

Minutes of the Wood County Public Safety Committee

DATE: October 14, 2013

PRESENT: Mike Feirer, Dennis Polach, William Murphy, Bill Winch, Gary Allworden

OTHERS Steve Kreuser, Brenda Nelson, Erik Engel, Tom Reichert, Randy Dorshorst,

PRESENT: Nanci Kinney, Laura Clark, Jerry Miner, Lori Heideman, Lance Pliml

LOCATION: Wood County Courthouse

1. Call to Order:

Mike Feirer called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

2. Review minutes of September 9, 2013:

Motion by Murphy, second by Allworden to approve the minutes of the September 9, 2013 meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Public Comments:

Jerry Minor thanked the committee for allowing the Wood County Fire Chiefs Association to be a part of the process in finding a new Dispatch Manager.

4. Emergency Management Department:

a. Communications September 2013 Claims

The Committee reviewed the Communications September 2013 claims.

b. Communications Report

The Committee reviewed the Communications report. Steve informed the Committee that all of the squad installs Erik had been working on for the Sheriff's Department are done. Steve also discussed possible on call pay for Erik Engel for after hours and weekends.

c. Update on Communication Tower Projects

Steve indicated we still have not heard back from the FAA regarding the height authorization for the Town of Lincoln tower due to the federal government shutdown so the project is not able to move forward. This could delay tower construction until Spring of 2014. Steve is working with the property owner adjacent to the tower site to secure a variance agreement, and Erik has been contacting vendors to begin gathering pricing, etc.

d. Emergency Management September 2013 Claims

The Committee reviewed the Emergency Management September 2013 claims.

e. Emergency Management Activity Report

The Committee reviewed the Emergency Management activity report. Steve discussed concerns regarding the color of address signs being proposed in the Town of Grand Rapids with the fire chief. He also informed the Committee that Emergency Management participated in two exercises in September, one being with Marshfield and the other with Wisconsin Rapids and Riverview Hospital.

5. Dispatch Department:

a. Dispatch September 2013 Claims

The Committee reviewed the Dispatch September 2013 claims.

Committee reviewed and discussed the Dispatch report.

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

November 11, 2013

1:00 PM

Marshfield City Hall

1st Floor Conference Room 108

Marshfield WI

7. Humane Officer:

a. Humane Officer Report

The Committee reviewed the September Humane Officer report. Humane Officer Kinney stated she received a veterinarian bill from the South Wood County Humane Society, which they received from Central Wisconsin Animal Emergency Center. This bill is for the two dogs that were shot by a Wood County Deputy after they bit him. One dog was euthanized and the other was treated and released.

Motion by Murphy, second by Allworden to pay the Central Wisconsin Animal Emergency Center bill and seek restitution. Motion carried unanimously.

b. September 2013 Claims

The Committee reviewed the Humane Officer September 2013 claims.

8. Coroner:

a. Coroner Report

The Committee reviewed the Coroner report.

b. September 2013 Claims

The Committee reviewed the Coroner September 2013 claims.

9. Sheriff's Department:

a. Correspondence:

Sheriff Reichert updated the committee on an employee termination appeal.

Sheriff Reichert stated he has started doing his township/village/city listening sessions and they will be continuing for the next few months.

Chief Deputy Dorshorst explained Deputy Bren Derringer won a "shooting" contest put on by Wisconsin Mutual Insurance – Alert System. With him winning the contest, the department will receive \$7,500 and Deputy Derringer will receive a \$1,000 gift card.

b. Updates:

Crimestoppers: None

Safe Ride Initiative: None

Criminal Justice Task Force: None

K9: Sheriff Reichert stated the solicitation for the 2014 Magic Show has started.

c. Jail Items: All jail reports were reviewed.

10. September 2013 Claims: Dispatch, Communications, Emergency Management, and Sheriff:

Motion by Allworden, second by Murphy to approve the September 2013 claims of all the Public Safety Committee Departments. Motion carried unanimously.

Break taken at 2:00 p.m.

11. Closed Session:

Motion by Winch, second by Murphy to go into closed session at 2:04 p.m. pursuant to §19.85(1)(c) to interview candidates for the Dispatch Manager position. Roll call vote taken. Feirer – yes, Winch – yes, Murphy – yes, Allworden – yes, Polach – yes.

Motion by Murphy, second by Allworden to return to open session at 3:49 p.m. Roll call vote taken. Feirer, yes, Winch – yes, Murphy – yes, Allworden – yes, Polach – yes.

Motion by Murphy, second by Allworden to make an offer to a candidate. Motion carried unanimously.

12. Adjourn:

Motion by Winch, second by Murphy to adjourn at 4:00 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes taken by Wood County Emergency Management & Wood County Sheriff's Department.

Signed Electronically by William Winch

William Winch, Secretary
Public Safety Committee