

**MADISON COUNTY
GRANTS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
November 4, 2025, 4:00 P.M.**

PRESENT: Valerie Doucleff, Alison Lamothe, Fred Schulte, Ron Simpson, Victor Valentine, Denise Wiehardt

Chair Denise Wiehardt asked for a vote to allow Victor Valentine to attend remotely.

Motion to approve was made by Alison Lamothe, seconded by Fred Schulte

ABSENT: Frank Dickerson, Shawndell Wilson

OTHERS: Cythia Ellis, Tony Fuhrmann, Rebecca Cowley, Dave Goodrich, Lisa Mersinger, Chris Kalter, Stacey Pace, Dave Tanzyus, Christian Hosto

C. PUBLIC COMMENT

Tony Fuhrmann from the Employment and Training Department addressed the Committee.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair, Denise Wiehardt, asked the Committee if there were any suggestions to add, subtract, or changes to the minutes from the Grants Committee meeting October 7, 2025.

Motion to approve was made by Fred Schulte, seconded by Alison Lamothe

Motion approved by the 6 members present.

E. PROCLAMATIONS

F. PURCHASE APPROVALS

Chair, Denise Wiehardt, asked for a motion to approve the Monthly Purchase Report.

Motion to approve was made by Valerie Doucleff, seconded by Ron Simpson

Motion approved by the 6 members present.

G. PURCHASE REQUESTS

G1. Chair, Denise Wiehardt, asked for a motion to approve contract awarding funds from new Illinois Apprenticeship grant to Lewis & Clark to cover 15% of salary and fringe for Workforce Training Coordinator and \$4,000 for supplies and local travel costs needed for the successful administration of apprenticeship programs in early childhood education, healthcare and hospitality.

Motion to approve was made by Alison Lamothe, seconded by Fred Schulte

Motion approved by the 6 members present.

G2. Chair, Denise Wiehardt, asked for a motion to approve contract for awarding funds from new Illinois Apprenticeship grant to M.A.C. Medical for the hiring of a certified welding trainer to perform related instruction for registered apprenticeship program. Grant funds will cover 14% of the salary for this position.

Motion to approve was made by Valerie Doucleff, seconded by Alison Lamothe

Motion approved by the 6 members present.

H. PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

Chair, Denise Wiehardt, asked for a motion to approve resolution to Purchase Office Furniture for the Madison County Community Development Department.

Motion to approve was made by Alison Lamothe, seconded by Ron Simpson

Motion approved by the 6 members present.

I.- RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES

I1. Chair, Denise Wiehardt, asked for a motion to approve Resolution Awarding Contractors Contracts for Weatherization and Fact Sheet

Motion to approve was made by Alison Lamothe, seconded by Valerie Doucleff

Motion approved by the 6 members present.

I2. Chair, Denise Wiehardt, asked for a motion to approve Resolution by Madison County Board Grants Committee to Recommend Extending the Time to Complete Submission in Response to the HOME-ARP Non-Congregate Shelter NOFO by Salvation Army Madison County Corps

Motion to approve was made by Alison Lamothe, seconded by Fred Schulte

Motion approved by the 6 members present.

I3. Amended: Chair, Denise Wiehardt, asked for a motion to Amend Resolution Establishing Grants Committee Meeting Dates for Nov 3rd to be moved to November 9th, 2026.

Motion to approve was made by Alison Lamothe, seconded by Fred Schulte

Motion approved by the 6 members present.

Chair, Denise Wiehardt, asked for a motion to approve Resolution Establishing Grants Committee Meeting Dates

Motion to approve was made by Valerie Doucleff, seconded by Alison Lamothe

Motion approved by the 6 members present.

J. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Anthony Fuhrmann, from the Employment and Training Department, was present to discuss the monthly Employment and Training report that was previously emailed to the Committee. The Unemployment rate for the month of October for the State and Madison County was not available due to the shutdown.

No Economic Development Report

Stacey Pace was present to give the MCCD monthly report that was previously emailed to the Committee.

K. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

L. NEW BUSINESS

Chris Kalter was present to talk about the Public Meeting for Substantial Amendment to the CDBG and HOME 2025 Annual Action Plan

Next regular Grants meeting will be Tuesday, December 2, 2025 @ 4:00 pm

Special Grants Committee Meeting December 17, 2025

M. CLOSED SESSION

None

N. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn was made at 4:21 pm by Alison Lamothe, seconded by Fred Schulte

Motion approved by the 6 members present.