

Grant County Board of Supervisors
June 18, 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 County Board Chairman Robert Keeney. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Chairman Robert Keeney 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 fifteen (15) members present in the room: Gary Ranum, Gary Northouse, Robert Scallon, Robert Keeney, Roger Guthrie, Joseph Mumm, Adam Day, Patrick Schroeder, Carol Beals, Kathy Kopp, Kelly Fredrickson, John Beinborn, Lester Jantzen, Mark Vosberg and Brian Lucey. Present virtually one (1) member: Rick Sanson. Diane Nelson asked to be excused. Chairman Keeney asked the Board to approve Rick Sanson to participate and vote by Zoom per Board rules. John Beinborn, second by Patrick Schroeder made a motion to allow Rick Sanson to participate by Zoom. Motion carried by voice vote.

Approval of Agenda: Gary Ranum, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to approve the agenda. Motion carried by voice vote.

Approval of Minutes: Patrick Schroeder, second by Lester Jantzen made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 21, 2024 meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

Communications: Amy Olson, Fair Manager asked Board member to help distribute Grant County Fair marketing materials. Amy also explained the fair schedule.

WCA Conference is in La Crosse September 22nd-24th. If you would like to attend let Tonya know.

Employee Recognitions: There were no employee recognitions.

Appointments: Gary Ranum, second by Robert Scallon made a motion to appoint Dave Wiederholt to the Wisconsin Rail Road Commission. Motion carried by voice vote.

Robert Scallon, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to appoint Val Bailey to the ADRC Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

Gary Ranum, second by Gary Northouse made a motion to appoint Monica Sella to the CJCC. Motion carried by voice vote.

Lester Jantzen, second by John Beinborn made a motion to appoint Billy Funk as a citizen member to the Veteran's Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

Grants: Lori Reid, ADRC Director presented the grant for two vehicles for the nutrition program through the Eckstein Fund, in the amount of \$90,000. Robert Scallon, second by John Beinborn made the motion to approve the grant. Motion carried by voice vote.

604th Zoning Amendment: Lucas Finley, CSZD presented the 604th Zoning Amendments for Amy Hearn in the Town of South Lancaster, Justin Stuehrenberg in the Town of Watterstown, Town of Lima in the Town of Lima, Wilbur Martin in the Town of Liberty, Dan Washburn in the Town of Millville, Randall Addison in the Town of Wingville and Sheryl Hess in the Town of Paris. Gary Northouse, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to approve the 604th Zoning Amendments. Motion carried by voice vote.

Update on Fiber Optics/Communications project: Sheriff Dreckman advised that they are currently working on the Bloomington tower site and then will move to the Millville site, then to Potosi and then the South tower. Cassville is still an issue with trying to get approval for the tribal issue. Shane Drinkwater, IT Director advised that most of the fiber is in the ground and ready to go. They will be cabling the Bloomington tower and setting the vault. IT is also working on renewing the licensing with Cisco routers.

Discussion and Possible Action on Out of Budget Spending for Electronic Medical Records from Jail Assessment Carryover: Sheriff Dreckman presented the request. This will allow the jail staff to electronically document medication distribution. John Beinborn, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to approve the out of budget spending using jail assessment funds up to \$39,808.86 and the approval of IT cybersecurity protocol. A roll call vote was taken with sixteen (16) Yes, one (1) Absent, therefore motion carried.

Update on the Annex Building Project: Garry Pluemer, Facilities and Maintenance Manager updated the Board on the Annex Building. The ceilings have been removed from most of the building but the offices. The electrician will be changing out the panel in the IT closet. The teller area has been removed and the carpet will be patched. Scheduling of HVAC and door controls will happen in the next few weeks. Items that were left in the building will be available for employees in a few weeks.

Assignment of Annex Building: The implication was for Unified to occupy the building. If both floors are occupied an elevator will need to be installed. To make the building useable the cost was over a million dollars. The goal is to have all of Unified in the building but a plan needs to be decided in order to make that happen. For full modification it will take state approved plans. Carol Beals, second by Rick Sanson made a motion to postpone action on the Assignment of the Annex Building until July County Board meeting. Motion carried by voice vote with one negative vote (Schroeder).

Resolution 2024-07 Authorizing Non-Lapsing Amounts at December 31, 2023 and Amending the 2024 Budget: Chairman Keeney presented the resolution for the budget amendment. Roger Guthrie, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to approve resolution 2024-07 Authorizing Non-Lapsing Amounts. A roll call vote was taken with sixteen (16) Yes, one (1) Absent, therefore motion carried.

Amend and Reinstate resolution 50-22 Creating Office of County Administrator: The Administrator Selection Committee met with PAA last week and have created a timeline. Interviews would be August 9, 2024. Carol Beals, second by Adam Day made a motion to amend and reinstate resolution 50-22 with the salary range from \$125,000 to \$150,000 and allow PAA to do the recruitment starting July 19, 2024. A roll call vote was taken with fifteen (15) yes, one (1) No (Scallon), one (1) absent, therefore motion carried.

Joseph Mumm was excused from the meeting at 11:27 a.m.

Policy revisions: Joyce Roling presented the policy revisions. Roger Guthrie, second by Patrick Schroeder made a motion to approve the policy revisions. Motion carried by voice vote.

Discussion and possible action on allocation of funds for the purchase of property by Grant County:

Jon Knautz, Highway Commissioner presented the requested. The Highway Department would like to transfer FAS funds to the Capital Outlay account to purchase property near Patch Grove. Robert Scallon, second by John Beinborn made a motion to approve the allocation of \$750,000 from the FAS account to the capital outlay account. A roll call vote was taken with fifteen (15) yes, 2 two (absent), therefore motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Ag, Extension & Fair: Roger Guthrie gave a report.

ADRC: Kathy Kopp gave a report.

CJCC: There was no report.

CSZD: Robert Keeney gave a report.

DMATS: There was no report.

Executive: Robert Keeney gave a report.

Highway: Gary Northouse gave a report.

Hidden Valleys: Robert Scallon gave a report.

Railroad: Robert Scallon gave a report.

HHS: Gary Ranum gave a report.

GCED: John Beinborn gave a report.

Law Enforcement/Emergency Management: Kathy Kopp gave a report.

Orchard Manor/Farm: Rick Sanson gave a report.

SWCAP: Carol Beals gave a report.

UCS: Carol Beals gave a report.

Veteran's: Lester Jantzen gave a report.

Adjournment: Roger Guthrie, second by John Beinborn made a motion to adjourn until July 16, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. Motion carried by voice vote.