

## Minutes of the Wood County Public Safety Committee

**DATE:** July 13, 2020

**PRESENT:** Dennis Polach, Joe Zurfluh, Mike Feirer, Bill Winch

**EXCUSED:** Brad Hamilton

**NOT**

**PRESENT:**

**OTHERS**

**PRESENT:** Steve Kreuser, Scott Brehm, Randy Dorshorst, Lori Heideman, Kelli Trzinski, Erik Engel, Bill Clendenning, Quentin Ellis, Reuben VanTassel, Ted Ashbeck

**LOCATION:** Wood County Courthouse

### 1. Call to Order:

Mike Feirer called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

### 2. Review minutes of June 8, 2020:

**Motion by Polach, second by Winch to approve the minutes of the June 8, 2020 meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.**

### 3. Public Comments:

No Public Comments.

### 4. Set date, time and location of next meeting:

**August 10, 2020**

**9:00 a.m.**

**Wood County Courthouse**

### 5. Communications Department:

#### a. **Communications June 2020 Claims:**

The Committee reviewed the Communications June 2020 claims.

#### b. **Communications Report:**

Erik answered questions on working with the microwave replacement vendor. Erik stated Lori Heideman was contacted due to the microwave upgrade. Erik stated they are trying to keep the downtime on the microwave project upgrade to a minimum.

**6. Emergency Management Department**

**a. Emergency Management June 2020 Claims:**

The Committee reviewed the Emergency Management June 2020 claims.

**b. Emergency Management Activity Report:**

The Committee reviewed the Emergency Management report. Steve Kreuser talked about the CARES Grant. Steve stated the County was awarded 1.2 million payable at three different times during the year. Steve stated the County could apply for FEMA Grant monies at the end of the year and during the first part of next year.

Steve stated PPE is still ongoing with approximately 170 facilities being supplied.

**7. Dispatch Department:**

**a. June 2020 Claims:**

The Committee reviewed the Dispatch June 2020 claims.

**b. Dispatch Report:**

The Committee reviewed the Dispatch report.

Lori Heideman stated four dispatchers have been hired. She stated she will be at full staff once the new dispatchers are done with training.

Lori stated she went ahead and ordered the backup phones. She stated she went with iPhones because they have easier transfer features. She said Solarus helped her set the phones up.

**8. Coroner:**

**a. Coroner Report:**

The Committee reviewed the Coroner report.

**b. June 2020 Claims:**

The Committee reviewed the Coroner June 2020 claims.

**9. Humane Officer**

**a. Humane Officer Report:**

The Committee reviewed the Human Officer Report.

**b. June 2020 Claims:**

The Committee reviewed the Humane Officer June 2020 claims.

**10. Sheriff's Department:**

**a. Correspondences:**

Chief Deputy Dorshorst stated Sheriff Becker is currently talking with Adams County Sheriff Brent York regarding lowering our safekeeper numbers.

Chief Deputy Dorshorst stated Waupaca County currently has an outbreak of COVID-19. He stated inmates are not being accepted at the facility at this time.

**b. Wood County Rescue:**

The Committee reviewed the Wood County Rescue report.

**c. Crime Stoppers:**

The Committee reviewed the Crime Stoppers report.

**d. K-9 Project:**

The Committee reviewed the K-9 report.

**e. June 2020 Claims:**

The Committee reviewed the Sheriff's Department June 2020 claims.

**f. Hiring Process:**

Chief Deputy Dorshorst stated the Department currently has four openings. He further stated the Department has hired two deputies. He stated one deputy would be starting at the end of July with the other deputy starting two weeks after. He also stated they hoped to have a third deputy hired by next month with the fourth deputy being hired by the end of the year.

**g. COPS Grant Award-Resolution**

**Motion by Zurfluh, second by Polach to accept the COPS Hiring Program grant funding and create a position dedicated to drug investigation with the resolution bypassing the Operations Committee and going directly to the County Board. Motion carried unanimously.**

**h. Boat/ATV/UTV Patrol:**

The Committee reviewed the Boat/ATV/UTV Patrol report.

**i. Overtime:**

The Committee reviewed the overtime report.

**j. Courthouse Security:**

The Committee reviewed the Courthouse Security report.

**k. Jail Items**

- i. Inmate Daily Population: Reviewed
- ii. EMP: Reviewed
- iii. Safekeeper Housing Numbers: Reviewed
- iv. Kitchen Report: Reviewed
- v. Maintenance: Nothing to Report
- vi. Inmate Programs: Nothing to Report
- vii. Jail Study-Meeting coming up July 31, 2020.

**11. June 2020 Claims: Communications, Emergency Management, Dispatch, Sheriff, Coroner, and Humane Officer:**

**Motion by Zurfluh, second by Polach to approve the June 2020 claims of all Public Safety Committee Departments. Motion carried unanimously.**

**12. Agenda Items for Next Meeting:**

Memo to department heads on how to proceed with future resolutions  
Memo requesting names of authors on Committee reports

**13. Adjourn**

**Meeting adjourned at 9:54 a.m. by Chairman Feirer.**

Minutes taken by Wood County Sheriff's Department