

## **Public Safety Minutes July 12, 2022**

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

The meeting was verified as having been posted. Next meeting is August 9, 2022, at 9:00 am for signing of bills and 9:30 am for start of meeting

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

**Coroner:** Working with other coroners to set up speakers for the October coroner's conference.

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

**911 Coordinator:** Both a full time and part time dispatcher were hired this past month. Full time dispatcher started on July 11 and will train on days initially and then switch to training on nights. Part time dispatcher will begin training by the end of July.

Discussion was held at Finance regarding the need for an additional communications tower in the northwest corner of the county along with the Highway Dept upgrading to Simulcast. ARPA funds are not available for the upgrades so Finance is considering borrowing to fund the potential improvements.

Jim and Julie will be at Public Property to discuss.

Another NG11 grant will be coming out the end of July and Julie asked Public Safety for permission to apply which was granted. In order to apply for the grant there is a requirement that ONE PSAP (Public Safety Answering Point) be designated as the primary PSAP in the County by County Board Resolution. Even though we are the only PSAP we are still required to do it. The State supplied us with a sample resolution and Julie had Corp Counsel review and approve it. Permission given to take it to County Board on August 16.

The lift legs are not working correctly on the console at Dispatch 1 and will require complete replacement of the electronics, lifting legs and control boxes. The cost of the repairs will be \$7,500 – a new console is \$20,000 to \$25,000. Will wait until 2023 budget cycle to repair it.

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

**Emergency Management:** No report

**Public Health:** The department is no longer doing daily COVID counts due to home test.

Currently following up on 1 environmental and 3 animal bite issues.

The two latest employees hired have completed their training for emergency response.

The Driftless Region Vector Control employee is working in Crawford County checking sites for mosquito hatching.

**Sheriff:** Nathan White, jail inspector, will come to the County Board meeting in August.

John Holley was hired full time after his completion of the jail academy.

A new squad car was purchased from Fillbach's.

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

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

Joyce Fritsche-Roberts  
Administrative Assistant