

Public Safety & Judiciary Committee
Wednesday, December 10, 2014
9:00 a.m. – Conference Room A260

MINUTES

Chairman Allen called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. The meeting was properly announced.

Committee members present: Robert Eggebrecht, Marge Edwards, Jack Allen, and Robert Grabarski – Jerry Kotlowski was excused.

Others present: Carol Collins, Tania Bonnett, Kris Steffens, Jane Gervais, Marilyn Rogers, and Terry Fahrenkrug

Motion by Edwards to approve the agenda, seconded by Eggebrecht. Motion carried by unanimous vote. Kotlowski – Excused.

Motion by Grabarski to approve the prior meeting minutes (November 12, 2014), seconded by Edwards. Motion carried by unanimous vote. Kotlowski – Excused.

There was no public participation. There was no correspondence.

District Attorney – Tania Bonnett – Present

Bonnett informed the Committee that things have picked up again in the office. Bonnett stated the staff is doing a good job picking up the slack since the retirement of the Office Manager. Committee was provided with the financial report and community service report for November 2014. Bonnett stated there was nothing unusual to report and there were no questions. Bonnett gave a recap on the 2014 jury trials and stated it was a fairly successful year. Bonnett stated the forensic interviewing room at Health & Human Services has been useful and will report on the statistics at the meeting next month. Bonnett updated the committee on the hiring of the Office Manager/Attorney position and stated the job posting is currently being advertised on the web and in the newspaper. Bonnett stated she has already been contacted by four individuals, but doesn't feel this position will be filled before January 1, 2015.

Eyes of Hope Shelter—Kris Steffens — Present

Steffens provided the Committee with the monthly reports for October and November 2014. Steffens discussed the reports. Steffens informed the committee that they have run out of the large food donation that was received last year and will soon be buying their own food. Steffens stated there are three new volunteers and they have been helpful in spreading the word with the animals that are up for adoption. Steffens continues to put information out on Facebook and run food drives to help with the food donations. Steffens will provide the end of year financial report at the meeting next month.

Family Court Commissioner – Dennis McFarlin – Not Present

The Family Court Commissioner was not scheduled to attend the meeting. Committee was provided with a written report for November 2014. There were no questions.

Child Support – Janet Leja – Not Present

The Child Support Office was not scheduled to attend the meeting. Committee was provided with a written report and financial report for November 2014. There were no questions.

Clerk of Circuit Court – Kathie Dye – Not Present

The Clerk of Circuit Court Office was not scheduled to attend the meeting. Committee was provided with the financial report for November 2014. There were no questions.

Register in Probate – Terry Reynolds – Not Present

The Register in Probate Office was not scheduled to attend the meeting. There was no monthly report to review at this time and there were no questions.

Emergency Management – Jane Gervais – Present

Committee was provided with the monthly financial report for November 2014. Gervais stated she is in the red on her copy machine budget line. There were no questions. Gervais informed the Committee that she applied for a Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness grant to hold an exercise for a hazardous material incident. Gervais stated she wanted to focus on crude oil for this exercise. The lease to store the mobile command trailer at the Village of Friendship expires at the end of December. Gervais requested that the Village of Friendship not increase the lease payment. The Village of Friendship agreed to keep the payment at \$1.50 per day and went to a two year lease instead of the one year lease. Gervais reported that Advanced Climbing repaired the side lights that were out on the highway communications tower. The aluminum part of the base was cracked and water was able to get in which caused the lights to blow. There was no charge for the service call as the repairs were covered under warranty.

Medical Examiner – Marilyn Rogers – Present

Committee was provided with a written report and financial report for November 2014. Rogers discussed her reports and there were no questions. Rogers stated her budget may be in the red due to the fifteen autopsies that were done so far this year. Rogers informed the committee that there was a rose donated by a donor family in honor of the Medical Examiner's Office in the 2015 Rose Bowl Parade. Rogers updated the committee on the recent resignation of one of the Deputy Medical Examiners and stated a replacement started training on December 1st. Rogers will present her 5-year plan at the next executive meeting.

Sheriff's Office – Chief Deputy Fahrenkrug – Present

Committee was provided with the monthly financial reports and animal control report for November 2014. Fahrenkrug stated the state trooper assigned to Adams County is working out well. The fourth firearm training is in the process of finishing up. The jail inspection report was received and it came back with no violations. Negotiations with WPPA Local 355 are still ongoing. Fahrenkrug informed the committee of the meetings that are being held with the lieutenants and jail captain to talk about their short term and long term goals. Fahrenkrug reminded the committee of the drug presentation at County Board in December.

Motion by Edwards to approve vouchers and monthly expense reports as presented, seconded by Eggebrecht. Motion carried by unanimous vote. Kotlowski – Excused.

Identify upcoming agenda items: None at this time.

Set next monthly meeting date as January 14, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.

Motion by Grabarski to adjourn, seconded by Edwards. Motion carried by unanimous vote. Kotlowski – Excused.
Meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

These minutes have been approved by Public Safety & Judiciary Committee on January 14, 2015.

Respectfully Submitted,



Robert Grabarski
Secretary