Public Safety Minutes
January 9, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Chairman Kersten Rocksvold. Committee members Greg Russell, Don Stirling, Brad Steiner and Carl Orr were present. Also in attendance were Sheriff Dale McCullick, Coroner Joe Morovits, Emergency Management Director Jim Hackett, 911 Coordinator Julie Cipra and Administrative Assistant Joyce Fritsche-Roberts. Michelle Breuer, RN and Lt. Russ Wittrig joined the meeting.

The meeting was verified as having been properly posted. Next meeting is February 13, 2018.

Motion by Russell, second by Steiner to approve the minutes of the December meeting. The motion carried with no negative votes cast.

Coroner: Motion by Stirling, second by Steiner to approve the Coroner’s bills. The motion carried with no negative votes cast

911 Coordinator: Baycom is finalizing the IFERN, WISCOM, EMS Simulcast and back-up radio projects in January and February. This was budgeted for in the three-year capital project account.

Received quotes from CenturyLink and ECW for the new 911 system and will be reviewing those.

The Corp of Engineer has a tower in Seneca that Crawford County may be able to acquire. A radio tower company is evaluating the tower and site. The Corp is planning to auction the tower in the spring.

The owner of land at the Rolling Ground tower site has contacted me in reference to being paid for land lease. The tower is owned and leased by WI DNR. DNR has offered to transfer the tower and lease to Crawford County. Currently in discussion on this project.

Motion by Steiner, second by Stirling to approve the 911 bills. The motion carried with no negative votes cast.

Emergency Management: Multi-hazard mitigation grant was partially paid to Crawford County. The plan is almost complete. The FEMA grant for IFERN Radio was extended into 2018.

The drone was purchased.

Warming centers were opened around the county. They will remain open as needed. There are 3 centers in Prairie du Chien and 1 at the Gays Mills library. If there is overflow, people would go to the Prairie du Chien High School, St. Peters Lutheran Church, Blackhawk Apartments.

Motion by Steiner, second by Russell to approve the Emergency Management bills. The motion carried with no negative votes cast.

Sheriff: Lt. Wittrig spoke about the jail inspection. Inmate medical was the largest infraction. Advanced Correctional Healthcare team members are working in the jail.

From 2014 to 2017, there has been an increase of 46.5% inmates booked into the jail. This increase contributed to the Board of Prisoner budget having a short fall.

General Communication, Sgts, and Access have provided quotes for the camera system. More information is being collected before a decision can be made.
Motion by Russell, second by Steiner to approve the Sheriff's' bills and bank statements. The motion carried with no negative votes cast.

Adjournment: Motion by Russell, second by Orr to adjourn. The motion carried with no negative votes cast and the meeting was adjourned at 10:24 a.m.

Joyce Fritsche-Roberts, Administrative Assistant