

STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

September 10, 2009

The Strategic Planning Committee of the Grant County Board of Supervisors met in the Grant County Administration Building in Room 266, Lancaster, WI, on Thursday, September 10, 2009 at 1:30 p.m. and moved to the County Board Room for more space.

The meeting was called to order by Committee Chair Tony Runde. Larry Wolf, seconded by Mark Stead, moved the meeting was in compliance with the open meeting law. Motion carried unanimously.

The roll was called and a quorum was present. The following committee members were present: Tony Runde, Larry Wolf, Lynn Moris, John Patcle, Robert Keeney and Mark Stead. UW-Platteville Civil Engineering Department Dr. Tom Nelson, Dr. Kristina Fields, Senior students Brian Geier, Chin Hong Tey and Sammy Hamway were in attendance as well as Highway Commissioner Dave Lambert, Travis Kramer and Joyce Roling.

Robert Keeney, seconded by Larry Wolf, moved to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Lynn Moris, seconded by Larry Wolf, moved to approve the minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Tom Nelson discussed the long range projects the University will be assisting the county with over the next ten years. The Engineering Department can only staff one project this semester and they chose the first project as the Grant County Highway Department Consolidation/Relocation. The design team skills include environmental and transportation, which fits this project best. Next semester may include two teams and two projects.

John Patcle described the three areas that the Highway department can build. The county is asking the design team to report back as to what the most feasible location is as well as cost. The three locations considered are as follows:

1. Current location (status quo)
2. FS/Lippert Building
3. Orchard Manor/Farm land

The committee discussed the requirements and considerations for a highway department site such as parking, vehicle/truck accommodation (garages), acreage, environmental issues, entrance and exits, Geo-tech (parking and pavement), shops (Mechanics, Welding), and offices. The students will work with Dave Lambert and Travis Kramer regarding other requirements. Dave and Travis will assist them with acquiring the information they need as well as set up a time for on-site tours.

Other items discussed included location of the existing buildings/sites and two possible locations on the county farm that is available; 12 acres between 129 and 61 or the old nursing home site. The access road can be eliminated or moved. The dairy barn can also be taken down. The committee asked for all options to be considered.

The design team will develop a formal scope of the project and send that to the county within the next week and all will agree before moving on. The time-line of the project is as follows:

- Week of September 14 – Develop project scope and send to county
- Mid-October – Mid-term presentation to committee which will show the best of the three options and why.
- First week of December – Final presentation

Mark Stead, seconded by Larry Wolf, moved to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by:
Joyce Roling