

Grant County Board of Supervisors
April 14, 2025
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 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 in the Administration Building, Courthouse and on the county website.

Roll Call was taken with fifteen members present: Gary Ranum, Gary Northouse, Robert Scallon, Robert Keeney, Roger Guthrie, Joseph Mumm, Patrick Schroeder, Rick Sanson, Carol Beals, Diane Nelson, Kathy Kopp, Roger Lange, Lester Jantzen, John Beinborn and Mark Vosberg. Adam Day was present on Zoom but will not be participating, therefore he was marked excused. Brian Lucey was absent.

Approval of Agenda: Patrick Schroeder, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to approve the agenda with moving item 12 presentation up under Communications on the agenda. Motion carried by voice vote.

Approval of Minutes: Rick Sanson, second by Kathy Kopp made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 18, 2025 meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

Communications: April is National County Government Month. Chairman Keeney thanked the County Board, Elected Officials and staff who help provide the services to the public. Chairman Keeney also thanked the American Legion and Mike Lieurance for assistance with Youth Government Day. There were 50 to 55 students that were here. Presentations in the County Board Room were given by the constitutional officers, Administrator and the VSO Office. Students were given the chance to vote in a mock election. The other half of the group went to CSB for a jail tour and remarks from the constitutional officers. Appreciation lunches will start Thursday at Community Services Building. Most of the arrangements have been made. It will be discussed later in the agenda.

Chairman Keeney is currently working with the ATV Alliance for submission of the ordinance change that were made on the highway routes. The DOT has some concerns about the language on a couple of the routes, so there will be some slight changes. When the DOT approved it will need to be brought back for approval.

Chairman Keeney reminded the board members about submitting their driver's license and insurance to HR for the mileage reimbursement policy.

Administrator Dreckman advised the Board that he has been working on the new UCS agreement between Grant County and Iowa County with Larry Burke and Andy Phillips. They will be creating a draft that will be shared with both County Board Chairs and Holly to give feedback. It will then go to the committees to be discussed.

He has also been working on the Administrative and Employee handbooks to get those updated and in a consistent format and capital improvement project plan for department heads.

Discussion and possible action on letter of support for Grant Regional Health Center expansion: Joel Gehling, Chief Financial Officer and Brandi Riechers, Foundation Director gave a presentation on the Grant Regional expansion project. Kathy Kopp, second by Rick Sanson made a motion to draft a letter of support for the Grant Regional Health Center expansion with the Administrator and County Board Chair signing the letter. Motion carried by voice vote.

Appointments: John Beinborn, second by Gary Northouse made a motion to appoint Roger Lange to SWCAP and Library. Motion carried by voice vote.

Grants: There were no grants to present.

613th Zoning Amendment: John Beinborn, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to approve the 613th Zoning Amendment for Town of Jamestown in Town of Jamestown and Grant County Real Estate Services Inc. in Town of Platteville. Motion carried by voice vote.

Update on Fiber Optics/Communication Project: The bottom section of the Cassville tower has been stacked with the completion of the tower in a day. All of the towers have now been assembled. There have been some issues to the fiber from Lancaster to the Platteville Police Department and then from the Police Department to the Platteville tower site. Those issues have been sorted out now. IT will be placing a temporary patch at the Cassville tower so they can have that up and running before all the shelters are complete and powered up. The west tower site still needs power before equipment can be installed. All the other tower sites are functioning. Testing of the radios and an inverter will be April 24th.

Discussion and possible action on Grant County logo: Administrator Dreckman explained that he would like to create branding and one core logo. Departments can take the core logo and then branch out with it. The Board gave feedback that will be taken to the intern for additional work on the logo.

County Government Month Appreciation Meals: The first appreciation meal will be on Thursday at CSB. The meal will be turkey and dressing sandwiches, potato salad, cheese tray, crackers, veggie tray, milk and dessert. Serving will begin at most campuses around 11:30 a.m. If committee members could assist with serving.

Resolution 2025-04 Authorizing Participation in Public Funding for Snowmobile Trails: Joseph Mumm, second by Mark Vosberg made a motion to approve resolution 2025-04 authorizing participation in public funding for snowmobile trails. Motion carried by voice vote.

Discussion and possible action on out of budget spending of \$30,000 to continue assistance for the 2023-2024 audit: Patrick Montgomery, Finance Director presented the request. The Board was also informed that this may not be the final request for funding assistance. Roger Guthrie, second by Mark Vosberg made a motion to approve the out of budget spending from the general fund of \$30,000 to continue assistance for the 2023-2024 audit. A roll call vote was taken with twelve (12) Yes, two (2) No (Schroeder and Beals), one (1) Abstain (Scallon), one (1) Absent and one (1) Excused, therefore motion passed.

Discussion on County Board rules, committees and compensation: The County Board rules would take effect April of 2026 when the new term starts for Board members. The rules should be done in June or July to help assist in the budget process. WCA would like to create consistency in County Board rules.

Committee Reports: Roger Guthrie, second by Patrick Schroeder made a motion to forego Committee Reports. Motion carried by voice vote.

Adjournment: Roger Guthrie, second by Joseph Mumm made a motion to adjourn to May 20, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. Motion carried by voice vote.