Grant County Board of Supervisors
December 10, 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 and on the county website.

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, Rick Sanson, Carol Beals, Kathy Kopp, Lester Jantzen, John Beinborn, Mark Vosberg and Brian Lucey. Diane Nelson asked to be excused and there is one vacancy.

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

**Approval of Minutes:** Roger Guthrie, second by Adam Day made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 12, 2024 meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Communications:** Chairman Keeney thanked everyone for adjusting their schedule to accommodate moving the meeting a week ahead.

Administrator Dreckman introduced Angie Gerndt who was hired as the Human Resources Manager.

Chairman Keeney advised the Board members that District 13 is vacant. An add was placed in the Platteville Journal for interested parties. There have been no inquiries.

## **Appointments:**

Gary Ranum, second by Carol Beals made a motion to appoint Holly Muench as the citizen member to the HHS Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

Rick Sanson, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to appoint Jon Knautz as the Grant County Highway Commissioner. Motion carried by voice vote.

John Beinborn, second by Carol Beals made a motion to appoint Mary Lou Bausch as a citizen member to the ADRC Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

Adam Day, second by Robert Scallon made a motion to appoint Rick Sanson to the Southwest Library System. Motion carried by voice vote.

John Beinborn, second by Carol Beals made a motion to appoint Roger Guthrie to Southwest Cap Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

Roger Guthrie, second by Carol Beals made a motion to appoint Kessa Klaas as the Health Department representative to LEPC. Motion carried by voice vote.

Gary Ranum, second by Adam Day made a motion to appoint Lainee McLennan as the Family Advocates representative to CJCC. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Grants:** Steve Braun, Emergency Management Director presented the Hazmat Regional Emergency Response grant. Adam Day, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to approve the grant. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Employee Recognition:** Chairman Keeney presented a certificate to Dan McLimans for his 26 years of service.

**Update on Fiber Optics/Communication Project:** Administrator Dreckman discussed the Cassville tower bid process. The West site foundation has been poured with the shelter being placed next week. Shane Drinkwater, IT Director advised that IT will be testing the fiber loop prior to the Cassville tower being placed online. IT is getting close to wrapping up most projects. There has also been some interest in companies using the fiber.

**Opioid Task Force Update and discussion:** Chairman Keeney gave an update on the Opioid Task Force and the funds that have been dispersed. Chairman Keeney asked the Board for further guidance on how the settlement funds should be dispersed in the future. It was the Board's decision to leave the Task Force as it has been. The information will be brought back to the County Board for future discussion.

**609**<sup>th</sup> **Zoning Amendment**: Lucas Finley presented the zoning amendments. Adam Day, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to approve the 609<sup>th</sup> Zoning Amendment. Motion carried by voice vote.

Resolution 2024-26 Authorizing Tax Anticipation Note in the amount of \$615,000: Roger Guthrie, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to approve resolution 2024-26 authorizing tax anticipation note in the amount of \$615,000. A roll call vote was taken with fourteen (14) Yes, one (1) no (Scallon), One (1) Absent and one (1) vacancy, therefore motion carried.

**KnowBe4 Training Compliance Policy:** Administrator Dreckman presented the policy. Gary Northouse, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to approve the policy. Motion carried by voice vote.

ARPA Funding allocations: Chairman Keeney advised the Board that the ARPA funding needs to be allocated by the end of the year. Chairman Keeney explained the projects that have utilized the ARPA funding so far. Adam Day, second by Gary Northouse made a motion to allocate the remaining balance of the ARPA funds to the Potosi access points, fiber to the Fennimore shop, a three-year contract for open records program, 2023 audit and the restoration of the BMO bank building. A roll call vote was taken with eleven (11) Yes, four (4) No (Keeney, Mumm, Vosberg and Lucey), one (1) Absent and one (1) vacancy, therefore motion carried.

**Dog Claim(s) Grant County Humane Society:** Roger Guthrie, second by Patrick Schroeder made a motion to approve the payment of \$480 to the Grant County Humane Society. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Committee Reports:** Updates were given for each committee.

Adjournment: Joseph Mumm, second by Robert Scallon made a motion to adjourn to January 21, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. Motion carried by voice vote.