

## **Minutes of the Wood County Public Safety Committee**

**DATE:** March 9, 2015

**PRESENT:** Dennis Polach, Mike Feirer, Brad Hamilton, Bill Winch, Joe Zurfluh

### **OTHERS**

**PRESENT:** Randy Dorshorst, Lori Heideman, Steve Kreuser, Laura Clark, Bill Clendenning

**LOCATION:** Wood County Courthouse – Room 115

### **1. Call to Order:**

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

### **2. Review minutes of February 16, 2015:**

**Motion by Hamilton, second by Winch to approve the minutes of the February 16, 2015, with the correction that Bill Winch's name not be included as present at that meeting. He was listed as excused, which is correct. Motion carried unanimously.**

### **3. Public Comments:**

No public comments

### **4. Emergency Management Department:**

#### **a. Communications February 2015 Claims**

The Committee reviewed the Communications February 2015 claims.

#### **b. Communications Report**

The Committee reviewed the Communications report.

#### **c. Update on Communication Tower Projects**

Steve informed the Committee that the two towers are in place. The equipment should be arriving and it's slated for an April/May installation. Steve discussed with the Committee the issue of batteries at the tower sites. He stated some of the sites are due to be replaced, with a cost of \$8,000 to \$10,000 per site, with two (2) sites needed updates for 2016. Batteries are needed if there is a power failure. The batteries would be used before the generator kicks in. Steve stated they are a specialized battery. He would like to see some of the money from the revenue side (tower rent) go into a carryover account. This account would be used for maintenance of the towers rather than going to contingency for money every time we have or need to fix equipment on the tower.

**d. Emergency Management February 2015 Claims**

The Committee reviewed the Emergency Management February 2015 claims.

**e. Emergency Management Activity Report**

The Committee reviewed the Emergency Management Activity Report.

**5. Dispatch Department:**

**a. Dispatch February 2015 Claims**

The Committee reviewed the Dispatch February 2015 claims.

**b. Dispatch Report**

Lori stated her department is doing an 80 hour internship with Mid-State Technical College. She also is looking at how to get the 24-hour mandated training done for her dispatchers.

911 issues were discussed. Supervisor Clendenning stated he would work on getting a resolution created regarding the 911 issue through his Judicial & Legislative Committee to be co-sponsored by the Public Safety Committee. It was stated Jackson County has a resolution done on this.

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

**April 13, 2015**

**1:00 p.m.**

**Town of Lincoln**

**7. Humane Officer:**

**a. Humane Officer Report**

The Committee reviewed the Humane Officer report.

**b. February 2015 Claims**

The Committee reviewed the Humane Officer February 2015 claims.

**8. Coroner:**

**a. Coroner Report**

The Committee reviewed the Coroner report.

**b. February 2015 Claims**

The Committee reviewed the Coroner February 2015 claims.

**9. Sheriff's Department:**

Sheriff Reichert attended via telephone.

**a. Correspondence: None**

**b. Highway Traffic Safety Concerns:**

Discussion was again held regarding the safety concerns of none-licensed vehicles on the roadway. State Representatives are willing to help; however it was stated a resolution has to be started at the County level and passed on to the Counties Association as well as State Representatives.

**c. February 2015 Claims:**

The Committee reviewed the Sheriff Department February 2015 claims.

**d. Reorganization Update:**

Sheriff Reichert gave the committee an update on the progress of the Department reorganization.

**e. Updates**

**Crimestoppers:** None

**Safe Ride Initiative:** None

**Criminal Justice Task Force:** None

**K9:** None.

**f. Jail Items:**

All jail reports were reviewed.

**10. February 2015 Claims: Dispatch, Communications, Emergency Management, and Sheriff:**

**Motion by Hamilton, second by Winch to approve the February 2015 claims of all the Public Safety Committee Departments. Motion carried unanimously.**

**11. Agenda items for next meeting:**

Highway Traffic Safety Concerns  
Reorganization Update

**12. Adjourn:**

**Motion by Hamilton, second by Winch to adjourn at 2:06 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.**

Minutes taken by the Wood County Sheriff's Department.

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William Winch, Secretary  
Public Safety Committee