in Wisconsin is responsible for about 90% of the road miles in the state; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin’s diverse economy is dependent upon county and town roads as well as city and village streets and transit systems across the state; and

WHEREAS, according to “Filling Potholes: A New Look at Funding Local Transportation in Wisconsin”, commissioned by the Local Government Institute of Wisconsin (LGI) the condition of Wisconsin’s highways is now in the bottom third of the country; and

WHEREAS, state funding for local streets and roads in Wisconsin has failed to keep up with the costs over the past several decades which has adversely affected local transportation finances. According to “Filling Potholes”, municipal transportation spending has declined from \$275 per capita in the year 2000 to \$227 in 2012; and

WHEREAS, State imposed levy limits do not allow local government to make up for the deterioration of state funding; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin’s over-reliance on borrowing eats away at the state’s segregated funding sources – the state gas tax and vehicle registration fees – which increasingly pay debt service rather than fund transportation needs; and

WHEREAS, safety is a primary concern and responsibility of local governments across Wisconsin. Unfortunately, according to TRIP, a notional non-profit transportation research group, Wisconsin had 347 non-interstate, rural road fatalities in 2013; and

WHEREAS, the Grant County Board recognizes that our state highway and interstate system is the backbone of our surface transportation system and plays a vital role in the economy of Wisconsin. Both local *and* state roads need to be properly maintained in order for our economy to grow; and

WHEREAS, from a competitive standpoint Wisconsin motorists pay significantly less than any of our neighbors when you combine the annual cost of the state gas tax and the vehicle registration fees; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Finance and Policy Commission, appointed by the Governor and Legislature clearly found that if Wisconsin does not adjust its user fees, the condition of both our state and local roads will deteriorate significantly over the next decade.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Grant County Board of Supervisors urge the Governor and the Legislature to Just Fix IT and agree upon a sustainable solution: one that includes a responsible level of bonding and adjusts our user fees to adequately fund Wisconsin's transportation system. Furthermore, the Grant County Board of Supervisors directs the County Clerk to send a copy of this resolution to our State Legislators and to Governor Scott Walker.

Approved by the Grant County Board of Supervisors on this day of the **21st, June, 2016.**

GRANT COUNTY BY /s/ Robert Keeney, County Board Chair

COUNTERSIGNED: /s/ Linda Gebhard, County Clerk

ATTEST: I Linda K. Gebhard do attest that Resolution 01-16 Just Fix IT was approved by the Grant County Board of Supervisors at a meeting held on this day of the **21st, June, 2016.**

/s/ Linda K. Gebhard, County Clerk

Livestock Claims: No action was taken on the dog claims at this time; Ag and Extension Committee have not met to discuss this matter. This will be brought back to the Grant County Board of Supervisors at the July meeting.

Chair Robert Keeney informed the Board Jack Johnson, Chief Deputy Sheriff has been working on negotiations with Dubuque Humane Society and Barks Vet Clinic in Boscobel who would be willing to take the stray dogs picked up by the Grant County Deputies.

Committee Reports:

Administrative Committee, Robert Keeney—it was approved to move forward with the schematic design phase for the Law Enforcement/ADRC/Social Services project using 2021 needs. They are hoping to start in July or August when more thorough design and budget figures will be available to work with.

Ag and Extension Committee, John Patcle—next committee meeting will be June 28, with all the changes going on with the Extension Offices there will be a meeting that day in Darlington with Grant, Iowa, Lafayette, and Green to discuss the issues.

Executive, John Patcle—Grant County will be losing 20% utility as of this year, working through this loss for the budget, a 1% wage raise is projected for employees.

Orchard Manor, John Patcle—working with Personnel to come up with sign on bonus for CNAs and RNs.

Unified Counseling, Mark Stead—The Franciscan Healthcare inpatient psychiatric unit in LaCrosse is officially closing this month. The \$325,000 Substance Abuse Mental Health Services Administration grant which was applied for in April has been accepted but they will not know if they got it until September 2016. This will be used to enhance and expand service to drug and OWI Court participants. Emergency Service calls are down but the ones that are received are regarding dementia and children.

ADRC, Pat Reynolds—Discussed Care Wisconsin as an alternative to ContinuUs; headquarters are in Dodgeville. There are 14 participants who have joined.

Library, Pat Reynolds—no meetings in June.

Veterans Committee, Robert Scallon, June 30 the picnic will be held.

Hidden Valley, Robert Scallon—met last Wednesday at Cottonwood, next meeting will be in Iowa County.

Railroad, Robert Scallon—Mike Lieurance went to this meeting with Bob. They thank Grant County for the letter for the TIGER Grant.

Health, Grant Loy—next meeting on June 28.

Law Enforcement/Emergency Management, Gary Ranum—No meeting this month. Will meet on July 11th.

ContinuUs, Gary Ranum, went over audit, was very good, costs were up. Last year was a challenge and their costs were up. They came in 4 million below their required reserves this year. They have improved their care for the people and how they are setting rates. State increased the capitation limit so for now they are on track for a profitable year.

Gary informed the board that the Secretary of Department of Health Services, Kitty Roads passed away. Her deputy has been appointed in her place.

Social Services, Dale Hood—met June 1st, discussed purchasing, and some new hires.

Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning, Dwight Nelson—met June 7th, approved 2016 staff and support, discussed the cost share grant, there will be meeting in Iowa County tomorrow.

Public Property/Technology, Carol Beals— Meeting will be held June 29th.

Highway, Don Splinter—gave highway updates.

Parks Committee, Don Splinter—Boat landing tour was taken.

Public Comment: Hellmuth Krause was back to discuss a longstanding property dispute concerning easements through pasture land he owns that is used by a neighbor who built a cabin on a parcel.

Adjournment: John Patcle, seconded by Pat Reynolds, made a motion to adjourn the meeting pursuant to July 19, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. A roll Call Vote was called for, Carol Beals had asked respectfully that the board consider the starting time of the July Meeting to be at 6:00 p.m. to reflect the summer hours of previous years.

DATE: June 21, 2016

QUESTION: 10:00 a.m. starting time of the July 19, 2016 Grant County Board of Supervisor meeting.

YES NO ABSENT ABSTAINED

1. GARY RANUM	X		
2. GRANT LOY	X		
3. ROBERT SCALLON		X	
4. ROBERT KEENEY	X		
5. ROGER GUTHRIE			X
6. JOHN PATCLE	X		
7. PATRICIA REYNOLDS	X		
8. RONALD COPPERNOLL		X	
9. MIKE LIEURANCE	X		
10. MARK STEAD	X		
11. DALE HOOD		X	
12. DWIGHT NELSON	X		
13. CAROL BEALS		X	
14. LESTER JANTZEN		X	
15. JOHN BEINBORN		X	
16. DONALD SPLINTER			X
17. DANIEL TIMMERMAN	X		

Vote was taken by County Clerk resulting in 9 yes, 6 no, 1 abstained, 1 absent, therefore motion carried, next County Board Meeting will be held on July 19, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.