

Minutes of the Wood County Public Safety Committee

DATE: March 12, 2018

PRESENT: Mike Feirer, Dennis Polach, Joe Zurfluh, Bill Winch, Brad Hamilton

EXCUSED:

OTHERS Bill Clendenning, Steve Kreuser, Sarah Christensen, Dara Hamm, Lori Heideman,

PRESENT: Lance Pliml, Marla Cummings, Randy Dorshorst, Kelli Trzinski

LOCATION: Wood County Annex and Health Center - Marshfield

1. **Call to Order:**

Mike Feirer called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

2. **Review minutes of February 12, 2018:**

Motion by Hamilton, second by Winch to approve the minutes of the February 12, 2018 meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

3. **Public Comments:**

No public comments

4. **Courthouse Security Issues and Updates:**

No Updates

5. **Discuss railroad crossing time limits in the City of Wisconsin Rapids:**

Supervisor Winch stated that it would be nice to have people report when, what times and for how long the trains are blocking intersections. This should be mailed to Ethan Holmes at ethan.holmes@mail.house.gov so that he can speak with CN about it. Steve Kreuser will contact Joe with the city and see if they have any of this information. Lori will have her staff start making record of when this occurs.

6. **Animal Drawn Vehicles:**

Steve Kreuser updated the Committee on the talks with the Amish. They are all in agreement to have two headlights, two taillights, and a flashing beacon on top in the center on of their buggies.

7. **ATVs on the Roadway:**

Supervisor Winch discussed the ATVs on the roadways. He presented information from a resolution and Act 87 information. This is a discussion to develop an interconnected County wide trail system and to allow ATVs to use the highways to navigate to different parts of the

trails.

Motion by Winch, second by Hamilton that the committee support the resolution to improve the ATV/UTV trail system in Wood County. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Emergency Management Department:

a. Communications February 2018 Claims:

The Committee reviewed the Communications February 2018 claims.

b. Communications Report:

The Committee reviewed the Communications report.

c. Emergency Management February 2018 Claims:

The Committee reviewed the Emergency Management February 2018 claims.

d. Emergency Management Activity Report:

The Committee reviewed the Emergency Management activity report. Steve talked about the generator on the west side tower site and that it failed but is now fixed. Steve shared pictures with the committee of the demolition of the 1st floor EM office and of the oil pipes that have been leaking fuel oil for years. Steve presented the department recommendation on the remodel.

Motion by Hamilton, second by Winch to support the EM recommendation of opening at least 3 of the 4 windows and pulling out the oil pipes. Possibly sealing the walls and using stucco instead of putting up drywall over the bricks. Continue to work with Maintenance to ensure that the space is suitable for office staff and EOC operations. Motion carried unanimously.

9. Dispatch Department:

a. Dispatch February 2018 Claims:

The Committee reviewed the Dispatch February 2018 claims.

b. Dispatch Report:

The Committee reviewed the Dispatch Report as presented. Lori talked about the new staff and that she has hired the last person needed to fill her staff. By May they should be done training and be up to full staff. Lori presented a packet of year end information comparisons to the committee. Discussed text to 911. Waiting for State Mandates/Guidelines. There are only a handful of PSAPS in the State that have this. Their new system is capable of this, so when it rolls out they will not need new equipment. Lori answered questions about her report and warrant issues.

10. Set date, time and location of next meeting:

**April 9, 2018
2:15 pm
Wood County Courthouse**

11. Humane Officer:

a. Humane Officer Report:

The Committee reviewed the Humane Officer report.

b. February 2018 Claims:

The Committee reviewed the Humane Officer February 2018 claims.

12. Coroner:

a. Coroner Report:

The Committee reviewed the Coroner report.

b. February 2018 Claims:

The Committee reviewed the Coroner February 2018 claims.

c. Discuss Moving Coroner's Position from Part-time to Fulltime

Coroner Hamm discussed the benefits of making the coroner position fulltime instead of part-time.

Joe Zurfluh wants to know what the Executive Committee thinks about making the position fulltime. He also stated he wanted more information.

Lance Pliml stated he would need to see more information before he would be able to make a decision.

Motion by Zurfluh, second by Polach to table the discussion and decision until more information is produced. Motion carried unanimously.

13. Sheriff's Department:

a. Correspondence:

No correspondences this month.

b. February 2018 Claims:

The Committee reviewed the Sheriff's Department February 2018 claims.

c. 2019 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP):

Chief Deputy Randy Dorshorst presented and explained the Capital Improvement Plan.

Motion by Hamilton, second by Polach to approve the 2019 Capital Improvement Plan. Motion carried unanimously.

d. Updates:

Crimestoppers: See Report.

Safe Ride Initiative: None.

Criminal Justice Task Force: None.

K9: See Report.

Courthouse Security: None

e. Jail Items:

All jail reports were reviewed.

14. February 2018 Claims: Dispatch, Communications, Emergency Management, and Sheriff:

Motion by Zurfluh, second by Hamilton to approve the February 2018 claims of all Public Safety Committee Departments. Motion carried unanimously.

15. Agenda Items:

16. Adjourn:

Motion by Hamilton, second by Zurfluh to adjourn at 2:45 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes taken by Wood County Sheriff's Department.

Bill Winch, Secretary
Public Safety Committee

