

## Public Safety Minutes September 8, 2020

The meeting was called to order using ZOOM at 9:33 a.m. by Chairman Gari Lorenz. Members attending by ZOOM is Brad Steiner, Coroner Joe Morovits. 911 Coordinator Julie Cipra, Cindy Riniker, RN. Members attending in person are Sheriff Dale McCullick, Emergency Management Jim Hackett, Greg Russell, Don Stirling and Administrative Assistant Joyce Fritsche-Roberts. Missing from the meeting was Carl Orr.

The meeting was verified as having been properly posted. Next meeting is October 13, 2020.

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

**Coroner:** Coroner's bills were presented. The budget was discussed. Autopsy cost will be increasing. Motion by Russell, second by Steiner to forward the 2021 preliminary budget to finance and motion by Russell, second by Stirling to approve the Coroner's bills. The motions carried with no negative votes cast.

**911 Coordinator:** 911 bills were presented.

911 Office expense budget was reduced from \$6,250 to \$5,650. Fire sign costs and revenue remained the same for now but we will be increasing the cost of the sign and post.

Communication Center budget expenses increased by \$7,077 from 2020. This was due to the new NG911 system annual maintenance costs of \$11,055 per year that will start in December, 2021 and higher radio maintenance costs. Reductions were made in other budget categories which offset some of the increase. Decision made to have vendors pro-rate the est \$900 in 911 maintenance due in Dec, 2021 and then start our annual maintenance billing cycle in January, 2022. This will reduce our maintenance contract budget in 2021 by \$10,000 resulting in a \$3,000 expense budget reduction from this year.

Motion by Russell, second by Stirling to forward the 2021 preliminary budget to finance and motion by Russell, second by Lorenz to approve the 911 bills. The motions carried with no negative votes cast.

**Emergency Management:** Jim presented bills.

Routes to Recovery, townships can gift money back to the County if they don't need it. That money can be put toward salaries of Directors whose office has been directly involved with COVID. The Roads to Recovery revenues will help offset the additional cost associated with COVID. If their department is not over budget, the money goes directly to the general fund.

Motion by Russell, second by Stirling to forward the 2021 preliminary budget to finance and to approve the Emergency Management bills. The motions carried with no negative votes cast.

**Public Health:** Public Health will do COVID testing at the Administration Building 2 days/week by appointment only. Flu shots in schools will begin this month with the goal of being finished by the end of October. Schools will be visited twice because of the teaching schedules that are in place. Public Health has hired two part time RN's to help with flu shots and COVID testing.

When the COVID vaccine is approved, it will be a 2-dose series, 3 months apart. The National Guard has been extended through December. COVID testing dates are coordinated with Vernon and Grant Counties so no community testing will be on the same day.

Crawford County Health & Human Services will be hiring a sanitarian. Currently Dan McWilliams is acting sanitarian.

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**Sheriff:** Sheriff increased the New Vehicle budget. He explained why the 2020 revenue is down. Dale will go to Finance to explain.

Motion by Russell, second by Stirling to forward the 2021 preliminary budget to finance and to approve the Sheriff's' bills and bank statements. The motions carried with no negative votes cast.

**Adjournment:** Motion by Russell, second by Stirling to adjourn. The motion carried with no negative votes cast and the meeting adjourned at 11:14 a.m.

Joyce Fritsche-Roberts  
Administrative Assistant