

GRANT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
 REGULAR MEETING April 19, 2022

The Grant County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session April 19, 2022 at Elbow Lake, MN. Chairman LaValley 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, Tina Lindquist, Ashley Hokanson and Doug Dahlen. Amanda Lustila attended via Zoom.

- Pledge Those in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Agenda Approval A motion was made by Walvatne seconded by Sperr and carried to approve the meeting agenda.
- Minutes A motion was made by Sperr seconded by Walvatne and carried to approve the April 5, 2022 minutes.
- Bills A motion was made by Troy Johnson seconded by Sperr and carried to pay the bills as follows: General Revenue Fund - \$119,032.92, Road & Bridge Fund - \$53,448.58, Computer Fund - \$1,375.59, County Ditch Fund - \$6,394.25, Score Fund - \$1,511.41 and Tax Forfeit Fund - \$100.00.

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Vendor</u>
4,508.84	AJ's Gas and Grocery	4,531.49	American Solutions for Business
3,600.00	Anoka County Treasury Office	4,425.84	Ashby Equity Association
453.45	Aspen Mills	364.37	Auto Valu
198.64	Cintas Corporation No2	10,905.87	City of St Cloud
172.13	Culligan	155.90	DASH Medical Gloves
4,021.17	Dept of Transportation	4,423.21	Douglas County Jail
240.00	East Side Oil Companies	350.00	Evan Rollofson Beaver Trapping
19,047.88	Farmers Coop Oil Assn	71.96	Fergus Falls Auto Valu
382.66	Frontier Precision	295.33	FS Solutions
1,000.00	Gillespie Family Partnership	3,400.00	Government Management Group Inc
4,019.07	Grant County	100.00	Grant County Abstract
5,023.19	Grant County Herald	11,527.24	Grant County Soil & Water
6,270.57	Haley Oil Company	100.00	HDC Community Ctr Management
2,115.00	Hildi Inc	198.12	Hillyard Inc/Hutchinson
30.00	Innovative Office Solutions LLC	47.97	Johnson/Kenneth
52.65	Johnson/Troy	746.35	Locators and Supplies
10,748.88	Low Plains Drifters	898.00	M-R Sign
15,414.00	Midwest Machinery Co	390.00	MN Bureau of Criminal Appreh
5,944.25	Moore Engineering Inc	5,724.57	Morris Electronics
19,160.06	Motorola Solutions	440.17	Northdale Oil Inc
1,932.50	PAW Publications LLC BL Review	3,555.00	Powerphone Inc
15,689.80	Regents of the University of MN	35.15	Renstrom/Radford
29.25	Runestone Electric Association	160.00	Sanford Health OccMed
46.80	Sperr/Doyle	4,572.35	SRF Consulting Inc
647.95	Sunset Law Enforcement	3.80	Titan Machinery Inc
2,419.67	Traverse County	600.00	Traverse County Jail
246.41	Valu Ford-Chrysler	69.80	Verizon Connect Fleet USA LLC
60.00	Wadena County Sheriff	84.24	Walvatne/Dwight

- Assessor A certificate of appreciation was presented to Karl Lindquist for support of thesis research projects from June 2020-June 2022 from the United State Military Academy West Point.
- Committee Reports Commissioner Walvatne presented an update on Western Probation.
- Bois de Sioux Doug Dahlen presented an update on the Bois de Sioux Watershed and a letter of interest for consideration of re-appointment.

A motion was made by Sperr seconded by Walvatne and carried to re-appoint Doug Dahlen as watershed manager to the Bois de Sioux Watershed from Grant County.
- Engebretson Disposal A motion was made by Ken Johnson seconded by Sperr and carried to set the effective date of the fuel surcharge for Engebretson Disposal of April 1, 2022.
- Cemetery Plat A motion was made by Walvatne seconded by Sperr and carried to approve a private cemetery plat as presented.
- Human Resources Ashley Hokanson presented information on an employee training session for county employees to be held in June or July.

A motion was made by Troy Johnson seconded by Sperr and carried to approve the training session as presented.

US Fish/Wildlife Blake Knisley and Neil Powers of the US Fish and Wildlife presented a certification of an easement for wildlife habitat protection on a parcel in Pomme de Terre Township owned by Marilyn Mau. Discussion included the road easement along county road 4. It was decided to discuss the easement with the Highway Engineer and to present the certification at the May 3rd meeting.

ARPA – PFM Representatives from PFM discussed proposed expenditures of ARPA funds as discussed by the County Commissioners. Discussion was also held on the narrative included on a spreadsheet provided by Commissioner Ken Johnson.

A motion was made by Ken Johnson seconded by LaValley to approve \$417,000 of ARPA funds as community partnership to the cities and townships as per the spreadsheet provided by Commissioner Ken Johnson. Voting in favor: Ken Johnson, LaValley and Walvatne. Opposed: Troy Johnson and Sperr. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Ken Johnson seconded by LaValley to communicate the community partnership of ARPA funding with each city council, township board and Grant County Board of Commissioners. Voting in favor: Ken Johnson, LaValley, Walvatne and Sperr. Opposed: Troy Johnson. Motion passed.

It was decided that discussion on housing funding through ARPA funds should include West Central Communities Action and the Grant County HRA.

Land Management Greg Lillemon presented information on billboard rental with Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) funds.

A motion was made by Troy Johnson seconded by Sperr and carried to approve the rental agreement for AIS advertising.

Redistricting A hearing was held on the proposal of redistricting of County Commissioner districts. The proposal was to shift Stony Brook Township and the City of Wendell from District 2 to District 5 to comply with population figures from the Federal Census.

A motion was made by Troy Johnson seconded by Walvatne and carried to approve a resolution adopting the redistricting plan for County Commissioner districts and to set a term of 6 years for the district 5 Commissioner at the 2022 election.

Sheriff Jon Combs presented updates on the speed radar signs and congressional spending grant applications for the proposed law enforcement center.

Coordinator Jim Standish presented the 2021 recycling report for review.

Ditch Inspector Aaron Beyer discussed a proposal to hire Moore Engineering for ditch 3 and quotes for tree removal of the ditch.

A motion was made by Troy Johnson seconded by Sperr and carried to approve the proposal for engineering work of county ditch 3 from Moore Engineering as presented.

Closed Session A motion was made by Walvatne seconded by Troy Johnson and carried to close the meeting at 12:22 p.m. for the purpose of personnel.

A motion was made by Troy Johnson seconded by Walvatne and carried to reopen the meeting at 1:15 p.m.

Courthouse The County Commissioners reconvened at the courthouse to review the first floor and sheriff's offices.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at ____ p.m.

Bill LaValley, Chairman

Attest: _____
Chad Van Santen, County Auditor