Minutes of the Wood County Public Safety Committee

DATE: October 14, 2019

PRESENT: Dennis Polach, Joe Zurfluh, Mike Feirer, Bill Winch
EXCUSED:
NOT PRESENT:
OTHERS PRESENT:
Steve Kreuser, Scott Brehm, Ted Ashbeck, Randy Dorshorst, Nanci Olson, Shawn Becker, Lori Heideman, Kelli Trzinski, Quentin Ellis, Ruben VanTassel

LOCATION: Wood County Courthouse

1. Call to Order:

   Dennis Polach called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. Review minutes of September 9 & 16, 2019:

   Motion by Feirer, second by Zurfluh to approve the minutes of the September 9 & 16, 2019 meetings as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Public Comments:

   No Public Comments.

4. Set date, time and location of next meeting:

   November 11, 2019
   9:00 a.m.
   Wood County Annex Marshfield

5. Communications Department:

   a. Communications September 2019 Claims:

      The Committee reviewed the Communications September 2019 claims.

   b. Communications Report:

      The Committee reviewed the Communications report.

Bill asked about charging the City of Marshfield rent for the tower site. Steve explained that he believes we charge them what they are currently charging us for our space on top of City Hall, so that it’s a wash.
6. **Emergency Management Department**

   a. **Emergency Management September 2019 Claims:**

   The Committee reviewed the Emergency Management September 2019 claims. Answered questions about credit card charges and that there were for training and shop supplies.

   b. **Emergency Management Activity Report:**

   The committee reviewed the Emergency Management report. Answered questions regarding spills at Nine Dragons. Also explained that we were cutting wood at Powers Bluff. The wood delivered to Grand Rapids was from our work relief revenues.

7. **Dispatch Department:**

   a. **September 2019 Claims:**

   The Committee reviewed the Dispatch September 2019 Claims. Answered questions regarding credit card charges and that they were for a DOJ conference and training.

   b. **Dispatch Report:**

   The Committee reviewed the Dispatch report. Answered questions about HR and sick time. Answered questions on CIB audits.

   c. **Phones:**

   Lori answered questions about a phone outage. It was internal equipment issues so they did not work with any outside providers.

8. **Coroner:**

   a. **Coroner Report:**

   The Committee reviewed the Coroner report.

   b. **September 2019 Claims:**

   The Committee reviewed the Coroner September 2019 claims.

9. **Humane Officer**

   a. **Humane Officer Report:**

   The Committee reviewed the Humane Officer Report
10. Sheriff’s Department:

a. Correspondences:

Sheriff Becker told the Committee that he attended Crisis Intervention Team Training (CIT) last week at Mid-State Technical College along with Chief Deputy Dorshorst, Lt. Eric Marten, Deputy Derek Phillippi and Deputy Christopher Stauner.

b. Wood County Rescue:

The Committee reviewed the Wood County Rescue report.

c. Crime Stoppers:

The Committee reviewed the Crime Stoppers report.

d. K-9 Project:

The Committee reviewed the K-9 report.

e. September 2019 Claims:

The Committee reviewed the Sheriff’s Department’s September 2019 claims.

f. Increase to Civil Process Fees:

Chief Deputy Dorshorst explained to the Committee that the Sheriff’s Department would like to raise its civil process fees from $65.00 to $75.00 to be comparable to surrounding counties. The Committee agreed this would be desirable and a resolution will be presented at the next meeting.

g. Hiring Process:

Sheriff Becker discussed the Department’s current staffing level. He stated the Department would be starting a new Deputy Sheriff Eligibility list with the Civil Service Commission. Sheriff Becker stated the Department hired two new deputies in October, Cory Valiquette and Christopher Stauner. He also stated Deputy Jazdzewski should be completing field training at the end of this month.

h. Promotions:

Sheriff Becker announced the promotion of three new Patrol Sergeants, Deputy Adam Berry, Deputy Cory Leigh and Deputy Nathan Dean. He also welcomed Inv. Sgt. Bren Derringer to the investigation team.

i. Boat/ATV Patrol:

The Committee reviewed the Boat Patrol/ATV Patrol report.
j. Overtime:

The Committee reviewed the overtime report. Sheriff Becker stated the 2018 Jail overtime numbers would be removed from the packet as they were not accurate.

k. Courthouse Security:

Sheriff Becker told the Committee that 52 knives, three cans of pepper spray, and three guns with carried concealed permits were prevented from entering the courthouse during the first week of the new security protocol.

l. Jail Items

i. Inmate Daily Population-Reviewed
ii. EMP - Reviewed
iii. Safekeeper Housing Numbers – Supervisor Winch questioned the costs provided to house inmates within our facility versus out-of-county. He said he did not believe the costs. Sheriff Becker explained the costs and said he would provide an exact breakdown as the Department did in January of this year.
iv. Kitchen Report - Reviewed
v. Maintenance - Nothing new to report at this time.
vi. Inmate Programs - Sheriff Becker stated they are going ahead with Three Bridges and Smart Recovery. He also stated Mid-State Technical College has approached the jail about GED and/or trade/college credits.
vii. New Jail Study - Sheriff Becker stated they have a short meeting with Adventure Architect on October 17, 2019 to go over the materials that were given to them thus far.

11. September 2019 Claims: Communications, Emergency Management, Dispatch, Sheriff, Coroner, and Humane Officer:

Motion by Feirer, second by Winch to approve the September 2019 claims of all Public Safety Committee Departments. Motion carried unanimously.

12. Agenda Items for Next Meeting:

Evaluations

13. Adjourn

Motion by Feirer, second by Winch to adjourn the meeting at 10:29 a.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes taken by Wood County Emergency Management Department and the Wood County Sheriff’s Department