

GRANT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
 REGULAR MEETING JANUARY 4, 2022

The Grant County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session January 4, 2022 at Elbow Lake, MN. Chairman Walvatne called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m., with the following members present: Bill LaValley, Doyle Sperr, Ken Johnson, Troy Johnson and Dwight Walvatne. Others present: Chris Ray-Grant County Herald and Jon Combs. Amada Lustila and Dawn Johansen via Zoom.

Pledge Those in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Reorganization Chairman Walvatne called for nominations for 2022 Chair and Vice Chair.

A motion was made by Sperr seconded by Ken Johnson to nominate Commissioner LaValley as Board Chair for 2022. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Walvatne seconded by Sperr and carried to nominate Commissioner Troy Johnson as Board Vice-Chair for 2022.

Agenda Approval A motion was made by Walvatne seconded by Sperr and carried to approve the meeting agenda.

Minutes A motion was made by Troy Johnson seconded by Walvatne and carried to approve the December 21, 2021 minutes.

Bills A motion was made by Troy Johnson seconded by Ken Johnson and carried to pay the bills as follows: General Revenue Fund - \$24,328.97 & Bridge Fund - \$218,699.85, Score Fund - \$169.28 and Tax Forfeit Fund - \$47.65.

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Vendor</u>
218.79	Aspen Mills	7,202.00	Association of MN Counties
741.25	Axon Enterprise Inc	400.00	B&J Landscaping & Repair LLC
232.18	Code 4 Services Inc	2,200.00	Fidlar Technologies Inc
320.56	Force America Inc	3.49	Grant County Lumber
47.65	Grant County Recorder	646.27	gWorks
5,314.79	Haukos Sales LLC	1,975.00	Kruize Plumbing & Heating Inc
803.38	M&O Radiator Repair	8,677.50	MNCCC Lockbox
845.51	Nuss Truck Group Inc	200.00	Region VII Treasurer
49.28	Ripley/Cari	111.00	Rocket Auto Electric Inc
244.00	Royal Tire Inc	120.00	SW Inc
349.31	Stonebrooke Engineering Inc	218.25	This Week's Shopping News
282.53	Towmaster	449.00	Tyler Technologies
331.45	Uline Inc	600.00	Wadena County Sheriff
1,200.00	WatchGuard Video	1,990.00	West Central Regional Juvenile Center
7,073.24	Widseth Smith Nolting & Assoc Inc	399.32	Ziegler Inc

Sheriff Jon Combs presented information on a request for a survey update for the courthouse grounds for the proposed LEC project.

Letter of Support A motion was made by Troy Johnson seconded by Sperr and carried to approve a letter of support and commitment of ARP funds for the Runestone broadband project in the Herman/Norcross area as presented.

Assessor Karl Lindquist reviewed the changes to the assessment that have occurred since the board of appeal and equalization hearing.

Human Resources Ashley Hokanson presented a revision to the inclement weather policy to include notifications to department heads and supervisors via CodeRed.

A motion was made by Walvatne seconded by Sperr and carried to approve the revised inclement weather policy as presented.

Treasurer Amanda Lustila presented the depository designations for 2022 and the 2022 investment policy for approval.

A motion was made by Troy Johnson seconded by Sperr and carried approving the following financial institutions for depositories of Grant County funds in 2022: Bank of the West, Eagle Bank, Star Bank, Kensington Bank, Farmers State Bank of Hoffman, Viking Bank of Ashby, Minnesota Association of Counties

Investing in Government (M.A.G.I.C.), Moreton Capital Marketing, Wells Fargo, Wells Fargo Advisors and UBS Financial Services.

A motion was made by Sperr seconded by Troy Johnson and carried to approve the Grant County Investment Policy for 2022 as presented.

Land Management Greg Lillemon presented the Office of Land Management Permit Fee Schedule for approval.

After some discussion a motion was made by Ken Johnson seconded by Troy Johnson and carried to approve Permit Fee Schedule with Cell Tower Permit of \$500, Large Solar Energy System Permit of \$1,000 and After-the-Fact Permit of \$500.

Meeting Dates A motion was made by Walvatne seconded by Sperr and carried to set the Commissioners meeting dates as the first and third Tuesday of each month at 9:00 a.m.

Publishing Bids Bids were received for publishing the proceedings of the Board, Delinquent Tax List, Board of Equalization proceedings and all other notices and reports, the publication of which is necessary by law, or authorized by the Board of Commissioners, as follows:

	Legal Rate
	<u>per column inch</u>
Grant County Herald	\$6.25 6pt

Bids were received as follows for the printing of the annual financial statements in a four (4) page tabloid, and the cost to insert the Financial Statement in its paper should another firm be awarded printing of the same:

	<u>Printing Cost</u>	<u>Insert Cost</u>
Grant County Herald	\$295.00	\$.09 each

A motion was made by Troy Johnson seconded by Sperr and carried to name the Grant County Herald as the Official Newspaper for Grant County and to accept the bid from the Grant County Herald for publishing the proceedings of the Board, Delinquent Tax List, Board of Equalization proceedings and all other notices and reports, the publication of which is necessary by law, or authorized by the Board of Commissioners and for printing and inserting of the annual financial statements.

Committees The 2022 Committee Appointments were reviewed and set.

Morris Electronics A motion was made by Troy Johnson seconded by Sperr and carried to authorize the Auditor to sign a 2022 Network Support Contract with Morris Electronics as presented.

ARP Funding Discussion was held on ARP funding. No action was taken.

There being no further business, the Chairman adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

Bill LaValley, Chairman

Attest: _____
Chad Van Santen, County Auditor