

**MINUTES**  
**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

**DATE:** Monday, January 12, 2026

**TIME:** 9:00 AM

**PLACE:** Courthouse – Conference Rm #302

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Joseph Zurfluh, Dennis Polach, Jeff Penzkover, William Voight, Brad Hamilton

**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 December 8, 2025, meeting were reviewed. Motion by Hamilton/Voight to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
3. There was no public comment.
4. The next meeting will be held on Monday, February 9, 2026, at 9:00 AM.
5. The Communications Department presented their report and bill listing for review.
6. The Emergency Management Department presented their report and bill listing for review.
7. The Dispatch Department presented their report and bill listing for review.
8. The Coroner presented their monthly report and bill listing for review.
9. Sheriff Becker reviewed various reports and activities of the Sheriff's Department. He highlighted the following:
  - Reviewed the front office changes in personnel and that Lt. Peterson leads that group.
  - A new therapy dog is in training for SRO Nehls for the Auburndale School district.
10. Becker presented a resolution amending the 2026 Sheriff Traffic budget for the use of carryover grant funds for seat belt enforcement. Motion by Hamilton/Polach to approve the resolution and forward onto the county board for their consideration. Motion carried unanimously.
11. Motion by Zurfluh/Hamilton to approve the voucher listings for Communications, Coroner, Dispatch, Emergency Management, and Sheriff's Department. Motion carried unanimously.
12. Motion by Zurfluh/Hamilton to go into closed session pursuant to Wis Stats 19.85(1)(c) to consider a leave of absence request for an employee. Motion carried unanimously.
13. Motion by Hamilton/Penzkover to move back into closed session. Motion carried unanimously.
14. Chairman Zurfluh declared the meeting adjourned 9:25 AM.

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

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