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**GRANTS COMMITTEE MEETING
SEPTEMBER 2, 2025 - 4:00 PM
COUNTY BOARD ROOM #203 | 157 N. MAIN ST. | EDWARDSVILLE, IL 62025**

AGENDA

A. CALL TO ORDER:

B. ROLL CALL:

Denise Wiehardt, Chair
Frank Dickerson
Valerie Doucleff
Alison Lamothe
Fred Schulte
Ron Simpson
Victor Valentine
Shawndell Wilson

C. PUBLIC COMMENT:

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. August 5, 2025 minutes

E. PROCLAMATIONS:

F. PURCHASE APPROVALS:

1. Monthly Bills

G. PURCHASE REQUESTS:

H. PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS:

1. Benevate, LLC (Neighborly) Software Renewal

Description: Benevate, LLC, Neighborly, Housing and Community Development Software License annual renewal. Neighborly is a grant management software designed for applicant management and program delivery for the following programs that will assist the following Community Development programs: Park Enhancement Program (PEP), HOME Asset Management, CDBG Demolitions, CDBG Housing Rehabilitation, Public Facilities/ Infrastructure, HOME Affordable Housing Construction.

Justification: This is a renewal of an existing specialty software that is specific to the delivery program of Federal Grants, including Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME. This software includes documentation areas required for each grant program, prompting staff to include required documentation required by the grant for reporting and record-keeping purposes. In addition, this program has a public-facing platform, allowing applicants to apply online, and to directly upload required documentation securely.

Vendor: Benevate, LLC, Neighborly, Housing and Community Development Software
Term: September 23, 2025- September 22, 2026
Amount: \$28,200.00
Resolution (to Purchase)

2. One-Year Contract with the Leadership Council of Southwestern Illinois

Description: The Southwest Leadership Council of Southwestern Illinois provides focus and leadership to Madison County for economic growth. The Southwest Leadership Council of Southwestern Illinois will market the assets of Madison County through existing regional and cooperative approaches that will help retain jobs and attract new investment to the County. The Southwest Leadership Council of Southwestern Illinois promotes a program of work which focuses on Madison County's economic development priorities.

Justification: The continuation of workforce development activities and economic development for Madison County.

Vendor: One-year contract
Term: October 1, 2025- September 30, 2026
Amount: \$30,000.00
Resolution (to Purchase)

3. Purchase 2025 Ford Explorer 4x4

Description: New 2025 Ford Explorer 4x4.

Justification: This vehicle will be used by Community Development LIHEAP staff for site visits, outreach, transportation to off-site meetings, as well as other travel that is necessary to fulfill the requirements of our grants to continue bringing necessary services to the residents of Madison County. Purchasing this vehicle will alleviate the need for our employees to use their personal vehicles for County business.

Vendor: Morrow Brothers Ford Inc.
Term: One-time purchase

Amount: \$45,887.00
Resolution (to Purchase)

I. RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES:

J. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS:

1. Employment & Training
2. Economic Development
3. Community Development

K. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

L. NEW BUSINESS:

M. CLOSED SESSION:

1. Closed Session, if necessary, for any lawful exemption pursuant to Section 2(c) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act

N. ADJOURNMENT:

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Grants Committee will be October 6, 2025.

If you have a disability and require a reasonable accommodation to attend this meeting, please contact the County's Compliance Coordinators within 3 business days prior to the scheduled meeting at 618/296-4546 or 618/296-4027 or by email hr@madisoncountyl.gov.