

MINUTES PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

DATE: Monday, August 14, 2023

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: Courthouse – Room 114

MEMBERS PRESENT: Joseph Zurfluh, William Voight, Brad Hamilton (via WebEx),
Dennis Polach, William Winch

OTHERS PRESENT: Trent Miner, County Clerk; See attached sign-in list

1. Chairman Zurfluh called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.
2. The minutes of the July 10, 2023 meetings were reviewed. Motion by Hamilton/Winch to accept them as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
3. The next meeting will be held on Monday, September 11th at 9:00 AM in Room 114.
4. There was no public comment.
5. The Communications Dept. presented their report and bill listing. Information concerning the length and terms of the Nekoosa Tower lease was requested by the committee.
6. The Emergency Management Dept. presented their report and bill listing.
7. The Dispatch Dept. presented their report and bill listing, highlighting their current staffing.
8. The Coroner presented their report and bill listing, highlighting current staff changes.
9. Sheriff Becker reviewed the following within his report.
 - a. Introduced Mitzi Forde as the new Office Manager, replacing Kelli Trzinski.
 - b. The Sheriff's Dept will have a booth at the Central Wisconsin State Fair next week.
 - c. A number of active shooter drills have been completed recently.
 - d. Work continues on a 1999 missing persons case with interviews recently held.
10. A resolution on Correction Officer pay was presented, reviewed, and discussed. It was noted that the state corrections officers received an \$11.00/hour raise in the state's budget, whereby necessitating this resolution. Motion by Voight/Polach to approve the resolution and forward onto the county board for their consideration. Motion carried 4-1. Winch voted no.

11. Motion by Voight/Hamilton to approve the voucher listings for Communications, Coroner, Dispatch, Emergency Management, and Sheriff's Department. Motion carried unanimously.
12. Agenda items for next meeting:
 - a. 2024 Department Budgets
13. Chairman Zurfluh declared the meeting adjourned at 9:36 AM

Minutes taken by Trent Miner, County Clerk, and are in draft form until approved at the next meeting.

**Public Safety Committee
August 14, 2023**

| NAME | REPRESENTING |
|-------------------|---------------------------------|
| Sarah Christensen | WCEM |
| DENNIS POLACH | WCB - 14 |
| Bill Clandening | WCB 15 |
| Jeff Perko | WCB # 11 |
| BILL VOIGHT | WCB - 7 |
| David Pottow | Coroner |
| Erik Engel | WC com |
| Tony Basten | Dispatch |
| Mitzel Forde | WC Sheriff |
| Susanna Wagner | WC Sheriff Jail |
| Shawn Becker | WCSA |
| Dwain Ems | WCSA |
| Charles Hougston | WCSA |
| TES ASHBECH | Wood County Sheriff Dept / JAIL |
| Lance Pliml | WebEx |
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