



**MINUTES OF THE LANGLADE COUNTY
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
TUESDAY, May 03, 2016**

Members Present: Dale Dahms, Richard Schuh, Arlene Bonacci, Larry Poltrock, Duff Leaver

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Bill Greening, Kim Bissonette, Larry Shadick, Becky McPhail, Brad Henricks, John Schunke, Robin Stowe, Sheila Rine, Sarah Lautzenhiser

Call meeting to order/Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Dahms called a meeting of the Langlade County Public Safety Committee to order on the above date at 7:57 a.m., the Pledge of Allegiance immediately followed.

Welcome new committee members

Richard Schuh and Duff Leaver were welcomed to the Public Safety Committee.

Approval of Minutes of the April 05, 2016 meeting

Moved by Bonacci, second by Poltrock to approve the minutes of the April 05, 2016 meeting. All ayes. **Motion carried.**

Elect Vice-Chairman and Secretary

Poltrock nominated Bonacci for Vice-Chairman. All ayes to elect Bonacci for Vice-Chairman. **Motion carried.**

Leaver nominated Schuh. Schuh nominated Leaver. All ayes for Leaver as Secretary. **Motion carried.**

Public comment on agenda items and consideration of requests for items to be added to future meeting agendas

None

Coroner Report

Larry Shadick presented the Coroner Report. The report was placed on file in the County Clerk's office with the minutes.

Moved by Bonacci, second by Schuh to approve the Coroner's Report. All ayes. **Motion carried.**

Child Support Report

Becky McPhail presented the Child Support report. The report was placed on file in the County Clerk's office with the minutes.

Moved by Poltrock, second by Leaver to approve the Child Support Report. All ayes. **Motion carried.**

Emergency Management Report

Brad Henricks presented the Emergency Management Report. The report was placed on file in the County Clerk's office with the minutes.

Moved by Bonacci, second by Schuh to approve the Emergency Management Report. All ayes. **Motion carried.**

Sarah Lautzenhiser Humane Officer Proposal

Sarah Lautzenhiser presented the committee with a proposal to assist law enforcement with animal neglect and abuse complaints. Lautzenhiser stated she would be flexible on compensation and this is a passion and something important to her and needs to be done. Robin Stowe passed around the last contract for review and stated that the previous contract did not work out. After lengthy discussion it was decided that Lautzenhiser meet with the city and come up with a cost proposal and bring it back to the committee. The Humane Officer Proposal was placed on file in the County Clerk's office with the minutes.

Car Report

Sheriff Greening presented the car report. The report was placed on file in the County Clerk's office with the minutes.

Moved by Schuh, second by Poltrock to approve the Car Report. All ayes. **Motion carried.**

Sheriff/Jail Office/Nurse Report

Sheriff Greening presented the Sheriff/Jail Office/Nurse Report. The report was placed on file in the County Clerk's office with the minutes.

Sheriff Greening informed committee members that the Jail Nurse has resigned. CHC is in the process of hiring a new one.

Sheriff Greening informed the committee that the mental health contractor has been visiting four (4) hours per week on Fridays from 7a-11a. Feedback from inmates is that it's a real benefit to have this service provided. CHC will be discussing their role with the mental health services at the June committee meeting. In addition Chief Deputy John Schunke applied for a grant through Aspirus Langlade Hospital to fund the mental health services cost. Aspirus Langlade Hospital agreed to grant \$15,000 for these services. Sheriff Greening stated he is very thankful to the Hospital board.

Sheriff Greening also discussed the school shooting and stated that Andy Hopfensberger's actions definitely saved a lot of lives, it was justifiable and this officer is a hero.

Moved by Bonacci, second by Leaver to approve the Sheriff/Jail Office/Nurse Report. All ayes. **Motion carried.**

Discuss starting salary for Jail Administrator position

Sheriff Greening stated that current dispatcher Don Bergbower has been hired for the Jail Administrator position. After lengthy discussion everyone agreed that he be placed at the appropriate step on the salary matrix. With Don's regular and overtime wages he would be taking a \$3,000 loss at step 5, but he's okay with that based on the fact that he

will be on a learning curve. Committee members don't want to see him take a cut in pay and would like to take a look at this again within a year.

Moved by Poltrock, second by Leaver that the committee have the ability to evaluate and compensate Don at the end of his probationary period. All ayes.

Motion carried.

Discuss credit card for Jail Administrator

Moved by Poltrock, second by Bonacci to authorize a credit card for the Jail Administrator in the same amount as the previous Jail Administrator. All ayes.

Motion carried.

Discuss weekend and evening meeting being held by a group in the County Board Room

Sheriff Greening stated that he does not have any issues or concerns with the group and sees no problem for them to continue to meet in the County Board Room.

Discuss full-time Court Security Officer position

Sheriff Greening stated that one part-time deputy is ready to fully retire and the others have no interest in court security on a regular basis. There will not be enough part-time and no available full time deputies. Courthouse security is extremely important and needs to be looked at seriously, funding will be an issue. When court is not in session there would still be a need for courthouse officer presence. When the courthouse is closed this deputy can be utilized out on the road since the Sheriff's Office has always been short handed. After discussion the committee agreed that a full-time deputy makes sense.

Moved by Bonacci, second by Schuh to hire a full-time Deputy the same as regular deputies. All ayes. **Motion carried.**

Larry Poltrock was excused at 9:49 a.m. to attend other affairs.

Review and rank Capital Improvement Program items for 2017 for Sheriff's Office

Committee members reviewed and ranked patrol vehicle replacement (\$85,000) and mobile data terminal (\$16,000) projects for 2017. Both were ranked 6-urgent.

Next Meeting Date

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, June 07, 2016 at 8:00 a.m.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Leaver, second by Schuh to adjourn the meeting at 9:56 a.m. All ayes. **Motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted, Kim Bissonette, Public Safety Committee Recording Secretary