

JUDICIAL & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES

June 4, 2024

Remote Meeting using WebEx/phone and in-person at Law Enforcement
Center/Courthouse- Public Safety Room
67 W Park St– Montello, Wisconsin

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

Members present: Judi Nigbor, Ken Borzick, Lance Achterberg, Chuck Bornhoeft. (One vacant seat on committee)

Others present: Supervisor Mary Walters, Administrator Ron Barger, EMS Director Rob Lulling, Clerk of Court Shari Rudolph, MIS Director Dan Buchholz, DA Cliff Burdon, EM Director Lt. Aaron Williams, Sheriff Joe Konrath, Medical Examiner Tom Wastart, and EMS Assistant Director Jordan Powell (virtual)

2. Motion to approve the agenda as presented by Ken Borzick and seconded by Chuck Bornhoeft. Motion carried.
3. Motion to approve the April 2, 2024, minutes by Ken Borzick and seconded by Lance Achterberg. Motion carried.
4. Reports of official meetings held in the prior month- Request by Administrator Barger to have closed session at July meeting for Humane Officer Contract.
5. Upcoming Events/Issues/Citizen Comments- Citizen Joy Manley addressed the committee regarding free-roaming animal issues.
6. Committee Reviewed Vouchers as Presented- Medical Examiner voucher list and contract clarification discussion. Autopsy and toxicology process payment discussed.
7. Clerk of Circuit Court Shari Rudolph gave an update to the committee and reported jury trial is no longer happening. 60 jurors showed up at \$20/day + mileage. Shari noted there would be multiple big trials coming up. DA Cliff Burdon reported the important teamwork involved for the hearing/plea and gave updated information around the case, noting each department/office that assisted with the case. Cliff reported he has a retired DA that is willing to review cases that need to be charged out. EM Director Lt. Aaron Williams reported information on May 21st weather outcomes. Medical Examiner Tom Wastart reported to new committee members that he covers both Green Lake County and Marquette County- Current death numbers are at 64 for Marquette and 84 for Green Lake. Tom shared he has a part-time deputy that covers both counties.
8. Sheriff Konrath reported information regarding a new possible PSAP grant, which would cover moving PSAP to a different location, including the furniture. The grant will not cover construction or additional staffing. Will give presentation in July regarding jail/dispatch split. Joe noted a split would likely require the hiring of 4 additional deputies. Ron found opioid settlement fund can be used for construction of jail separation. Grant is a 10% match. Grant application is due August 1st. Discussion followed.

Joe reported he will need to order 5 new squad cars for 2025. Quotes of Ford Explorer \$45,255 – quote closes in August- Dodge \$43,884.75 – quote closes in September. Vehicles would be delivered in 2025. Vehicles would be paid for in Jan. 2025. Ron suggested the county use shared revenue to cover the cost of the vehicles. Moved by Ken Borzick and seconded by Lance Achterberg to authorize the Sheriff's Office to order a maximum of 5 vehicles for 2025. Motion carried.

Joe reported the x-ray machine is broken and requested the funding to purchase a new machine with a 4-year service agreement at \$49,823. The committee requested additional quotes and possible financing options.

Joe reported the Traffic Safety Committee approved BOTS grant awarded \$25,000 to cover OT/expenses and an additional \$14,000 to purchase a speed trailer.

Other updates given by Joe- Hired Brandon Rasmussen as patrol deputy. Joe Starke now Jail Sgt. Sgt. Brian Ropicky received MOCIC award for swatting case.

9. EMS Director Rob Lulling reported 2013 Med 1 needs to be replaced. Med 1 needs to be on battery tender to be used being it does not have a shoreline. Rob has grant of \$40,000 left in account and would like to order vehicle with Sheriff for 2025. Discussion followed regarding Med 1 and Med 2 use. Committee consensus to get additional information before a decision is made. Rob reported Zoll monitors that were purchased have been delivered. Zoll trainers will have mandatory training and setting up next week. Soft roll out June 17th. Hard cut over on June 25th. The first payment was made from operation surplus, next payment budgeted for 2025. Other updates given by Rob- Call volume report on SharePoint- hired one full-time and one part time EMT. Rob has a few part-time paramedics that have applied. Rob reported causeway update- portion that normally goes to Unit 81 will go to Unit 80.
10. Committee consensus was to begin JPS at 2:00 p.m. The agenda having been completed Committee Chairperson Judi Nigbor declared the meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

Kiley Lloyd, County Clerk