

JUDICIAL & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES

July 5, 2022

Remote Meeting using WebEx/phone and in-person at Services Center- County Board
Room- 480 Underwood Ave– Montello, Wisconsin

1. Chairperson Al Rosenthal called the Public Safety Committee meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.

Members present: Al Rosenthal-Chairperson, Ken Borzick, Al Gibeaut, Mary Walters, and Kathy Jo Locke

Others present: Administrator Ron Barger, Sheriff Joe Konrath, Captain Mike Kowalski, Lieutenant Aaron Williams, EMS Director Rob Lulling, Coroner Tom Wastart, and Gayle Mack

2. Motion to approve the agenda as presented by Ken Borzick and seconded by Mary Walters. Motion carried.
3. Motion to approve the June 7, 2022 minutes by Mary Walters and seconded by Kathy Jo Locke. Motion carried.
4. Reports of official meetings held in the prior month-None
5. Upcoming Events/Issues/Citizen Comments-None
6. Committee Reviewed Vouchers as Presented
7. Clerk of Court Shari Rudolph and District Attorney Brian Juech were unavailable. Emergency Management Director Lt. Aaron Williams reported EM had command trailer in Oxford for the fireworks. Emergency Management partnered with Marquette Adams and wired in high-speed internet to command trailer. Trailer will be on display at the Marquette County Fair. Coroner Tom Wastart noted numbers are up around 80 and has been busy running both Green Lake and Marquette Counties. Tom met with Public Safety Committee in Green Lake County. They discussed workload and options for combining the Medical Examiner position. Further conversation will take place with Administrator Barger.
8. EMS Director Rob Lulling noted calls are being projected to be over 2,000 this year. 197 calls for June. Up 6% from last year. 34 calls in 3 days over July 4th weekend. 10 applications for 3 openings. 8 people interviewed. 4 jobs offered, 3 accepted. One paramedic position yet to be filled. Discussion regarding educating EMT's to become paramedics. Stats are available on SharePoint.
9. Sheriff Konrath discussed hiring analysis for dispatcher/jailer and requested 2 additional positions be added for 2023. Source of funding will go against tax levy but will collect revenue from Board of Prisoners line item in budget. Currently hosting 10 inmates/safekeepers from Marathon County. If county maintains increased number of safekeepers the jail needs to be properly staffed. Sheriff Konrath reported numbers for possible overtime in the upcoming months and noted the difficulty it places on deputies to work additional hours. Captain Kowalski shared the issues the jail/dispatch faces with staffing shortages, noting programs that require significant time, such as telephonic CPR and CIB audit, are getting more difficult to complete on time. PREA audit noted that jail administrator does not have enough time to complete PREA Coordinator duties. Vacations have been being denied due to staffing since

April if they were not planned ahead of time. Captain Kowalski noted Marquette County has MOU-89 contract with the State. Have not had increased staffing since 2015. Captain Kowalski and Sheriff Konrath reported the different programs and situations that require deputy presence. Discussion followed. Administrator Barger recommended the committee move the topic forward to Executive & Finance Committee. Moved by Al Gibeaut and seconded by Mary Walters to present proposal to Executive & Finance Committee for the 2023 budget. Motion carried. Sheriff Konrath presented NG911 PSAP Grant Program information. Moved by Ken Borzick and seconded by Al Gibeaut to forward the drafted PSAP resolution to County Board. Motion carried. Moved by Mary Walters and seconded by Al Gibeaut to send Chief Deputy Scott Johnston to conference in Missouri. Motion carried. Sheriff Konrath noted that McCarthy has retired, with hopes to fill the vacant position by the end of August.

10. Administrator Ron Barger shared the Humane Officer Contract for 2023 submitted by Gary Krueger. It was noted that it would be a \$6,000 increase in compensation. Moved by Mary Walters and seconded by Al Gibeaut to move the Humane Officer Contract to Executive & Finance Committee. Motion carried.
11. The agenda having been completed Committee Chairperson Al Rosenthal declared the meeting adjourned at 3:37 p.m.

Kiley Lloyd, County Clerk