

## Minutes of the Wood County Public Safety Committee

**DATE:** September 13, 2021

**PRESENT:** Bill Winch, Mike Feirer, Dennis Polach, Brad Hamilton

**EXCUSED:** Joe Zurfluh

**NOT**

**PRESENT:**

**OTHERS** David Patton, Lance Pliml, Bill Clendenning, Dave LaFontaine, Erik Engel, Kelli

**PRESENT:** Trzinski, Quentin Ellis, Shawn Becker, Ted Ashbeck, Lori Heideman, Sarah Christensen, Nanci Olson, Ed Newton, Alexa Acker

**LOCATION:** Wood County Courthouse

### 1. **Call to Order:**

Mike Feirer called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

### 2. **Review minutes of August 9, 2021:**

Move Bill Clendenning and Lance Pliml from “Present” section to “Others Present” section.

**Motion by Hamilton, second by Polach to approve the minutes of the August 9, 2021 meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.**

### 3. **Public Comments:**

No Public Comments.

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

**October 11, 2021**

**9:00 a.m.**

**Wood County Courthouse Room 114**

### 5. **Communications Department:**

#### a. **Communications August 2021 Claims:**

The Committee reviewed the Communications August 2021 claims.

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

The Committee reviewed the report.

c. **2022 Budget:**

The Committee reviewed the 2022 budget. Erik stated the budget should cover anything that should come up in 2022.

**Motion by Hamilton, second by Polach to move the 2022 budget for the Communications' Department to the Operations Committee. Motion carried unanimously.**

6. **Emergency Management Department:**

a. **Emergency Management August 2021 Claims:**

The Committee reviewed the Emergency Management August 2022 claims. Clarified what trailer budget is used for and that it is reimbursed through grant money.

b. **Emergency Management Activity Report:**

The Committee reviewed the Emergency Management report. Talked about increase in PPE requests due to some Covid outbreaks at some nursing homes and assisted living facilities.

c. **2022 Budget:**

The Committee reviewed the 2022 budget. Came in at .36% over last year. Decreased some revenues due to a lack of participation on the work program at this time.

**Motion by Hamilton, second by Polach to move the 2022 budget for the Emergency Management Department to the Operations Committee. Motion carried unanimously.**

7. **Dispatch Department:**

a. **Dispatch August 2021 Claims:**

The Committee reviewed the Dispatch August 2021 claims.

b. **Dispatch Activity Report:**

The Committee reviewed the Dispatch report.

c. **2022 Budget:**

The Committee reviewed the 2022 budget. Lori stated the main source of increase is from the wage and benefits being reclassified. Stated the main dispatchers will now be in class G and the leads will be in class H.

**Motion by Hamilton, second by Polach to move the 2022 budget for the Dispatch Department to the Operations Committee. Motion carried unanimously.**

**8. Coroner:**

**a. Coroner Report:**

The Committee reviewed the Coroner report.

**b. August 2021 Claims:**

The Committee reviewed the Coroner August 2021 claims.

**c. 2022 Budget:**

The Committee reviewed the Coroner's 2022 Budget.

**Motion by Hamilton, second by Polach to move the 2022 budget for the Coroner's Department to the Operations Committee. Motion carried unanimously.**

**9. Humane Officer**

**a. Humane Officer Report:**

The Committee reviewed the Humane Officer Report.

**b. 2022 Budget:**

The Committee reviewed the Humane Officer's 2022 budget.

**Motion by Hamilton, second by Polach to move the 2022 budget for the Humane Officers to the Operations Committee. Motion carried unanimously.**

**10. Sheriff's Department:**

**a. Correspondences:**

Sheriff Becker told the Committee Lt. Joseph Zurfluh has decided to go back to a patrol deputy position. He thanked Deputy Zurfluh for his work as the Investigations Lieutenant.

Sheriff Becker stated he and Deputy Sara McCormick testified in front of the Wisconsin State Senate in Madison regarding the LaVonne Zenner Memorial Bridge.

**b. 2022 Budget:**

The Committee reviewed the Sheriff's Department's 2022 budget.

**Motion by Hamilton, second by Polach to move the 2022 budget for the Sheriff's Department to the Operations Committee. Motion carried unanimously.**

**c. Stale Dated Check Resolution:**

**Motion by Hamilton, second by Polach to cancel stale dated checks as recommended by the auditors. Said checks from the Wood County Jail inmate account as per office of the Wood County Sheriff. Motion carried unanimously.**

**d. Wood County Rescue:**

The Committee reviewed the Wood County Rescue report.

**e. Crime Stoppers:**

The Committee reviewed the Crime Stoppers report.

**f. K-9 Project:**

The Committee reviewed the K-9 report.

**g. August 2021 Claims:**

The Committee reviewed the Sheriff's Department August 2021 claims.

**h. Hiring Process:**

Nothing to report.

**i. Boat/ATV/UTV/Snowmobile Patrol:**

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

**j. Overtime:**

The Committee reviewed the overtime reports.

**k. Courthouse Security:**

The Committee reviewed the Courthouse Security report.

**l. Jail Items**

- i. Inmate Daily Population: Reviewed.
- ii. EMP: Reviewed
- iii. Safekeeper Housing Numbers: Reviewed
- iv. Kitchen Report: Reviewed
- v. Body Scanner: Reviewed
- vi. Jail Annual Inspection: Reviewed
- vii. Letter of Intent for New Jail: Reviewed

- viii. Neighborhood Notification Letter: Sheriff Becker said he has not had any complaints addressed to him from the notification letters regarding the new jail.
- ix. Maintenance: Nothing to Report
- x. Inmate Programs: Nothing to Report
- xi. Jail Study: Sheriff Becker stated the Wisconsin Rapids City Council will be discussing the rezoning of the Avon St. parking lot tonight, September 13, 2021.

**11. August 2021 Claims: Communications, Emergency Management, Dispatch, Sheriff, Coroner, and Humane Officer:**

**Motion by Hamilton, second by Polach to approve the August 2021 claims of all Public Safety Committee Departments. Motion carried unanimously.**

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

None

**13. Adjourn**

**Meeting adjourned at 12:03 p.m. by Chairman Feirer.**

Minutes taken by the Wood County Sheriff's Department and Wood County Emergency Management