

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

**DATE:** December 9, 2013

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

**OTHERS** Steve Kreuser, Sarah Christensen, Tom Reichert, Randy Dorshorst, Laura Clark,  
**PRESENT:** Lori Heideman, Erik Engel, Gary Kronstedt, James Bushmaker, Richard Witt,  
Karlyn Witt

**LOCATION:** Rudolph Town Hall

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

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

### **2. Review minutes of November 11, 2013:**

**Motion by Allworden, second by Winch to approve the minutes of the November 11, 2013 meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.**

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

No public comments

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

#### **a. Communications November 2013 Claims**

The Committee reviewed the Communications November 2013 claims.

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

The Committee reviewed the Communications report. Erik reported that the Executive Committee approved his on call pay request. Erik thanked the committee for their support.

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

Steve informed the committee that he has received signed letters from the Town of Lincoln residents that will have the tower on/around their property giving the ok to go ahead with the project. Discussed resubmitting information for the Marshfield tower to make sure that the height variance is correct. Discussed agreement in the works with Oneida County for their tower guy and Erik to have a mutual aid agreement in the event that one or the other is on vacation or out of the office and the other will provide support if there is a problem.

**d. Emergency Management November 2013 Claims**

The Committee reviewed the Emergency Management November 2013 claims.

**e. Emergency Management Activity Report**

The Committee reviewed the Emergency Management activity report.

**5. Dispatch Department:**

**a. Dispatch November 2013 Claims**

The Committee reviewed the Dispatch November 2013 claims.

Lori stated that a new hire began today. When he is trained they will be up to full staff for the first time in quite some time. Talked about cross training people for different job functions. Talked about the child support agreement that will bill child support for the time that Dispatch spends on child support warrants. Discussed shift leads and that they should be considered for the future. Mike Fierer requests further information on the shift lead. Why it was disbanded, what the extra cost would be, what the duties would be, etc. Lori also discussed the recertification process, problems encountered and that she is on the right track to get things moving again.

**Motion by Murphy, second by Allworden to approve the signing of the contract with Child Support for reimbursement of warrant expenses by Director Heideman. Motion carried unanimously.**

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

**January 15, 2014  
1:00 pm  
Wood County Courthouse  
400 Market St  
Wisconsin Rapids WI 54494**

**7. Humane Officer:**

**a. Humane Officer Report**

The Committee reviewed the November Humane Officer report.

**b. November 2013 Claims**

The Committee reviewed the Humane Officer November 2013 claims.

## **8. Coroner:**

### **a. Coroner Report**

The Committee reviewed the Coroner report. Coroner Kronstedt stated there has been quite a few suicides recently, having five at the end of November. He stated autopsies are up as well.

### **b. November 2013 Claims**

The Committee reviewed the Coroner November 2013 claims.

## **9. Sheriff's Department:**

### **a. Correspondence:**

Sheriff Reichert thanked the Town of Rudolph for their generosity of hosting this month's meeting as well as the wonderful treats they provided. He stated the Town of Rudolph is one of the most supportive of the Sheriff's Department and he truly appreciates that.

Sheriff Reichert stated he has received nothing as far as correspondence this month.

### **b. Updates:**

**Crimestoppers:** None

**Safe Ride Initiative:** Sheriff Reichert stated he will be giving safe rides home to patrons on New Year's Eve, along with David Hahn from the Wood County Tavern League. This is the 7<sup>th</sup> year of them working together on New Year's Eve.

**Criminal Justice Task Force:** None

**K9:** Sheriff Reichert stated the solicitation for the 2014 Magic Show is well underway and going well.

### **c. Jail Items:** All jail reports were reviewed.

Sheriff Reichert stated the population is up. He also stated the claim for the terminated Corrections Officer went in favor of the Sheriff's Department, as it was dismissed.

Sheriff Reichert stated that changes were made to the Lead Correction Officers. A new Lead is on 7-3 shift, the same Lead will maintain the 3-11 shift, and a new Lead will be on the 11-7 shift.

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

**Motion by Winch, second by Polach to approve the November 2013 claims of all the Public Safety Committee Departments. Motion carried unanimously.**

**11. Adjourn:**

Prior to adjourning, Supervisor Polach wished to express his thanks to the Town of Rudolph for the hospitality. All Committee members expressed their thanks as well.

**Motion by Allworden, second by Winch, to adjourn at 2:10 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.**

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

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William Winch, Secretary  
Public Safety Committee