

**CJCC MEETING
Minutes
April 7, 2026**

MEMBERS PRESENT IN PERSON: Chair Sheriff Reukauf, Mason Nemitz (Jail Sgt.), Kessa Klaas (Health Dept. Director), Mark Hoehne (Pastor), Dr. Jacob Hiatt, Ryan Kieler (District Attorney), Jeff Erickson (Public Defender), Judge Craig Day, Robert Keeney (County Bd Chairman), Clark Thelemann (DSS), Denise Dixon (Victim Witness Coordinator), Michael Foley (School Superintendent), Norma Grinnell (Family Advocates)

MEMBERS PRESENT VIA ZOOM: Gary Ranum (County Board), Ben Wood (Corporation Counsel), Teresa Burton (SWWDB)

MEMBERS ABSENT: Debra Reukauf (excused), Brittany Guthrie (excused), Monica Sella (excused), Sue Freeman

OTHERS PRESENT: Kristin Schier, Selina Baus, Shane Drinkwater, Payton Schmitz (intern)

OTHERS PRESENT VIA ZOOM: None

The meeting, conducted in person and via Zoom, was called to order by Chair Sheriff Reukauf. Notice of the meeting was posted in the Grant County Administration Building, Grant County Courthouse, and Grant County website.

Motion by Judge Craig Day, seconded by Mason Nemitz, to approve the Agenda. Motion carried without negative vote.

Motion by Robert Keeney, seconded by Judge Craig Day, to approve the Meeting Minutes of February 3, 2026. Motion carried without negative vote.

2025 Procedural Fairness Surveys

Kristin Schier reviewed the 2025 Procedural Fairness Surveys and comments:

- Drug Court Report: There were no concerns; majority of comments were positive. The Council did note the team members with an average below 4 on dimension. This was discussed.
- OWI Court Report: There were no concerns; comments were positive.

Opioid Settlement Update

Robert Keeney informed the council they had two applications this round and approved \$20,000 in grants. The next application deadline is May 19. Robert noted the review board will be reorganizing; the County Clerk, County Administrator, along with two other designees will serve.

Presentation

Department of Social Services – Clark Thelemann presented on the following:

- Mission
- Primary Areas of Service
 - Economic Support
 - Foodshare
 - Day Care Assistance
 - Badger Care
 - Heating Assistance
 - Child Protective Services
 - Access
 - Child Abuse and Neglect
 - Foster Care
 - Initial Assessments
 - Ongoing Services
 - Parenting and Prevention Services
 - Youth Justice
 - Juvenile Court Intake Services
 - YASI assessments
 - Delinquency Referrals / Delinquency
 - Youth Supervision
 - Delinquency Prevention and Diversion
 - Education and Programing
- Voluntary Services / Parenting Services
- Coordinated Services Team (CST)
- Foster Care
- Adult Protective Services
- Frustrations

Clark remarked on the positive relationship with drug court.

Clark and Selina commented on the positive communication between the jail and Social Services and explained the information/services that are shared with inmates and workers.

Judge Day addressed an area of concern with a serious juvenile offender that requires long-term, secured detention. The court could not order the detention as the county does not have a resolution. Ben Wood responded that the Director of Social Services and himself have already drafted a resolution to address this.

Gary Ranum asked how Social Services defines child abuse and neglect as changes in the definition of discipline have changed in recent years. Clark and Judge Day explained the legal definitions.

Next Presentation, June 2:

- District Attorney and Victim Witness, Ryan Kieler and Denise Dixon
- Circuit Court, Craig R. Day – Will take questions

Presentation, August 4:

- SWWDB, Teresa Burton

Open Discussion

Kristin Schier informed the council of an upcoming drug court graduation May 14 at 10:30 a.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 a.m.

Next meeting: June 2, 2026 at 8:00 a.m. Grant County Board Room, Administration Building.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kristin Schier, CJCC Coordinator