

**CJCC MEETING
Minutes
October 7, 2025**

MEMBERS PRESENT IN PERSON: Chair: Debra Reukauf (Lancaster Chief of Police), Vice-Chair: Gary Ranum (County Board), Clark Thelemann (DSS), Robert Keeney (County Board Chairman), Mason Nemitz (Jail Sgt.), Judge Craig Day, Monica Sella (SWCAP), Kessa Klaas (Health Dept. Director), Sheriff Craig Reukauf, Ben Wood (Corporation Counsel), Mark Hoehne (Pastor), Brittany Guthrie (DOC)

MEMBERS PRESENT VIA ZOOM: Teresa Burton (SWWDB), Norma Grinnell (Family Advocates), Jeff Erickson (Public Defender)

MEMBERS ABSENT: Dr. Jacob Hiatt (excused), Holly Knapp (excused), Darla Adams (excused), Michael Foley, Ryan Kieler

OTHERS PRESENT: Kristin Schier, Shane Drinkwater, Jenna Shae (intern)

OTHERS PRESENT VIA ZOOM: None

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

Motion by Ben Wood, seconded by Gary Ranum, to approve the Agenda. Motion carried without negative vote.

Motion by Sheriff Reukauf, seconded by Robert Keeney, to approve the Meeting Minutes of August 5, 2025. Motion carried without negative vote.

2026 CJCC Meeting Dates

Kristin Schier informed the council of the 2026 meeting dates: February 3, April 7, June 2, August 4, October 6, and December 1 at 8:00 a.m. Meetings will be held in the Grant County Board Room, first Tuesday of every other month.

2026 TAD Grant Application

Kristin Schier informed the Council the grant application was submitted October 2.

Opioid Settlement Update

Robert Keeney reported the task force had one application in August and offered a \$25,000 scholarship to SWCAP for housing.

Robert noted the task force will be restructuring to a group of five individuals to vet the application process; this will hopefully cause better use of those funds as there is over \$300,000 in the fund. Robert further explained the funds remain with the county and continue to grow until they are spent.

Presentations

Grant County Health Department – Kessa Klaas presented on the following:

- Mission Statement
- Level II Health Department
- Home Care Summary of Duties
- Home Care Staffing
- Hospice Summary of Duties
- Hospice Staffing
- Public Health Summary of Duties
- Public Health Staffing
- Community Outreach/Partnerships
- On-call Nursing

Mark Hoehne asked Kessa about the qualifications someone has to meet for home care. Kessa responded that an individual has to have the need, or lack of necessary skills for living on their own. She commented on a private pay option, and how the individual has to be home bound.

Gary Ranum asked Kessa what their biggest interaction with the criminal justice system is. Kessa remarked that it was mainly jail health.

Gary Ranum asked if there is anything that needed to be improved. Chief Reukauf commented that the Health Department is a great resource. Other members of the Council agreed.

Judge Day commented on the concerns with providing mental healthcare in the jail – he noted that we are doing a much better job now than we used to, but there is still a gap. Ideas were discussed, but no solutions at a meeting recently with Judge Day, Nurse Baus, and Captain Nemitz. Judge Day noted the group thought it best to bring their concerns to this group for a discussion at a later time. Selina Baus clarified what some of the issues are. Council further discussed.

Tabled for further discussion at a later meeting.

SWCAP / MultiCultural Outreach Program – Monica Sella presented on the following:

- MCOP History and Now
- Community Health Workers
- Partnerships with Local Hospitals
- Partner Programs and Organizations
- Connection to Family Resources
- Support to Schools
- Free Clinics
- Medical Financial Aid
- Access to Emergency Medicaid
- Access to Hospital Financial assistance programs
- Access to Immigration Legal Resources

Gary Ranum asked Monica about the program’s achievement in finding pathways for legal success. Monica commented that it can be very successful, but there are times when individuals can’t receive assistance.

Mark Hoehne asked Monica if she knew the number of people who would need these services in Grant County. Monica reported that she didn’t know the exact number for Grant County.

Next presentations: Department of Corrections (Brittany Guthrie) and Local Police Departments (Chief Reukauf)

Open Discussion

No discussion.

Motion by Brittany Guthrie, seconded by Mark Hoehne, to adjourn. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 a.m.

Next meeting: December 2, 2025 at 8:00 a.m. Grant County Board Room, Administration Building.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kristin Schier, CJCC Coordinator