

Public Safety Minutes October 12, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Chairman Gari Lorenz. Greg Russell, Don Stirling were present. Members attending by ZOOM was Brad Steiner and Sonya Lenzendorf. Members attending in person was Coroner Joe Morovits, Sheriff Dale McCullick, Emergency Management Jim Hackett and Administrative Assistant Joyce Fritsche-Roberts. Absent was committee member Carl Orr and 911 Coordinator Julie Cipra. John Poots, maintenance, entered the meeting at 9:45 a.m.

The meeting was verified as having been posted. Next meeting is November 9 at 8:30 am for signing of bills and 9:00 am for start of meeting. Meeting time changed due to County Board meeting.

Motion by Russell second by Stirling to approve the minutes of the September meeting. The motion carried with no negative votes cast.

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

911 Coordinator: No report.

Emergency Management: In the past month, 2 exercises were done. A full scale exercise which incorporated ALICE Training and active shooter response and a tabletop involving a chemical spill and fire at Cabela's.

An award letter was received for \$50,000 to

- Upgrade portable radios for every officer
- Purchase thermal vision for the drone
- Purchase a new vehicle

COVID meetings are held every Wednesday at 10:00 AM by Zoom.

National Guard is assisting with increased testing sites in the county.

The third dose of COVID vaccine is being offered by the Public Health Office. Wisconsin Emergency Management has moved into recovery phase and Wisconsin Public Health has taken lead on response phase. Motion by Lorenz, second by Russell to approve the bills. The motions carried with no negative votes cast.

Public Health: COVID cases remain high in the county. The office is currently 2 full time employees short. Emergency Management and National Guard are helping.

Sheriff: The Baptist Church in Prairie du Chien recognized Law Enforcement at a church service and provided a dinner. The church donated \$700 to the department.

Multiple Ventures donated \$1,000 to the Sheriff's Office.

Deputy Tony Berg received a \$15,050 grant from the Upper Mississippi Gaming Corporation. The grant will be used for a K9 and equipment.

Lori Hines, jail nurse, obtained free Narcan for the jail and law enforcement staff.

The jail inspection was discussed. John Poots was directed to speak with Public Property to start long range planning for a new jail.

An air quality test will be done in the jail.

Hours will be increased from 25 to 28 for Administrative Clerk, Corrie Valley.

Motion by Stirling second by Russell to approve the Sheriff's' bills and bank statements. The motions carried with no negative votes cast.

Adjournment: Motion by Lorenz, second by Russell to adjourn. The motion carried with no negative votes cast and the meeting adjourned at 10:04 am.

Joyce Fritsche-Roberts
Administrative Assistant