

Public Safety Minutes
July 13, 2021

The meeting was called to order using ZOOM at 9:30 a.m. by Chairman Gari Lorenz. Greg Russell, Brad Steiner and Don Stirling were present. Members attending by ZOOM was Carl Orr. Members attending in person was Emergency Management Jim Hackett, Coroner Joe Morovits, Sheriff Dale McCullick, 911 Coordinator Julie Cipra, Cindy Riniker, RN and Administrative Assistant Joyce Fritsche-Roberts.

The meeting was verified as having been posted. Next meeting is August 10 at 9:00 am for signing of bills and 9:30 am for start of meeting.

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

Coroner: The coroner's conference is planned for February, 2022.

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

911 Coordinator: We lost radio communications for a couple hours in June due to a power brown out at the PDC tower site. It blew circuits and the UPS unit had to be replaced but our radio equipment is ok.

Advertised for a hiring pool of full and part time dispatchers. In the past, people had to come into the Admin building one by one to take the 1 ½ hour dispatching skills test which was very time consuming.

We upgraded to the remote testing module so we can have as many test as we want in a short period of time. We need to train on the new system and test it ourselves before scheduling testing appointments.

There is still a lot of work to be done in preparation for implementing the new Vesta Map system that we received funding for in phase II of the NG911 grant. Continuing to work on that and waiting for final install dates from Motorola.

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

Emergency Management: The \$150,000 LE grant for upgrades will purchase new technology upgrades for squad cars, the sheriff's office, and staff work areas.

FEMA is not providing assistance for the storm in July due to the state not believing it met thresholds. The Wisconsin Disaster Fund is being applied for because there was \$300,000 public infrastructure damage.

Private road damage due to flooding. There was no access. Worked with county highway and the village for a temporary fix to the road. Discussion on a possible future ordinance on private driveway owners required to make it accessible for emergency services.

Subcommittee for Covid funds is Jim, Tom Cornford, Deanne Lutz, Robin Fisher and Dan McWilliams. This committee reviews the applications and takes their recommendation to Finance for approval if it qualifies by guidelines

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

Public Health: Cindy reported COVID cases are low. There is no Delta variant here. Working to increase percentage of vaccinations in county. Lyme disease is on the increase.

Sheriff: Dale reported the number of inmates in jail and on Electronic Monitoring.

Jose Miranda was hired as late shift jailer.

Administrative Clerk, Corrie Valley is on medical leave for an undetermined time.

Applications are being reviewed for the female open position in jail. The position should be filled the first week of August.

The state requires air packs in the jail. Current fire chief, Tad Beutin, offered a MOU to replace the units yearly and do the training for using them. The cost is \$750 for the remaining 6 months of 2021 and a yearly charge of \$1,500 starting 1/01/2022 and thereafter. Motion by Russell, second by Steiner to take to Finance.

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

Adjournment: Motion by Russell, second by Steiner to adjourn. The motion carried with no negative votes cast and the meeting adjourned at 10:05 am.

Joyce Fritsche-Roberts
Administrative Assistant