

Minutes of the Wood County Public Safety Committee

DATE: April 3, 2012

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

EXCUSED: Jeff Conradt

OTHERS PRESENT: Steve Kreuser, Kelly Zenz, Randy Dorshorst, Nanci Kinney, Laura Clark, Sarah Christensen, Charles Evans, Tom Reichert, Lance Pliml, Thomas Binder

LOCATION: Marshfield City Hall

1. Call to Order:

Gary Allworden called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

2. Review minutes of March 14, 2012:

Motion by Fierer, second by Winch to approve the minutes of the March 14, 2012 meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Public Comments:

Thomas Binder requests that he be put on the agenda for May to make a request after more research.

4. Emergency Management Department:

a. Communications March 2012 Claims

The Committee reviewed the Communications March 2012 claims.

b. Communications Report

The Committee reviewed the Communications report.

c. Update on Communications Towers/Narrowband Project

Steve Kreuser stated that the tower projects (Sherry & Dexter) are on schedule and should be completed in early Summer. Power is being run to the Dexter tower and more equipment keeps coming in. Erik completed the Tate training in Wausau.

d. Emergency Management March 2012 Claims

The Committee reviewed the Emergency Management March 2012 claims.

e. Emergency Management Activity Report

Activity report was reviewed.

5. Dispatch Department:

a. Dispatch March 2012 Claims

The Committee reviewed the Dispatch March 2012 claims.

b. Dispatch Report

Kelly Zenz reported that testing has been held and that 17 people will be invited back for interviews. They will then be invited to sit with a dispatcher and observe the operation. Cindy Agacki has been chosen as the dispatcher of the year for Wisconsin for her handling of a suicidal call that came to our dispatch center from the Green Bay area. April is also 911 education month and outreach is ongoing.

6. Humane Officer:

a. Humane Officer Report

The Committee reviewed the Humane Officer report.

b. March 2012 Claims

The Committee reviewed the Humane Officer March 2012 claims.

7. Coroner:

a. Coroner Report

The Committee reviewed the Coroner report.

b. Raise Cremation Fees

At the March meeting Coroner Kronstedt brought up the fact he has not made budget the past few years and would like to generate more revenue by increasing the cremation fee from \$65 to \$85. After much discussion it was decided the fees should be increased to help offset the budget.

**Motion by Feirer, second by Poloch to raise the cremation fee from \$65 to \$85.
Motion carried unanimously.**

b. March 2012 Claims

The Committee reviewed the Coroner March 2012 claims.

8. Sheriff's Department:

a. Correspondence: No correspondence received.

b. Updates:

Crimestoppers: None

Safe Ride Initiative: None

Criminal Justice Task Force: None

K9 Project: The Magic Show was well attended. Revenues from the shows more than paid for the new dog and its training.

c. Jail Items:

All jail reports were reviewed.

The Electronic Monitoring Program (EMP) had a savings of \$52,457.70 for the month of March.

9. March 2012 Claims: Dispatch, Communications, Emergency Management, and Sheriff:

Motion by Feirer, second by Polach to approve the March 2012 claims of all the Public Safety Committee departments. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Agenda Items for next meeting: Nothing at this time.

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

Public Safety Committee

Tuesday, April 17, 2012

9:15 a.m.

Wood County Courthouse – Room 317A

**Wednesday, May 9, 2012
1:30 p.m.
Pittsville Fire Department
Pittsville, WI**

12. Adjourn:

Motion by Winch, second by Feirer to adjourn at 2:31 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

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

William Winch, Secretary
Public Safety Committee