

Grant County Board of Supervisors
June 15, 2021
Administration Building
111 S. Jefferson t. Room 264
Lancaster, WI 53813

The Grant County Board of Supervisors meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chairman Robert Keeney. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Chairman Keeney asked the County Clerk, Tonya White to verify that the meeting was held in compliance with open meeting law. White verified the meeting was posted at the Grant County Administration Building, Grant County Courthouse and on the county website.

Roll Call was taken with seventeen (17) members present in the room: Carol Beals, John Beinborn, Greg Fry, Roger Guthrie, Dale Hood, Lester Jantzen, Robert Keeney, Mike Lieurance, Dwight Nelson, Gary Northouse, John Patcle, Gary Ranum, Robert Scallon, Pat Schroeder, Donald Splinter, Mark Stead and Porter Wagner.

Others present in the room: Lori Reid, ADRC; Ben Wood, Corporation Council; Tonya White, County Clerk; Amy Olson, Fair; Jon Knautz, Highway Department; Shane Drinkwater, IT; Joyce Roling, Personnel; Nate Dreckman, Sheriff's Office; Carrie Eastlick, Treasurer and Ken McAndrew, Veterans.

Others present virtually: Carrie Kerstiens, Child Support; Tina McDonald, Clerk of Court; Justin Johnson, CSZD; Steve Braun, Emergency Management; Amanda Degenhardt, Finance; Jeff Kindrai, Health Department; Carol Schwartz, Orchard Manor; Andrea Noethe, Register of Deeds; Fred Naatz, Social Services; Garry Pluemer, Maintenance; Karla Schwantes, County Clerk; David Timmerman, Herald Independent; Doug Wagen, Bennet Goldstein, Telegraph Herald; Misty Molzof, City of Boscobel; Kathy Klein, Jamie Kreul and Tim Hundt, Congressional Aide for Representative Ron Kind.

Agenda: Chairman Keeney asked the board for approval of the agenda. Lester Jantzen, second by John Beinborn made a motion to approve the agenda. Motion carried by voice vote.

Minutes: Dwight Nelson, second by Mike Lieurance made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 18, 2021 meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

Communications: Chairman Keeney turned the meeting over to Amy Olson who presented information on the upcoming Grant County Fair which will take place August 15, 2021 through August 22, 2021.

Chairman Keeney reported the first tranche of the American Rescue Plan Act has been deposited.

Chairman Keeney reported that due to a scheduling conflict the presentation and action on the Grant County Strategic Plan will take place at the July meeting.

Employee Recognition: There are no employee recognitions.

Appointments: There are no appointments.

Grants: Steve Braun, Emergency Management, presented the EMPG-S grant. The grant is for \$10,574.00 with a 50% match that can be utilized through COVID costs. Gary Ranum, second by Greg Fry made a motion to approve the grant application. Motion carried by voice vote.

Action to Rescind previous motion to elect 3 members to Social Services: At last month's meeting, action was taken for Greg Fry, Lester Jantzen and Don Splinter to remain on Social Services board. After some research, Don Splinter should have had a longer term and Robert Scallon should have been the member replaced. Corporation Council recommended rescinding last month's motion and taking action to elect the correct three members. Greg Fry, second by John Beinborn made a motion to rescind the previous action of three year terms for Greg Fry, Lester Jantzen and Don Splinter. Motion carried by voice vote.

Election of 3 members to the Social Services Board for term to expire in 2021: John Beinborn, second by Pat Schroeder made a motion to nominate Greg Fry, Lester Jantzen and Robert Scallon. Chairman Keeney called for nominations three times. John Patcle, second by Don Splinter made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Greg Fry, Lester Jantzen and Robert Scallon. Motion carried by voice vote.

577th Zoning Amendment: Justin Johnson presented the 577th Zoning Amendment filed by James and Julie Klinger, Platteville Township to the board. Mark Stead, second by Lester Jantzen made a motion to approve the 577th Zoning Amendment. Motion carried by voice vote.

Discussion and Possible Action on CDBG-Close Projects: The Rollo Jamison Museum bid opening was yesterday. There were no bids submitted so the bid process has been extended to July 12, 2021.

COVID-19 Update, Discussion, and Possible Action: As of today's date Grant County is on the fourth day without a confirmed case. In June, hospitalizations have improved. In the past fourteen days Grant County has averaged 1.3 cases per day; 50% of the cases are under the age of 18, 6% are over the age of 65. Grant County is considered medium by the state.

In Grant County, 40.8% have received at least one dose. The rates among 20-24 year olds significantly lag the state's rate. Only 15.7% have completed the first dose and 13.5% have completed the series. For 16 and 17 year olds, 26.2% have received at least one dose and 21.4% have completed the series. For 12-15 year olds, 17.1% have received at least one dose and 6.7% completed the series.

Grant County Circuit Court has amended the operational plan effective June 7, 2021 to return to pre-COVID operations. The amendment was signed by Judge Day and approved by Judge Van De Hey.

Discussion and Possible Action on Proclamation #14: Porter Wagner, second by Gary Northouse made a motion to ratify Proclamation #14 Guidance on Masks in Grant County Facilities. Motion carried by voice vote.

Discussion and Possible Action on COVID Related Meetings: This item was brought back from the May meeting to verify the recommendation of other committees. At the Administrative Committee meeting, the recommendation was for County Board members to attend in person in order to have voting rights, to earn per diems and was during the emergency declaration. No action was taken.

Discussion and Possible Action on Grant County Policies: On the Grant County Procurement Policy there were some changes, under Definition and Process the useful life was changed from two years to one year to be consistent throughout the manual. Another change under 2d, Public works will be addressed by the statute. Pat Schroeder, second by Greg Fry made a motion to approve the Procurement Policy with the changes of expendable property change to useful life of one year, custodial asset of at least one year and capital asset of over one year. Motion carried by voice vote.

Grant County Courthouse and Administration Building Facilities Policy – There were some changes to the policy. The policy stated space heaters were prohibited but now will be allowed. Pat Schroeder, second by Greg Fry made a motion to approve the policy with the changes and to amend the CSB policy to strike space heaters. Pat Schroeder, second by Greg Fry made the motion to amend the previous motion to approve the facilities policy for the Grant County Courthouse and Administration Building. Motion carried by voice vote.

No action taken at this time on the Remote Work Policy.

Dog Claim(s): Pat Schroeder, second by John Beinborn made a motion contingent on the approval by the Ag, Extension and Fair Committee, to pay three outstanding invoices to Grant County Humane Society in the total of \$465. Motion carried by voice vote.

Committee Reports: Mark Stead gave a report on Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning Committee.
Pat Schroeder gave an update on the Fair Board Committee.
Robert Scallon gave an update on Hidden Valley.
Gary Ranum gave an update on UCS and Executive Committee.
Lester Jantzen gave an update on Veteran's Office.
John Beinborn gave an update on Economic Development.
Don Splinter gave an update on the Highway Committee.
Carol Beals gave an update on the Board of Health Committee.

Adjournment: Mark Stead, second by John Patcle made a motion to adjourn the meeting pursuant to the next County Board meeting on July 20, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. Motion carried by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

Note: Grant County resolutions and ordinances are available for viewing at the Grant County Clerk's Office.