

**Grant County Board of Supervisors  
June 18, 2019**

The Grant County Board of Supervisors met on Tuesday, June 18, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. in the Community Services Building, 8820 Hwy 35/61/81, Lancaster, WI, in the EOC/Training Room, pursuant to the adjournment of the May 21, 2019 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 18, 2019

	Present	Absent	Excused
Carol Beals	X		
John Beinborn	X		
Gregory Fry	X		
Roger Guthrie	X		
Dale Hood	X		
Lester Jantzen	X		
Robert Keeney	X		
Mike Lieurance	X		
Dwight Nelson	X		
Gary Northouse	X		
John Patcle	X		
Gary Ranum	X		
Robert Scallon	X		
Patrick Schroeder	X		
Donald Splinter	X		
Mark Stead	X		
Porter Wagner	X		

The Clerk took the roll call resulting in 17 present. Therefore, a quorum was present.

Agenda: John Beinborn, seconded by Porter Wagner, made a motion to approve the agenda with one change in line item 17 to delete the Seminar Policy which needs to go back to the Executive Committee for further review. Motion carried.

Minutes: Dwight Nelson, seconded by Robert Scallon, made a motion to approve the minutes of May 21, 2019 with the correction on the motion made to approve the April 16, 2019 minutes, motion was seconded by Dwight Nelson not Dwight Wagner. Motion carried.

Communication: Amy Olson, Fair Manager gave the Board an update on the 2019 Fair and new events that will be offered this year. She made available to the Board Members the 2019 Fair brochures and posters so they can distribute the fair information in their areas and if interested to sign up to help in

the Grandstand. The fair theme this year is, Life is Better at the Grant County Fair, "Get your Happy On". The dates are August 14 – 18, 2019.

Chair Keeney reiterated from the last Board meeting, that the Census of 2020 will be starting. He asked the Board to be thinking about potential members to appoint on a Complete Count Committee; Board Members, Department Heads or members of the community.

Memoriam for Tony Runde, Resolution #40-18: Chair Keeney presented the memoriam to the Board for Tony Runde, a past Board Member.

A motion was made by John Beinborn, seconded by Mark Stead to adopt Resolution 40-18 Memoriam for Tony Runde to be presented to the Runde family. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION #40-18  
IN MEMORIAM OF TONY RUNDE**

The Grant County Board of Supervisors, assembled this 18<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2019 issues the following commemoration:

**WHEREAS**, the death of Tony Runde from the Township of Jamestown has come to the attention of this body; and

**WHEREAS**, Tony Runde served on the Grant County Board of Supervisors from April 1999 to April 2010 representing District 31, City of Cuba City, Ward 1, Town of Hazel Green, Ward 2, Town of Jamestown, Ward 3 and Town of Smelser, Ward 2; 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 Tony Runde 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.

Robert C. Keeney, County Board Chair  
Linda K. Gebhard, County Clerk

Employee Recognition(s): None

Appointment(s): Chair Keeney asked for approval to replace Teresa Burton to represent the Workforce Development on the CJCC committee taking Ron Coppernoll's place.

A motion was made by Porter Wagner, seconded by Gary Ranum to approve the appointment of Teresa Burton to replace Ron Coppernoll for Workforce Development on the CJCC committee. Motion carried.

Chair Keeney asked for approval to confirmation of Committee Assignments for District 8 Supervisor to Patrick Schroeder. The committees Patrick would serve on would be Unified, Law Enforcement/Emergency Management, Administrative and Southwest CAP.

John Patcle, seconded by Roger Guthrie, made a motion to approve the confirmation of the following committees which Patrick Schroeder will serve on replacing Ron Coppernoll, Administrative, Law Enforcement/Emergency Management, Unified and Southwest CAP.

Discussion was asked for regarding the motion; Pat Schroeder stated interest in trading or being replaced on the Southwest CAP committee. Pat stated in coming back on the Board he has found that the County is pretty sticky on how many committees a Board Member can serve on but he does not want to take the Southwest CAP position and would be interested in suggestions. John Beinborn stated he had mentioned this to Dale Hood, if he would be interested in taking that assignment. Dale Hood stated he may be interested in taking the assignment to Southwest CAP but he was not interested in trading any of his committee assignments.

Chair Keeney reiterated the motion: John Patcle, seconded by Roger Guthrie, made a motion to approve the confirmation of the following committees which Patrick Schroeder will serve on replacing Ron Coppernoll, Administrative, Law Enforcement/Emergency Management, Unified and Southwest CAP. Motion carried.

Once the motion had been approved, Chair Keeney asked Pat Schroeder if he wished to give up the appointment on the Southwest CAP Committee, Pat stated yes if the rest of the Board approved it. Again Dale Hood was asked if he was interested in taking the assignment. Ben Wood, Corporation Counsel was addressed if it is legal to accept a verbal request to give up an appointment to a committee. Ben stated yes, the County Board Chair would then have to appoint someone else who would be interested in taking the assignment.

Chair Keeney stated he would accept the verbal request from Patrick Schroeder to decline the committee assignment on Southwest CAP and would like to appoint Dale Hood to take the Southwest CAP committee assignment.

John Beinborn, seconded by Gary Ranum, made a motion to approve the assignment of Dale Hood to take the committee assignment on Southwest CAP taking Patrick Schroeder off that committee. Motion carried.

Grant(s): None

Southwest Wisconsin Groundwater and Geology Study(SWIGG): Lynda Schweikert reported that the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of the baseline sampling was completed with Coliform found in 16%, E.coli in 2% and Nitrates in 15% of the wells tested. This data will be combined with the fall results to lead into the 2<sup>nd</sup> objective

of the study. Source testing has begun in the spring and will occur summer, fall and winter looking for human, bovine and swine pathogens. In July, WGNHS will start the well construction assessment looking at type, age and materials of the wells to determine if well construction correlates with contamination or lack thereof. In addition to this, a Joint Solicitation Grant has been received to complete a mapping of the Roundtree Formation and assessed to see if this provides protection of the lower aquifers. If additional funding is received we will be assessing land use risk factors around the contaminated wells for the third objective.

Presentation by Southwest Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission: Troy Maggied made the presentation. Southwest Regional Planning Commission was established in 1970. They offer support to the County in Transportation, Economic Development and Technical support.

One issue they have studied at length is the need for affordable housing in this area. Rural areas need to find ways to keep younger generations in our areas but because of the lack of affordable and available housing this has proven to be a problem. Current housing in our rural areas tend to be aging; our communities need to look internally within their area for profiles to entice residential developers to come to these areas. Another issue in this area tends to be low wages; it takes two incomes per household to afford a home. Troy speculated to correct this issue, our areas would have to increase wages or decrease cost of housing. Many homes in this area are occupied by one person 60 to 65 and older, the houses may be there but the availability is not. Troy highlighted some of the barriers in purchasing a home being bad credit, no ability to pay a down payment, and do not make enough in wages to pay a mortgage.

This issue affects our communities, Troy wanted to bring these concerns to the Board and assure that Southwest Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission will do all they can to assist in this issue, County participation is appreciated and the yearly contribution to their organization from the Counties are very much appreciated.

Request for \$56,832.00 from the General Fund to blacktop the entrance at the Grant County Fairgrounds north to the Eckstein Exhibit Hall: Amy Olson, Fair Manager presented the request to the Board. Iverson Construction has presented options they could do to fix the fairground road accesses. The best option would be to pulverize all the existing roadways and repave them. This would guarantee at least a 20 year life. The Fair has enough in their budget to pay for part of the project but they need to request \$56,832.00 from the General Fund to complete the project.

Mark Stead, seconded by Gary Northouse, made a motion to approve the request to take \$56,832.00 from the General Fund to blacktop the entrance at the Grant County Fairgrounds north to the Eckstein Exhibit Hall. A roll call vote was called for because this would be out of budget spending.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

DATE: June 18, 2019

QUESTION: Request for \$56,532.00 out of the General Fund.

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>EXCUSED</b>
1. GARY RANUM	X		
2. GARY NORTHOUSE	X		

	YES	NO	EXCUSED
3. ROBERT SCALLON	X		
4. ROBERT KEENEY	X		
5. ROGER GUTHRIE	X		
6. JOHN PATCLE	X		
7. GREGORY FRY	X		
8. PATRICK SCHROEDER	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. PORTER WAGNER	X		

County Clerk took the roll call vote resulting in 17 YES votes, therefore motion carried.

Resolution restating Nondiscrimination Obligations of Grant County, Wisconsin: Joyce Roling, Personnel Director presented the resolution. Joyce has been working with our labor attorney to update this plan. Because it is no longer mandated that a municipality or a county have an affirmative action plan in place; our current plan was created in 1987, revised in 2007. The attorney's recommendation was to repeal and re-created the previous Affirmative Action Plan and replace it with the following Resolution.

A motion was made by John Patcle, seconded by Patrick Schroeder, to approve Resolution No. 41-18 restating nondiscrimination obligations of Grant County, Wisconsin. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. #41-18**

**RESOLUTION RESTATING NONDISCRIMINATION OBLIGATIONS OF GRANT COUNTY, WISCONSIN**

**WHEREAS**, it is the policy of Grant County to provide equal employment opportunity for properly qualified individuals without regard to age, race, creed, color, disability, marital status, sex, national origin, ancestry, sexual orientation, gender identity or arrest and conviction record; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the policy of Grant County to meet obligations of non-discrimination under Wisconsin and Federal Laws and therefore not to unlawfully discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed, religion, color, sex, national origin, ancestry, age, physical appearance, disability, arrest or conviction record, marital status, military status, political affiliation, sexual orientation or any other characteristic protected by law; and

**WHEREAS**, Grant County is exempt from the affirmative action plan requirements of Wis. Stat. § 16.765, and the affirmative action requirements of Chapter ER 43 of the Wisconsin Statutes and all federal

affirmative action requirements under Executive Order No. 11246, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Vietnam Era Veteran's Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974 and all implementing regulations;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that Grant County restates its obligations of equal employment opportunity and non-discrimination as expressed in its personnel policies, and

**FURTHER**, that Grant County hereby repeals the Grant County Affirmative Action Resolution 55-06 dated November 13, 2007.

Recommended for passage this 11th day of June, 2019, by the Executive Committee of the Grant County Board of Supervisors.

/s/ John Patcle, Chair

/s/ Gary Ranum, Secretary

/s/ Mike Lieurance

/s/ Carol Beals

/s/ Mark Stead, Vice Chair

/s/ Robert Keeney

/s/ Donald Splinter

I, Linda Gebhard, Clerk of Grant County, hereby certify that the above resolution was duly presented and passed by the Grant County Board of Supervisors on June 18, 2019.

/s/ Linda Gebhard

Equal employment Opportunity/Antidiscrimination Policy Revisions: Joyce Roling presented the revision of the Grant County Employee Handbook to the Board.

Roger Guthrie, seconded by Don Splinter, made a motion to approve the revision to the Equal Employment Opportunity/Anti-Discrimination Policy in the Grant County Employee Handbook. Motion carried.

### **County of Grant Employee Handbook**

#### **EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY/ANTI-DISCRIMINATION POLICY**

Grant County believes in equal employment opportunity. Accordingly, we afford equal opportunity and equal treatment to all persons. It is the County's policy not to unlawfully discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed, religion, color, sex, national origin, ancestry, age, physical appearance, disability, arrest or conviction records, ~~(unless circumstances of the charge/conviction substantially relate to the circumstances of the particular job)~~, marital status, military status, political affiliation, sexual orientation or any other characteristic protected by law. This policy shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, promotion, demotion, transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, or selection for training.

Grant County will not tolerate unlawful discrimination in any employment decision. We expect you to cooperate fully in helping us implement our equal opportunity policy. Employees are required to report

all instances of unlawful discrimination. Employees are urged to inform the Personnel Department, or the County Board Chairperson of any violation of this policy. Grant County prohibits retaliation against any employee who makes a good faith report of discrimination.

(Revised ~~11/08/2011~~ 06/18/2019)

Policy Revisions, Administration Manual: Joyce Roling presented the amendments of the Grant County policies to the Board.

Mark Stead, seconded by Porter Wagner made a motion to approve the amendments to the Grant County Administration Manual for the policy on Deposits with the Treasurer. Motion carried.

- Deposits with the Treasurer changes made:
  - a) Deposits must be delivered to the Treasurer's Office prior to 2:00 p.m. each day for banking purposes **with the exception of the last working day of each month when deposits must be in the Treasurer's office no later than 12:00 p.m. (noon)**
  - b) Departments are **required to make deposits daily** when they receive money unless their **total** deposit is less than ~~\$100.00~~ **\$500.00** but **should may** not **be held longer than one week hold any deposits longer than on week.**
  - c) **Departments must ensure amounts received but not yet deposited with the Treasurer are safeguarded (including restrictively endorsed) and kept in a secure location.**
  - d) **Deposits must include a transmittal slip including the following information (sample attached) include the Cash Receipts Proof List with the deposit.**
    - ~~Department name or whom the receipt should be made out to~~
    - ~~Amount and account number(s) to be credited~~
    - ~~Account description~~
    - ~~Amount of check and or cash~~
  - e) When a department is submitting more than one check or is submitting a combination of cash and ~~a check~~/check(s) or cash and a ~~money order~~/money order(s), then the department must also submit to the County Treasurer with the deposit a calculator tape showing the individual deposits to be made and the total.

~~Grant County Deposit Transmittal Form (Form was discarded).~~

Seminar Policy ***sent back to Executive Committee for further review.***

Approval for contract for WI Hazmat Response System Services 2019-2021: Chair Keeney presented the request in Steve Braun, Emergency Management Director's absence.

Emergency Management is requesting renewal of an existing contract with the state; there are no significant changes to the agreement since the last time it was approved. The renewal has been approved by Ben Wood, Corporation Counsel.

Grant County receives \$15,812 per year in exchange for providing hazardous materials response services to the region (including calls within Grant County). Local fire departments' supply trained personnel. When the hazmat team is called out to respond under this agreement, personnel are

considered state employees for purposes of workers compensation, and are considered state agents for purposes of liability and indemnity.

The funding is used to cover equipment expenses and training costs for the hazmat team.

This contract was approved by the Law Enforcement/Emergency Management Committee.

A motion was made by Greg Fry, seconded by Mike Lieurance to approve the contract for Wisconsin Hazardous Materials Response System Services for the Grant County Emergency Management for the duration from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2021. ***Copies can be obtained for review at the Emergency Management Department, 1000 North Adams Street, Lancaster, WI and the Grant County Clerk's office, Administration Building, 111 South Jefferson Street, Lancaster, WI.*** Motion carried.

Progress Report, Discussion & Possible action on Grant County Community Services Facility: Brad Biermen, EPIC welcomed the Board to the new facility to see the beautiful building and the technology. He stated by Wednesday ADRC and Social Service Departments will be all moved in. They are just touching up a few places in the building. After July 4<sup>th</sup> the training will start for the departments in the building. The next discussion to take place will be on the demolishing of the 52 Building, the Life Building and there are some tunnels that lead from that structure to the old Asylum that will have to be addressed. They may have some asbestos wrapped pipes in them and they are starting to crumble with the heavy farm machinery going over them, they will start becoming a hazard in the future. The plan is that nothing will be buried on site; all materials will be ground up and taken to a land fill, the process is planned to take about two weeks.

Brad presented the change orders as follows:

a) <u>Change orders</u>			
Contract 9A- Ceilings		\$ 1,067.00	Ceiling in property storage
Contract 23-HVAC	CB29	\$ 4,531.00	Exhaust ductwork/ temp control
	CB33	\$ 7,852.00	IT Room fire suppression dampers
		\$ 1,469.00	Condensing Unit Stands
		\$ 1,182.00	Hydronic pipe coverings
		\$ 2,276.00	Kitchen stainless backsplash
		\$ 1,717.00	Construction filters
		\$ 173.00	Ceiling grilles
		\$ 2,819.00	Residential dryer venting
Contract 26-Electrical, Communications, and Security Electronics			
	RFI49	\$ 9,818.00	IT Changes
	RFI51	\$11,976.00	IT Changes
	RFI53	\$12,474.00	IT Changes
	RFI54	<u>\$ 4,690.00</u>	IT Changes
<b>TOTAL CHANGE ORDERS</b>		<b>\$62,044.00</b>	



A motion was made by Roger Guthrie, seconded by Gary Northouse, to approve the change orders as presented by EPIC, Brad Bierman in the amount of \$62,044.00. Motion carried.

- b) RFP for marketing of Law Enforcement Site/possible action: Chair Keeney handed out the updated version of the RFP that was discussed at the May County Board Meeting which will be used going forward to sell the parcels at the current Law Enforcement site. Chair Keeney informed the Board there has been an interested party who has contacted him but they are not interested in moving forward for a couple years.

The following are the updated parcels which will be publish for the sale of the property.

### Legal Notice of Sale of Real Estate

The Grant County Treasurer hereby causes publication of this notice to identify each county-owned parcel of land for sale.

The RFP is available online at [www.co.grant.wi.gov](http://www.co.grant.wi.gov) under RFPs on the left-hand side. (Sale of Real Property, Grant County WI). All of the information regarding the sale of these parcels is outlined in the RFP. If you have further questions, please contact Robert Keeney at 608-723-2711 or [rkeeney@co.grant.wi.gov](mailto:rkeeney@co.grant.wi.gov) .

The RFP was issued on Monday 6/3/2019, and proposals are to be submitted by 3:00 pm on 7/8/2019.

*\*Grant County will consider bid(s) most advantageous for Grant County. All land will be sold on the "as-is" basis. Grant County reserves the right to reject any or all bids.*

Parcel Number(s)	Property Address	Municipality
246-01277-0000	925 N Madison	City of Lancaster
246-01278-0000	901 N Madison	City of Lancaster
246-01298-0000	910 N Adams	City of Lancaster
246-01299-0000	920 N Adams	City of Lancaster
246-01274-0010	City Limits Rd	City of Lancaster
246-01302-0000	City Limits Rd	City of Lancaster

- c) Disposal of furniture/equipment in the 52 Building: Chair Keeney stated discussions will have to start taking place on the remaining furniture that is still in the 52

Building. Wiederholt is hoping to start demolishing the building in about three weeks. The furnishings will have to be dealt with in that time span.

Porter Wagner suggested publishing the remaining things on face book to see if any of the community citizen, other municipalities, businesses, or maybe some charitable organizations would be interested in taking the items.

Progress Report on City of Lancaster Sewer extension project: Chair Keeney reported Rules was here on Monday to complete their restoration on the forced main project. They are hoping to receive the screen sometime in mid- July; there will be two weeks of work to complete that phase. They are hoping to complete the whole sewer project by the fist of September.

Comprehensive Plan Change: None

Zoning Amendment: Justin Johnson presented the Zoning Amendment 557 to the Board. All petitions were approved by the Conservation, Sanitation, and Zoning Committee and the Township Boards.

A motion was made by Mark Stead, seconded by Lester Jantzen, to approve Zoning Amendment 557 including petitions 19-07, 19-08, 19-09, 19-10 as stated below. ***(Gary Northouse abstained from voting on Petition 19-09, James Tollefson, Hickory Grove Township)***. Motion carried.

**557<sup>th</sup> AMENDMENT TO THE  
GRANT COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE  
June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

**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 #19-07:** Rezone request for Parkside Estates, LLC, PIN: 026-00212-0010, to change the zoning classification from Agricultural-2 (A2) to Residential-1 (R1), to allow for the creation of 4 outlots less than 200' in width. This is for +/- 4.0 ac in the SW ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 3, T1N, R2W in Jamestown Township

**PETITION #19-08:** Rezone request for Kieler Mall, Inc, PIN: 026-00313-0000, to change the zoning classification from Commercial-2 (C2) to Commercial-1 (C1), to allow for the reduction of

setbacks to property lines. This is for +/- .51 ac in the SE ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 4, T1N, R2W in Jamestown Township

**PETITION #19-09:** Rezone request for James Tollefson, PIN: 024-00560-0000 to change the zoning classification from Farmland Preservation (FP) to Agricultural-2 (A2), to allow for the use of a nonfarm residence. This is for +/- 1.04 ac in the NW ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 25, T7N, R2W, in Hickory Grove Township

**PETITION #19-10:** Rezone request for Lester Vondra, PIN: 056-00502-0000 to change the zoning classification from Commercial-1(C1) to Agricultural-2 (A2), to allow for the use of a nonfarm residence. This is for +/- 2.0 ac in the SW ¼ of the SE ¼ & SE ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 21, T4N, R3W, in South Lancaster Township

Adopted by the Grant County Board of Supervisors this 18<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2019

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

Dog Claim(s): Grant County Humane Society: Roger Guthrie presented the dog claim from the Grant County Humane Society to the Board for one stray dog claim for a cost of \$150.00.

A motion was made by Roger Guthrie, seconded by Greg Fry to approve paying the amount of \$150.00 for one stray dog taken to the Grant County Humane Society. Motion carried.

Discussion on Administrator Position: Chair Keeney turned the floor over to John Beinborn because he had requested this item be placed on the agenda. John Beinborn stated he felt the Board needed to further discuss this issue, it has been presented and discussed at the Administrative Committee, presentations have been given at the County Board level with no definitive conclusion. He stated there was talk in forming an Ad Hoc Committee to further explore County Governing options but that has gone nowhere. Chair Keeney stated he had brought that possibility up at the April Board meeting regarding establishing an Ad Hoc Committee. He stated some of the Board Members had reached out to him wanting to serve on that committee; others stated there should be a limit on County Board Members serving on it. Chair Keeney stated he had reached out to some Elected Officials and also some Department Heads, but there seemed to be little interest. He stated with implementing the move into the new facility has hindered this; it has been put on the back burner for now.

Patrick Schroeder, seconded by John Patcle, made a motion to continue the form of Government Grant County currently has and there should be no further discussion on other options for County Administrative options in this legislative term.

Discussion was opened. Many of the Board members felt further discussions were needed. Carol Beals stated it would be unfair to the citizens of Grant County to just abandon this issue after having special presentations given by Wisconsin Counties Association, Jon Hockhammer and also other Counties. Gary Ranum stated he knows there have been County Board Members who had reached out to be placed on an Ad Hoc Committee and he felt it was important to explore all options.

Roger Guthrie stated that was fine to further discuss the issue but once a decision had been made than this issue should be done, there should be no going back for more discussion.

Carol Beals stated to be clear, if the citizens did not like the decision the County Board came up with, they have the right to submit a petition to force a referenda. Ben Wood, Corporation Counsel stated they could force either an Executive or an Administrator position by a petition.

Ben Wood, Corporation Counsel stated he wanted to warn the Board on the implications of selecting a special committee because of how contentious this issue is among the Board. No matter what decision would be made there would be questions on who was on this committee and how were they chosen. Ben recommended this decision should be decided by the full County Board. Gary Ranum stated maybe the Board should meet as a Committee as a Whole and only discuss this one topic.

Chair Keeney asked the Board what tasks would be given to this Ad Hoc Committee, make a job description, list benefits/wages, what style of governing would they be looking at, what time lines were expected, 6 months, one year, three years, etc. Chair Keeney does agree that the full Board needs to discuss the outline of what they would like the committee to address. These tasks should be outlined; otherwise the Board Members will just continue to kick the can down the road with no conclusion.

Robert Scallon stated maybe the people should get a vote on this issue. Ben Wood again reiterated the only choice a referenda would be an Executive. Robert Scallon stated this discussion has been going on for a long time; it started back with Larry Wolf. The Board is split on this issue and that is not good for the citizens of Grant County, it has gone on too long.

The motion was brought up by Roger Guthrie. Ben Wood stated you cannot make a motion to never bring this issue up again. You can say "at this point" we will vote to not discuss this issue again, but you can't make it go away in the future.

Patrick Schroeder stated this conversation has gone on for a long time; 16 years in his recollection. If the citizens don't like what the Board decides, they can bring it forth as referenda to vote on. He went on to say the Board is divided enough that they only represent a certain number of people; City of Platteville would have the most representation, but that is just how it is.

Again the opinion of the Attorney General was brought up again by Chair Keeney. This has been a challenge because in the opinion County Chairs should not hold the position.

Greg Frey wanted this discussed so they know as a Board what steps they need to do in order to get results. Carol Beals stated that is the results they all would like to have, there have been discussion in certain groups but never at the full County Board level with all 17 Supervisors present. She would recommend voting against the motion on the floor.

Porter Wagner stated he felt the presentation that was given to the County Board Members by Jon Hochkammer was very good, but the item has never been brought to a County Board Meeting since then. There was reference to starting an Ad Hoc Committee but the issue was never brought back to the County Board meeting for full discussion. Ben Wood again stated he felt that this was too important of an issue to just have it discussed by a few on a committee; the full County Board needs to be involved. Porter Wagner went on to say, he felt the motion made to just stop any discussions would be more damaging then helpful. He feels the Board Members need to discuss this, get their concerns out, state their differences, lay it out on the table and then go on from there.

For a point of order, Corporation Counsel Ben Wood reviewed the minutes of the Administrative Committee on April 12, 2019 to see if a motion had been made to form an Ad Hoc Committee, he found no motion, Chair Keeney stated the possibility in Communications.

Roger Guthrie stated if this motion fails then when would this be brought up for discussion again so it is over and done with. Chair Keeney stated that is the problem he feels this would best be handled by an Ad Hoc Committee consisting of some Board Members, a couple Department Heads, a couple Elected Officials and possibly some citizen members. Chair Keeney stated this can be discussed at the County Board level but he does not see the pros and cons changing. Carol Beals said she agreed with Porter Wagner, this needs to start at the County Board level so they are all in agreement as to how to go forward.

Patrick Schroeder’s motion was reiterated, he asked for a roll call vote. A “**YES**” vote represents not to have any more communication on the County Government style until after the April 2020 Election. A “**NO**” vote represents opening up the discussions again.

**MOTION:** Patrick Schroeder, seconded by John Patcle, made a motion to continue the form of Government Grant County currently has and there should be not further discussion on other options for County Administrative options in this legislative term.

**ROLL CALL VOTE**

DATE: June 18, 2019

QUESTION: To continue with County Administration discussion or not.

**\*\*YES means to dissolve further discussion, NO means to continue on with more discussion.**

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>EXCUSED</b>
1. GARY RANUM		X	
2. GARY NORTHOUSE		X	
3. ROBERT SCALLON		X	
4. ROBERT KEENEY	X		
5. ROGER GUTHRIE	X		
6. JOHN PATCLE	X		
7. GREGORY FRY		X	
8. PATRICK SCHROEDER	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. PORTER WAGNER		X	

County Clerk took the roll call vote resulting in 5 YES votes and 12 NO votes, therefore motion failed.

A motion was made by John Patcle, seconded by Greg Fry, to hold a special Grant County Board of Supervisor meeting allowing Department Head input as well as County Board Member input; inviting Jon Hochkammer, Outreach Manager, Wisconsin Counties Association to facilitate the discussion solely on the Administrative style of government for Grant County. Motion carried.

Further discussion took place. Ben Wood stated the meeting needs to be set far enough in the future so they can all be prepared with questions have the appropriate materials at hand. If a meeting was held at the next County Board Meeting, he fears the results would be the same as it is now. A number of the Board wanted the Department Heads involved giving them ample time to speak and their opinions not being held against them in the future. They did not feel at this point this should be a public meeting, this needs to be discussed among the Board and Department Heads first to see how that would play out. Carol Beals stated this is a very large decision; not only a philosophical move but also a historical move for the County. Carol did not think an hour meeting was enough to fully discuss this issue.

Patrick Schroder stated he felt if the Board did make a decision as the Governing Committee and the people did not like the outcome, either side can go out and recruit people to get the answer they want. He sees this as a never ending issue. He stated the purpose for his previous motion was to bring this issue to an end.

After more discussion on a time to hold this special meeting, John Patcle reiterated his motion adding a proposed date and time.

A motion was made by John Patcle, seconded by Greg Fry, to hold a special Grant County Board of Supervisor meeting on September 17, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. allowing Department Head input as well as County Board Member input; inviting Jon Hochkammer, Outreach Manager, Wisconsin Counties Association to facilitate the discussion solely on the Administrative style of government for Grant County. Motion carried.

Command Central quote on new voting equipment for Grant County: This item will be held over to address at the July Grant County Board of Supervisor meeting. The County Clerk did not receive the final number of voting machines needed from the Municipalities to submit to Command Central for the final cost.

Committee Reports: Due to the length of the meeting, Lester Jantzen, seconded by John Patcle made a motion to postpone Committee Reports until the next County Board of Supervisor Meeting. Motion carried.

Roger Guthrie stated he did want to address one item regarding the Fair. Most of the County Board Members have received a letter from disgruntled citizens regarding the cut-off date for animal entry dates. The Fair is standing by the stated cut-off date made for the animal entry date; otherwise this same issue will happen each year. Amy Olson stated she had a conversation with the interested parties; so this would not be a negative experience for the children, they were told they can enter their animal(s) as an open class entry to compete. They would just not be able to sell their animal(s) at the auction. They can independently sell their animal(s) to interested buyers after the fair, but would not qualify to participate in the fair auction of the animals.

Adjournment to July 16, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.: John Patcle, seconded by Porter Wagner, made a motion to adjourn the meeting pursuant to the next meeting on July 16, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. which will be held back in the Administration Building County Board Conference Room. Motion carried.