

Grant County Board of Supervisors
November 15, 2022
Administration Building
111 S. Jefferson Street, 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, on the county website and in the Herald Independent.

Roll call was taken with 14 members present in the room: Gary Ranum, Gary Northouse, Robert Scallon, Robert Keeney, Roger Guthrie, Joseph Mumm, Patrick Schroeder, Elias Cox, Carol Beals, Diane Nelson, Kathy Kopp, Porter Wagner, Donald Splinter and Brian Lucey. Present virtually one (1) member: John Beinborn. Adam Day and Brandon Snyder were absent. Chairman Keeney asked the Board to approve John Beinborn to participate and vote by Zoom per Board rules. Porter Wagner, second by Elias Cox made a motion to approve John Beinborn to participate by Zoom. Motion carried by voice vote.

Approval of Agenda: Roger Guthrie, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Motion carried by voice vote.

Approval of the Minutes: Porter Wagner, second by Diane Nelson made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 4, 2022 meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

Communications: Chairman Keeney submitted a letter to Public Service Commission asking to use the Environmental Fee for the water main loop, future use of the Swig Study, Clean Sweep Program, watershed group and the environmental impacts of the communications project. The Public Service Commission did reply back that all of those uses were approved.

The DNR also sent a letter pertaining to the snowmobile routes.

Grant County received a dividend from Work Comp policy with the renewal.

The Ag, Extension and Fair Committee listened to a presentation regarding hosting Farm Technology Days in 2025 or 2026.

Employee Recognition(s): Chairman Keeney recognized Annette Hochhausen for 41 years of service.

Appointments: There were no appointments.

Grants: Steve Braun, Emergency Management Director presented the Next Gen GIS Grant. Patrick Schroeder, second by Gary Northouse made a motion to approve the grant. Motion carried by voice vote.

Sheriff Dreckman presented the Seatbelt Grant. John Beinborn, second by Robert Scallon made a motion to approve the grant. Motion carried by voice vote.

Sheriff Dreckman presented the Bodycam Grant. Elias Cox, second by Porter Wagner made a motion to approve the grant. Motion carried by voice vote.

Sheriff Dreckman presented the Speed Grant. Gary Northouse, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to approve the grant. Motion carried by voice vote.

Clark Thelemann presented the Relative Caregiver Support Funding for Social Services. Robert Scallon, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to approve the grant. Motion carried by voice vote.

Clark Thelemann presented the Expansion of Community Based Services for Social Services. Gary Ranum, second by Diane Nelson made a motion to approve the grant. Motion carried by voice vote.

Update on Fiber Optics/Communication Project: Sheriff Dreckman and Shane Drinkwater, IT Director gave an update on the project.

Brandon Snyder joined the meeting by Zoom. Chairman Keeney asked the Board to approve Brandon Snyder to participate and vote by Zoom per Board rules. Carol Beals, second by Roger Guthrie made a motion to approve Brandon Snyder to participate by Zoom. Motion carried by voice vote.

589th Zoning Amendment: Erik Heagle, CSZD Administrator presented the 589th Amendment for Joshua and Loni Klaas in Town of Paris, Joshua Baumgartner in Town of Hickory Grove, Hudspeth Auto Parts LLC in Town of Paris, David and Shelley Reuter in Town of Potosi, LM Helbing LLC in Town of Jamestown and Kent and Sharon Hillery in Town of Potosi. Patrick Schroeder, second by Porter Wagner made a motion to approve the 589th Zoning Amendment. Motion carried by voice vote.

Amendment to Chapter 315 Section 3.16 Permissible Modifications of the Grant County

Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance: Erik Heagle, CSZD Administrator presented the amendment. Porter Wagner, second by Elias Cox made a motion to approve the amendment to Chapter 315 Section 3.16 Permissible Modifications of the Grant County Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance. Motion carried by voice vote.

Discussion and Possible Action on out of budget spending for County Board Room Improvements:

Garry Pluemer, Facilities and Maintenance Manager presented the improvements for new carpet, electrical for microphones, laptops and tablets. Gary Ranum, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to approve the out of budget spending for the County Board Room improvements not to exceed \$16,000 with funds coming from the general fund. A roll call vote was taken with sixteen (16) Yes and one (1) absent, therefore motion passed.

Discussion and Possible Action on the arrangement of the County Board Room: Chairman Keeney turned the meeting over to Supervisor Carol Beals for discussion on the arrangement of the County Board Room. Beals explained that with the improvements in the board room that it would be a good time to look at changing the layout of the room. Carol Beals, second by Elias Cox made a motion to refer it back to the Administrative Committee to come back with a recommendation for the December 2022 County Board meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

Discussion and Possible Action on out of budget spending for Senior Care Market and Financial

Operation Study: Alesha Erdenberger, Orchard Manor Administrator presented the Senior Care Market and Financial Operation Study. Roger Guthrie, second by Robert Scallon made a motion to approve up to

\$33,000 to come from Orchard Manor general fund for the Senior Care Market and Financial Operation Study. A roll call vote was taken with sixteen (16) Yes and one (1) absent, therefore motion passed.

Discussion and Possible Action on fiber optic connection to UW Platteville using ARPA funding: Shane Drinkwater, IT Director presented the UW Platteville fiber optic connection. Porter Wagner, second by Brandon Snyder made a motion to allow for out of budget spending using ARPA funding for the connection to UW Platteville. A roll call vote was taken with sixteen (16) Yes and one (1) absent, therefore motion passed.

Convene to Public Hearing for 2023 Budget: Donald Splinter, second by John Beinborn made a motion to convene to the public hearing for the 2023 budget. Motion carried by voice vote.

Reconvene to County Board meeting: Roger Guthrie, second by Gary Ranum made a motion to reconvene to the County Board meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

Adoption of the 2023 Budget: Gary Ranum, second by Roger Guthrie made a motion to approve the 2023 budget. A roll call vote was taken with fifteen (15) Yes, one (1) No (Donald Splinter) and one (1) absent, therefore motion passed.

Resolution Regarding General Tax Levy: Amanda Degenhardt, Finance Director presented the resolution. Porter Wagner, second by Carol Beals made the motion to approve the resolution regarding general tax levy. A roll call vote was taken with sixteen (16) Yes and one (1) absent, therefore motion passed.

Resolution Establishing Non-Represented Wages for 2023: Joyce Roling, Personnel Director presented the resolution. Carol Beals, second by Gary Northouse made a motion to approve the resolution establishing non-represented wages for 2023. A roll call vote was taken with sixteen (16) Yes and one (1) absent, therefore motion passed.

Resolution Establishing Grant County Board Chair Salary for 2023: Joyce Roling, Personnel Director presented the resolution. Gary Northouse, second Patrick Schroeder made a motion to approve the resolution for County Board Chair. A roll call vote was taken with fifteen (15) Yes, one (1) abstain (Robert Keeney) and one (1) absent, therefore motion passed.

Resolution Authorizing the County Treasurer to Settle in full the General Taxes for the Tax Roll Year 2022, collectable in 2023: Carrie Eastlick, County Treasurer presented the resolution. Gary Ranum, second by Carol Beals made a motion to approve the resolution authorizing the County Treasurer to settle in full the general taxes for the tax roll year 2022, collectible in 2023. A roll call vote was taken with sixteen (16) Yes and one (1) absent, therefore motion passed.

Resolution Regarding the Investment of County Funds: Carrie Eastlick, County Treasurer presented the resolution. John Beinborn, second Kathy Kopp made a motion to approve the resolution regarding the investment of County funds. A roll call vote was taken sixteen (16) Yes and one (1) absent, therefore motion passed.

Resolution Regarding County Orders: Carrie Eastlick, County Treasurer presented the resolution. Porter Wagner, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to approve the resolution regarding county orders. A roll call vote was taken with sixteen (16) Yes and one (1) absent, therefore motion passed.

Resolution County Construction and Maintenance during the calendar year of 2023: Jon Knautz, Highway Commissioner presented the resolution. Donald Splinter, second by Gary Northouse made a motion to approve the resolution authorizing the county construction and maintenance during the calendar year 2023. A roll call vote was taken with sixteen (16) Yes one (1) absent, therefore motion passed.

Resolution County Aid Bridge Construction: Jon Knautz, Highway Commissioner presented the resolution. Roger Guthrie, second by Diane Nelson made a motion to approve the resolution regarding county aid bridge construction. A roll call vote was taken with sixteen (16) Yes one (1) absent, therefore motion passed.

Resolution Regarding County Road Aid – Townships: Jon Knautz, Highway Commissioner presented the resolution. Gary Ranum, second by Elias Cox made a motion to approve the resolution regarding county road aid to townships. A roll call vote was taken with sixteen (16) Yes one (1) absent, therefore motion passed.

Resolution Regarding County Road Aid – Villages: Jon Knautz, Highway Commissioner presented the resolution. Roger Guthrie, second by Donald Splinter made a motion to approve the resolution regarding county road aid for villages. A roll call vote was taken with sixteen (16) Yes one (1) absent, therefore motion passed.

Resolution Regarding County Road Aid – Cities: Jon Knautz, Highway Commissioner presented the resolution. John Beinborn, second by Robert Scallon made a motion to approve the resolution regarding county road aid for cities. A roll call vote was taken with sixteen (16) Yes one (1) absent, therefore motion passed.

Resolution Authorizing Participation in Public Funding for Snowmobile Trails: Porter Wagner, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion authorizing participation in public funding for snowmobile trails. A roll call vote was taken with sixteen (16) Yes one (1) absent, therefore motion passed.

Discussion and Possible Action on 2021 General Fund Balance Excess According to Grant County Fund Balance Policy – Approximately \$678,000: Gary Ranum, second by Porter Wagner made a motion to approve moving the excess funds of \$678,630 from the general fund to the capital projects funds. A roll call vote was taken with sixteen (16) Yes one (1) absent, therefore motion passed.

Discussion and Possible Action on Development Agreement with the City of Lancaster for Municipal Water Extension to the Grant County Farm Property – Orchard Manor/CSB Campus: Joseph Mumm, second by Porter Wagner made a motion to approve the development agreement with the City of Lancaster. Motion carried by voice vote.

Memorandum of Understanding for Leased Employee and Support Services for Grant County Economic Development Corporation: Joyce Roling, Personnel Director presented the MOU. John Beinborn, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to approve the memorandum of understanding for leased employee and support services for Grant County Economic Development Corporation. A roll call vote was taken with sixteen (16) Yes one (1) absent, therefore motion passed.

Personnel Policy Updates: Joyce Roling, Personnel Director presented the updated policies. Gary Northouse, second by Patrick Schroeder made a motion to approve the revised promoted or transferred employee policy, classification review policy and non-rep pay policy. Motion carried by voice vote.

Porter Wagner, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to approve the revised telecommuting policy. Motion carried by voice vote.

Dog Claims: Patrick Schroeder, second by Robert Scallon made a motion to approve \$320 to Grant County Humane Society contingent on action by Ag, Extension and Fair Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

Committee Reports: Committee Reports were waived.

Adjournment: Roger Guthrie, second by Gary Northouse made a motion to forego the Committee Reports and adjourn to December 20, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. Motion carried by voice vote.