

GRANT COUNTY COMPLETE COUNT COMMITTEE

February 19, 2010

Chair John Patcle called the meeting to order at 10:00AM. Motion by Don Splinter the meeting was in compliance with the open meeting law, second by Alan Jensen, motion passed.

Motion by Alan Jensen to approve the agenda, second by Gabe Loeffelholz, motion passed.

Members in attendance: John Patcle, County Board Chair; Donald Splinter, Chair, Town of Hazel Green; Gabe Loeffelholz, Chair, Town of Smelser; Alan Jensen, Clerk, Town of Jamestown; John Anderson, Grant County; Mary A. Culligan, Clerk, Village of Bloomington; Brent Straka, Town of Little Grant; Jerry Linder, Mayor, City of Boscobel; Margaret Sprague, Clerk, City of Fennimore; Jerry Wehrle, Mayor, City of Lancaster; Denise S. Jansen, Deputy Clerk, Town of Jamestown; Jack Schaffer, City of Lancaster; Connor Volkmann, City of Lancaster; Jared Straka, City of Lancaster; Anne Saxer, US Census partnership Assistant; Paul Thares, UWEX Grant County.

Motion by Mary C. and second by Jerry W. to approve the minutes of the November 6, 2009 meeting, motion passed.

Anne Saxer gave a report on homeless and discussion ensued.

Margaret Sprague gave a report on the Fennimore Energy Fair; census items were handed out.

Anne Saxer mentioned that six boxes of census promotional materials were being shipped to Grant County and will be in the office of the Grant County Extension Community Resource Development Agent.

There was discussion on distributing the census promotional materials during the upcoming "Home Show" and "Fix a Leak" program.

It was mentioned that the census forms will be mailed out the week of March 19.

Anne Saxer mentioned that recruiting for census workers is just about rapped up; rural areas were still taking applications.

There was discussion on how to get "squatters" census information.

There was discussion on illegal's and how to count those who do not care or those who are living with someone.

Anne Saxer mentioned that the Census Assistance Center would be staffed up to 15 hours and the Be Counted sites would not be staffed.

There was also discussion on what communities have census forms, how to advertise, i.e., church groups, food pantries and census in schools lesson plans.

Motion by Gabe Loeffelholz to adjourn as the last meeting of the Complete Count Committee, second by Alan Jensen, motion passed.

Committee adjourned at 11:11AM.

Respectfully submitted by Paul Thares, CRD Agent Grant County UW-Extension.