

Minutes of the Wood County Public Safety Committee

DATE: June 19, 2017

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

EXCUSED: Bill Winch

OTHERS PRESENT: Steve Kreuser, Bill Clendenning, Thomas Reichert, Lori Heideman, Dara Hamm, Nanci Olson, Lance Pliml, Laura Clark, Mark Stickney, Dan Brandl, Amy Kaup, Sarah Christensen, Craig Lambert

LOCATION: Wood County Courthouse

1. Call to Order:

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

2. Review minutes of May 8, 2017:

Motion by Hamilton, second by Polach to approve the minutes of the May 8, 2017 meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Public Comments:

No public comments.

4. Emergency Management Department:

a. Communications May 2017 Claims:

The Committee reviewed the Communications May 2017 claims.

b. Communications Report:

The Committee reviewed the Communications report.

c. Emergency Management May 2017 Claims:

The Committee reviewed the Emergency Management May 2017 claims.

d. Emergency Management Activity Report:

The Committee reviewed the Emergency Management Activity Report.

e. Work Relief Program Presentation:

The Committee viewed the PowerPoint presentation given by Steve Kreuser. Steve answered any questions that the Committee had.

5. Dispatch Department:

a. Dispatch May 2017 Claims:

The Committee reviewed the Dispatch May 2017 claims.

b. Dispatch Report:

The Committee reviewed the Dispatch Report as presented. Lori answered all questions from the Committee.

c. Staff Update:

Lori stated that they received over 80 applications for the open dispatcher position. After reviewing the applications, they will be administering testing to approximately 65 individuals in late June. She hopes to conduct interviews in mid-July and make an offer of employment by the beginning of August.

d. Space Needs/Move Update:

The move date for dispatch is tentatively scheduled for July 26. Lori talked about the mold on her office walls and the ceiling tiles falling down.

e. CIS Administrative Function Discussion:

Lori talked about CIS and how they have been having problems with too many people being able to change things. An officer is coming up wrong in some reports, etc. Amy Kaup spoke about how IT has some concerns with how CIS is set up and that there are too many people making too many changes that aren't in a uniform manner. Amy stated that they will be bringing these concerns up at the next Central Records meeting.

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

July 17, 2017

1:00 p.m.

Wood County Annex & Health Center – Marshfield, WI

7. Humane Officer:

a. Humane Officer Report:

The Committee reviewed the Humane Officer report. Humane Officer Kinney stated dog bites are up, however it's attributed to school being out.

b. May 2017 Claims:

The Committee reviewed the Humane Officer May 2017 claims.

8. Coroner:

a. Coroner Report:

The Committee reviewed the Coroner report. Coroner Hamm stated she has been asked to chair the Child Death Review Team Committee.

b. May 2017 Claims:

The Committee reviewed the Coroner May 2017 claims.

9. Sheriff's Department:

a. Correspondence:

Sheriff Reichert stated he received notification from the Tavern League that there are some gambling machines at four area businesses in the Wisconsin Rapids/Rudolph area that are in violation of the statutes. Sheriff stated he sent out letters to each establishment. He stated the establishments need a Class B license to have gambling machines and the four businesses he sent letters to do not have a Class B license.

b. May 2017 Claims:

The Committee reviewed the Sheriff's Department May 2017 claims.

c. Jail Stale Dated Checks – Resolution:

Laura Clark spoke about the stale dated checks from the jail. These are checks that have been issued a while ago and have not been cashed by the recipient. She explained the jail will be going to debit cards in the near future in hopes to alleviate this problem.

Motion by Hamilton, second by Zurfluh to pass the resolution of stale dated checks from the jail. Motion carried unanimously.

d. Discuss CBRF Options:

Supervisor Clendenning as well as County Board Chairman Pliml discussed the CBRF building the county owns on Airport Avenue. Decisions will need to be made by the Executive Committee on what is going to happen regarding the ownership of the building.

e. Marshfield Office:

Sheriff Reichert stated he received an email from the Director of Norwood, Jordon Bruce. The email stated they propose raising the rent for the Marshfield Office Sheriff's Department

by approximately 22%. Sheriff Reichert shared his feelings of why he feels this is unfair, especially due to the fact that the Sheriff's Department paid for all the renovations from the Sheriff's Department budget. Supervisor Wagner subsequently put out a memo last week stating there would be no increase in rent.

f. CD/DVD Data to District Attorney's Office:

Supervisor Zurfluh explained he asked for this item to be on the agenda as it was brought up in a Central Records meeting of the costly effect it is having on smaller departments. District Attorney Lambert was present and explained why his office is requesting all DVD/CDs be sent up when the original report is filed with their office. He cited getting reports in a piece meal fashion is not acceptable. However, with all agencies now having body cameras as well as squad cameras, this poses a significant amount of work and money to get the CD/DVDs downloaded. Another issue is the arresting agency getting the videos from "all" agencies that were present during the incident.

Discussion was held regarding options of some type of shared system that everyone with access can get the videos, etc. The "Cloud" was talked about in which IT Director Amy Kaup stated there are significant costs involved when "retrieving" information from the "Cloud." The main issue is cost and how are agencies going to pay for it. This needs to be looked at further. A Central Records meeting will be held to discuss this further with all agencies present as well as DA Lambert.

g. Updates:

Crimestoppers: See report.

Safe Ride Initiative: None

Criminal Justice Task Force: See report.

K9: See report

Courthouse Security: See report.

h. Jail Items:

All jail reports were reviewed. Sheriff Reichert explained EMP is going strong, as the average is over 29 inmates out on EMP during the month of June.

10. May 2017 Claims: Dispatch, Communications, Emergency Management, and Sheriff:

Motion by Zurfluh, second by Polach, to approve the May 2017 claims of all Public Safety Committee Departments. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Agenda Items:

Jail Overtime Reports

12. Adjourn:

Motion by Hamilton, second by Polach to adjourn at 2:06 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes taken by Wood County Emergency Management & Wood County Sheriff's Department.

Electronically signed by Michael Feirer on 6-21-17.

Michael Feirer, Chairman
Public Safety Committee