

JUDICIAL & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES

September 3, 2024

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

1. Chairperson Judi Nigbor called the Public Safety Committee meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Members present: Judi Nigbor, Lance Achterberg, Chuck Bornhoeft, Gary Sorensen, and Ken Borzick

Others present: Supervisor Mary Walters, Supervisor Dave Benson, Supervisor Peggy Krause, Administrator Ron Barger, EMS Director Rob Lulling, HR Manager Melanie Zuehls, DA Cliff Burdon, Chief Deputy Clerk Courtney Trimble (virtual), EM Director Lt. Aaron Williams, Sheriff Joe Konrath, Marquette County Fire Chiefs, Gus Thalacker- Town of Harris, Judge Hendee, Clerk of Court Shari Rudolph (virtual)

2. Motion to approve the agenda as presented by Chuck Bornhoeft and seconded by Ken Borzick. Motion carried.
3. Motion to approve the August 6, 2024 minutes by Lance Achterberg and seconded by Chuck Bornhoeft. Motion carried.
4. Reports of official meetings held in the prior month- None
5. Upcoming Events/Issues/Citizen Comments- Glenn Thalacker addressed the committee regarding the Fire Association and EMABAS contract. He requested the county board contact each town chairperson to see how much they are willing to contribute towards the contract.
6. Committee Reviewed Vouchers as Presented- None
7. Fire Chief Steve Klump reported the biggest share for calls were EMS assists and noted they have 11% of the calls. Chief Klump reported they would be willing to contribute \$500 per year for the duration of the EMABAS contract. Fire Chief Jon Vote and Fire Chief Jason Stauffacher presented additional information. Supervisors Benson and Sorensen requested Marquette County support the contract without the county requesting the \$500 from the Fire Association. Moved by Lance Achterberg and seconded by Chuck Bornhoeft to move forward with EMABAS contract to be budgeted within EMS and EM budgets. Motion carried.
8. EMS Director Rob Lulling gave an EMS personnel update. He noted they will be fully staffed beginning Sept. 10th. Rob reported over the last 6 weeks there have been two pulses/non-breathing saves. He also noted his staff have been working hard, covering 9 sick calls for 24 hr. shifts over the last month. Clerk of Court Shari Rudolph appeared virtually and reported she has no new office updates.
9. Administrator Ron Barger reported all budgets that will be presented are preliminary and will require changes.

Judge Hendee presented the proposed 2025 Judicial budget. Judge Hendee noted that the Treatment Court program is grant funded. Judge Hendee gave a Treatment Court update to the full committee, reporting that transitional housing is going well. Fourth jury trial for the year finished last week. Moved by Ken Borzick and seconded by Chuck Bornhoeft to approve the 2025 proposed Judicial budget and forward to Executive & Finance Committee. Motion carried.

DA Cliff Burdon reported that due to ADA closing out 30+ cases, they will be increasing the percentage of Admin Assistant from 50% to 75% for 2025 and will be changing Office Manager title to Admin Assistant position. Moved by Chuck Bornhoeft and seconded by Gary Sorensen to approve 2025 proposed DA budget and forward to Executive & Finance Committee. Motion carried.

Administrator Barger reported he has had no communication with Green Lake County for 2025 budget. Corp Counsel and Administrator will work with Green Lake County to get more concrete numbers. If numbers are not agreed upon, Marquette will give 90-day notice to terminate the contract.

EM Director Lt. Aaron Williams presented the EM 2025 proposed budget. Moved by Gary Sorensen and seconded by Ken Borzick to approve the 2025 proposed EM budget and forward to Executive & Finance Committee. Motion carried.

10. Sheriff Konrath reported the x-ray machine will be delivered Jan. 2025 and will be in the 2025 budget. There is currently an alternate way for individuals to be scanned for those that enter the courthouse. Sheriff Konrath presented the proposed 2025 Sheriff's Office budget. Specific budget details were determined to continue in closed session.
11. Moved by Ken Borzick and seconded by Chuck Bornhoeft to move into closed session per Wis. Stat. 19.85 (1)(c) under agenda item 11. Motion carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting yes. Closed session began at 3:47 p.m.
12. Moved by Judi Nigbor and seconded by Ken Borzick to return to open session as per Wis. Stat. 19.85 (2) and agenda item 12. Motion carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting yes. Open session began at 4:07 p.m.
13. Moved by Ken Borzick and seconded by Gary Sorensen to preliminarily approve the proposed 2025 Sheriff's Office Budget with the condition the Sheriff and Administration identify any alternative financing and look into line items/expenses and communicate any changes made to the Judicial & Public Safety Committee or full County Board and forward to Executive & Finance Committee. Motion carried 4:1. (Noes: Nigbor)
14. The agenda having been completed Committee Chairperson Judi Nigbor declared the meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

Kiley Lloyd, County Clerk