

## **JUDICIAL & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**December 6, 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, Kathy Jo Locke, and Mary Walters

Others present: Administrator Ron Barger, Sheriff Joe Konrath, Lieutenant Aaron Williams, EMS Director Rob Lulling, and Jordan Powell (virtual), Supervisor Nigbor, Supervisor Krentz, Supervisor Fenner, numerous citizens both in-person and virtual.

2. Motion to approve the agenda as presented by Ken Borzick and seconded by Al Gibeaut. Motion carried.
3. Motion to approve the October 4, 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 Circuit Court Shari Rudolph and DA Brian Juech were unavailable. Emergency Management Director Lt. Aaron Williams reported his grant period will now go through December. He also noted he worked with the Health Dept. to make introductions between Health Dept. and the Amish Community to assist in Health service opportunities.
8. Administrator Barger reported Medical Examiner contract is approved and signed by Marquette County and Green Lake County Corp Counsels and County Administrators. Motion by Ken Borzick and seconded by Al Gibeaut to approve the ME fee schedule and forward to County Board. Motion carried. Medical Examiner interviews to be held Friday.
9. EMS Director Rob Lulling reported he reached out to the Princeton Fire District and will be at their meeting Wednesday evening to finalize Town of Mecan servicing. Rob reported LifeQuest did a billing survey and Marquette County was found to be on the lower end for private insurance fees. Rob's recommendation to increase user fees for 2023. Motion by Mary Walters and seconded by Kathy Jo Locke to approve recommended fee increases and forward to County Board. Motion carried. Rob noted there is an extrication contract from 1997 that has \$1,000 going to 5 departments to go outside their departments for extrication/use of equipment. Rob recommended the contract be looked at and possibly get re-written and to get updated signatures. Consensus is for Administrator to look at contract and make any changes necessary. Tom Krueger, Fire Chief of Neshkoro, addressed the committee and noted their Fire Dept. upgraded to battery powered jaws of life. New set around cost of \$12,000. Rob and Ron will work on contract together. Rob presented PowerPoint regarding Marquette County/Waushara County EMS Contract. Contract

was drawn up 3 years ago. Ron noted this contract was presented from Waushara County and there was a quick turnaround for contract to be due. The floor was opened for citizen comments/questions. Citizens Jerry Hebert, Dennis Fenner, Dave Krentz, Larry Henke, Jeff Sina, Cheryl Anderson, Shaun Reetz, Tom Krueger, Kathleen Lotspeich, and Fred Bohlmann addressed the committee speaking in favor of continuing contract with Waushara County. Ron recommended the committee renew the contract, but not for 3 years. In favor of yearly contract. Committee discussion followed. Consensus was to continue with Waushara County for yearly contract. Administration to sit down with Waushara, Crystal Lake, and Neshkoro prior to the next contract renewal. Rob other updates- worked with MASO and updated AED's in squads and public buildings from ARPA funds. Rob reported there were two internal promotions to shift leaders. Rob was appointed to the Professional Ambulance Association of Wisconsin Board of Directors.

10. Sheriff Konrath reported Marquette County was awarded the bodycam grant with a 50% match. Will order cameras in January. It will take 4-6 months once cameras are ordered. He also shared Deputy Steve Kemnitz has retired after 29 years. He reported k-9 Deputy Brandner is leaving for Columbia County. Two other deputies are also in talks with other counties to possibly leave. Currently 1 dispatch/jail short.
11. Dennis Fenner addressed the JPS Committee thanking the committee and the citizens for their input regarding the Marquette County/Waushara County EMS contract.
12. The agenda having been completed Committee Chairperson Al Rosenthal declared the meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

Kiley Lloyd, County Clerk