Grant County Board of Supervisors
April 16, 2024
Administration Building
111 S. Jefferson Street
Lancaster, WI 53813

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

Roll call was taken with sixteen (16) present in the room: Gary Ranum, Gary Northouse, Robert Scallon, Robert Keeney, Roger Guthrie, Joseph Mumm, Adam Day, Patrick Schroeder, Rick Sanson, Carol Beals, Diane Nelson, Kathy Kopp, Lester Jantzen, John Beinborn, Mark Vosberg and Brian Lucey. Kelly Fredrickson asked to be excused.

**Oath of Office for the Grant County Board of Supervisors**: Corporation Counsel Ben Wood administered the Oath of Office to the Board of Supervisors for their next two-year term. Corporation Counsel had everyone go around the room and introduce themselves.

**Election for County Board Chair:** Corporation Counsel Ben Wood opened the floor for nominations for County Board Chair. Gary Northouse nominated Robert Keeney for County Board Chair. Corporation Counsel, Ben Wood called for nominations three times. Patrick Schroeder, second by John Beinborn made the motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Robert Keeney. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Election for First Vice Chair:** Corporation Counsel Ben Wood opened the floor for nominations for Vice Chair. Patrick Schroeder nominated Roger Guthrie for First Vice Chair. Corporation Counsel, Ben Wood called for nominations three times. Lester Jantzen, second by John Beinborn made the motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Roger Guthrie. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Approval of Agenda:** Gary Northouse, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to approve the agenda. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Approval of Minutes:** Diane Nelson, second by John Beinborn made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 19, 2024 meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Communications:** Chairman Keeney thanked Donald Splinter and Porter Wagner for their contribution to the Board. Travis Tranel presented Donald Splinter a citation for his 25 years of service at the Executive Committee meeting.

In the welcome packet provided by WCA the schedule for COWS training is provided. There is training in Prairie du Chien this year.

There have been two appreciation meals and there are three left; CSB on the 17<sup>th</sup>, CSZD and UCS on the 23<sup>rd</sup> and Orchard Manor on the 24<sup>th</sup>.

Lori Reid, ADRC Director will be sending out an email regarding the Aging Plan that they are required to do.

**Appointments:** Gary Ranum, second by Robert Scallon made a motion to appoint Mark Hoehne, representing leader in the faith community and Mike Foley, representing school administrator to CJCC. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Grants:** Chief Deputy Travis Klaas presented the grant for Officer Wellness. Joseph Mumm, second by John Beinborn made a motion to approve the Officer Wellness grant for \$8,000 with no match. Motion carried by voice vote.

Amy Olson, Fairgrounds and Operations Director presented the grant for six baby changing stations through the Lancaster Community Foundation, in the amount of \$1,712.65. Patrick Schroeder, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to approve the grant. Motion carried by voice vote.

Krystle Lorenz, Social Services presented the grant for trauma training in the amount of \$5,000. Robert Scallon, second by Diane Nelson made a motion to approve the grant. Motion carried by voice vote.

**602**<sup>nd</sup> **Zoning Amendment:** Erik Heagle, CSZD Administrator presented the 602<sup>nd</sup> Zoning Amendments for Mike and Bonnie Boge in the Town of Jamestown. Adam Day, second by Brian Lucey made a motion to approve RZ24-05. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Update on Fiber Optics/Communications Project**: Shane Drinkwater, IT Director advised the Board that construction on the Bloomington site has started. IT has also been in communication with the Village of Muscoda regarding fiber optics. IT is also working on a project to move the 911 from Lancaster to Platteville over to the fiber optics loop.

**Resolution 2024-05 Authorizing Participation in Public Funding for Snowmobile Trails**: Chairman Robert Keeney presented Resolution 2024-05 for Snowmobile Trails. Patrick Schroeder, second by John Beinborn made a motion to approve resolution authorizing participation in public funding for snowmobile trails. Motion carried by voice vote.

Discussion and Possible Action on out of budget spending for Unified Community Services for Carlson Dettman Wage Project: Ben Biddick, Human Resources for Unified Community Services presented the request. This would allow UCS to restore the wage scale to update job descriptions, update longevity and make it comparable to the counties they serve. The funding would come from the Unified fund balance totaling \$18,950 plus travel and expenses. This will not affect the tax levy for either county. Carol Beals, second by John Beinborn made a motion to approve Unified Community Services to use \$18,950 in out of budget spending from the Unified fund balance. A roll call vote was taken with eight (8) Yes; Ranum, Northouse, Keeney, Guthrie, Sanson, Beals, Jantzen and Beinborn, eight (8) No; Scallon, Mumm, Day, Schroeder, Nelson, Kopp, Vosberg and Lucey. Frederickson was excused. Therefore, motion failed.

**Discussion and Possible Action on out of budget spending for Facilities and Maintenance for a Genie Lift:** Garry Pluemer, Facilities and Maintenance Manager presented the request. The Genie lift would cost \$4,500. Adam Day, second by Gary Northouse made a motion to approve Facilities and Maintenance to purchase a genie lift with out of budget spending of \$4,500 to come from the general fund. A roll call vote was taken with fifteen (15) Yes; Ranum, Northouse, Scallon, Keeney, Guthrie,

Mumm, Day, Schroeder, Sanson, Nelson, Kopp, Jantzen, Beinborn, Vosberg and Lucey, one (1) No; Beals. Fredrickson was excused. Therefore, motion passed.

**Appointment of County Board Committees:** Chairman Keeney has worked through the committees. A 10-minute recess will be taken while the assignment sheet is passed out. Chairman Keeney reconvened the Board and went over the committee assignments. Patrick Schroeder, second by Roger Guthrie made a motion to accept the distributed committee assignments as prepared by the County Board Chair. Motion carried with one negative vote (Scallon).

## **Election of Standing Committee Chairs:**

The Agriculture & Extension/Fair Committee met on Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at the Administration Building, 111 S. Jefferson Street, Lancaster, WI 53813 in Room 264, Second Floor.

Members present: Gary Northouse, Roger Guthrie, Joseph Mumm, Patrick Schroeder, Kathy Kopp and Mark Vosberg.

The meeting was called to order at 11:07 a.m. by County Board Chair Robert Keeney.

**Election of Chair:** Patrick Schroeder nominated Roger Guthrie for Agriculture and Extension/Fair Committee Chair. Robert Keeney called for nominations three times. Joseph Mumm, second by Patrick Schroeder made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Roger Guthrie. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Election of Vice Chair:** Gary Northouse nominated Joseph Mumm for Agriculture and Extension/Fair Committee Vice Chair. Robert Keeney called for nominations three times. Roger Guthrie, second by Mark Vosberg made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Joseph Mumm. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Election of Secretary:** Patrick Schroeder nominated Kathy Kopp for Agriculture and Extension/Fair Committee Secretary. Robert Keeney called for nominations three times. Roger Guthrie, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Kathy Kopp. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Adjournment:** Roger Guthrie, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote.

The Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning Committee met on Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at the Administration Building, 111 S. Jefferson Street, Lancaster, WI 53813 in Room 264, Second Floor.

Members present: Gary Northouse, Joseph Mumm, Adam Day, Patrick Schroeder, Mark Vosberg and Brian Lucey.

The meeting was called to order at 11:10 a.m. by County Board Chairman Robert Keeney.

**Election of Chair:** Brian Lucey nominated Gary Northouse for Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning Chair. Gary Northouse declined the nomination. Gary Northouse nominated Joseph Mumm for Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning Committee. Robert Keeney asked for nominations three times. Patrick Schroeder,

second by Mark Vosberg made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Joseph Mumm. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Election of Vice Chair:** Patrick Schroeder nominated Gary Northouse for Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning Vice Chair. Robert Keeney asked for nominations three times. Patrick Schroeder, second by Adam Day made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Gary Northouse. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Election of Secretary:** Patrick Schroeder nominated Mark Vosberg for Conservation, Sanitation and Zoning Secretary. Robert Keeney asked for nominations three times. Joseph Mumm, second by Adam Day made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Mark Vosberg. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Adjournment:** Adam Day, second by Patrick Schroeder made a motion to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote.

The Health and Human Services Committee met on Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at the Administration Building, 111 S. Jefferson Street, Lancaster, WI 53813 in Room 264, Second Floor.

Members present: Gary Ranum, Adam Day, Rick Sanson, Carol Beals and Diane Nelson.

The meeting was called to order at 11:13 a.m. by County Board Chair Robert Keeney.

**Election of Chair:** Diane Nelson nominated Gary Ranum. Rick Sanson nominated Carol Beals. Chairman Keeney asked by hand raise for votes. Gary Ranum received three votes and Carol Beals received two votes. Gary Ranum was elected Chair.

**Election of Vice Chair:** Adam Day nominated Carol Beals. Carol Beals declined the nomination. Carol Beals nominated Rick Sanson. Robert Keeney asked for nominations three times. Adam Day, second by Diane Nelson made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Rick Sanson. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Election of Secretary:** Carol Beals nominated Diane Nelson. Robert Keeney asked for nominations three times. Adam Day, second by Rick Sanson made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Diane Nelson. Motion carried by voice vote.

Terms for the Health and Human Services Committee are as follows: Gary Ranum term expires in 2026 Adam Day term expires in 2025 Rick Sanson term expires in 2027 Carol Beals term expires in 2027 Diane Nelson term expires in 2026

**Adjournment:** Adam Day, second by Gary Ranum made a motion to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote.

The Highway Committee met on Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at the Administration Building, 111 S. Jefferson Street, Lancaster WI 53813 in Room 264, Second Floor.

Members present: Gary Northouse, Roger Guthrie, Patrick Schroeder, Diane Nelson and Lester Jantzen.

The meeting was called to order at 11:21 a.m. by County Board Chair Robert Keeney.

**Election of Chair:** Patrick Schroeder nominated Gary Northouse for Highway Chair. Robert Kenney called for nominations three times. Patrick Schroder, second by Lester Jantzen made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Gary Northouse. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Election of Vice Chair:** Roger Guthrie nominated Patrick Schroeder for Highway Vice Chair. Robert Keeney called for nominations three times. Roger Guthrie, second by Patrick Schroeder made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Roger Guthrie. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Election of Secretary:** Gary Northouse nominated Diane Nelson for Highway Secretary. Robert Keeney called for nominations three times. Roger Guthrie, second by Patrick Schroeder made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Diane Nelson. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Adjournment:** Roger Guthrie, second by Gary Northouse made a motion to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote.

The Law Enforcement/Emergency Management Disaster Services Committee met on Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at the Administration Building, 111 S. Jefferson Street, Lancaster, WI 53813 in Room 264, Second Floor.

Members present: Gary Ranum, Adam Day, Rick Sanson, Robert Keeney, Kathy Kopp, John Beinborn and Lester Jantzen.

The meeting was called to order at 11:24 a.m. by County Board Chair Robert Keeney.

**Election of Chair:** Lester Jantzen nominated John Beinborn for Chair. Adam Day nominated Kathy Kopp for Chair. Chairman Keeney asked by hand raise for votes. John Beinborn received two votes and Kathy Kopp received four votes.

**Election of Vice Chair:** Lester Jantzen nominated John Beinborn for Vice Chair. Robert Keeney nominated Adam Day. Adam declined the nomination. Robert Keeney asked for nominations three times. Robert Keeney, second by Rick Sanson made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for John Beinborn. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Election of Secretary:** Gary Ranum nominated Rick Sanson for Secretary. Robert Keeney asked for nominations three times. Robert Keeney, second by Adam Day made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Rick Sanson. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Adjournment:** Gary Ranum, second by Adam Day made a motion to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote.

The Orchard Manor/Farm Committee met on Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at the Administration Building, 111 S. Jefferson Street, Lancaster, WI 53813 in Room 264, Second Floor.

Members present: Roger Guthrie, Joseph Mumm, Rick Sanson, Diane Nelson and Mark Vosberg.

The meeting was called to order at 11:28 a.m. by County Board Chair Robert Keeney.

**Election of Chair:** Diane Nelson nominated Rick Sanson. Robert Keeney asked for nominations three times. Roger Guthrie, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Rick Sanson. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Election of Vice Chair:** Roger Guthrie nominated Diane Nelson. Robert Keeney asked for nominations three times. Joseph Mumm, second by Roger Guthrie made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Diane Nelson. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Secretary:** Roger Guthrie nominated Joseph Mumm. Robert Keeney asked for nominations three times. Roger Guthrie, second by Rick Sanson made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Joseph Mumm. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Adjournment:** Joseph Mumm, second by Roger Guthrie made a motion to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Adjournment:** Patrick Schroeder, second by Robert Scallon made a motion to adjourn to May 21, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. Motion carried by voice vote.