

County of Buffalo
Alma, Wisconsin
Notice of Public Meeting

Committee: Law Enforcement/Emergency Management Committee

Date: Tuesday, October 20, 2020

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Location: Buffalo County Courthouse-3rd Floor Conference Room

*****STATE MANDATE TO WEAR A FACE COVERING IF ATTENDING THIS MEETING IN-PERSON**

AGENDA

The meeting is open to the public, but portions of the meeting may be closed if this notice indicates that the committee may convene in closed session. The following matters may be considered and acted upon at the meeting, but deviation from the order shown may occur:

1. Call to Order/Roll Call
2. Public comment regarding any matters that will be taken up by the Committee at this meeting
3. Public comments regarding non-agenda items
4. Review/Discussion/Action: Approval of August minutes
5. Review/Discussion/Action: Law Enforcement August bills paid in September, September paid in October
6. Review/Discussion/Action: Purchase of UPS battery backup
7. Review/Discussion: Update to 2021 Law Enforcement/Jail Budget
8. Review/Discussion: Update for Night differential pay for communications/corrections officers
9. Review/Discussion/Action: Law Enforcement current Expenditure Report
10. Review/Discussion Chief Deputy, Jail Administrator and Sheriff's Monthly Reports
11. Review/Discussion/Action: Emergency Management current Expenditures Report/Written Report
12. Review/Discussion/Action: Next Meeting Date
13. Adjournment

Date: October 13, 2020

Michael Taylor, Committee Chair

By: Michael J. Schmidtknecht, Sheriff

Board Members: If unable to attend, please contact your Committee Chair, if unavailable contact the County Clerk's Office at 608-685-6209, if unavailable contact the Administration Office at 608-685-6234.

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Public Access to the Courthouse: The South Entrance will be the only access to the building after 4:30 p.m

Buffalo County Public Meeting Minutes

Committee/Board: LAW ENFORCEMENT AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Date of Meeting: August 18, 2020

Electronic and Hardcopy Filing Date: August 31, 2020

Meeting called to order by Mr. Taylor at 9:00am.

1: Call to Order/Roll Call: Mr. Mike Taylor, Mr. Larry Grisen, Mr. Nathan Nelson, Mr. John Sendelbach, and Mr. Dennis Bork

Others present: Ms. Carol McDonough, Sheriff Mike Schmidtknecht, Chief Deputy Lee Engfer, Ms. Melissa Brunner, and Mr. Bruce Fuerbringer

2/3: Public Comments: None

4: Review/Discussion/Action: Approval of July minutes

Mr. Grisen made a motion to approve minutes as presented, second by Mr. Nelson. Motion carried.

5: Review/Discussion/Action: Law Enforcement July bills paid in August

Mr. Nelson made a motion to approve vouchers, second by Mr. Sendelbach. Motion carried.

6: Review/Discussion/Action: Communications/Corrections Officer reimbursement policy

Sheriff Schmidtknecht discussed the reimbursement policy in the deputy's union contract. He contacted other counties to see what policies they have in place and presented the committee with two options. Mr. Grisen made a motion for the reimbursement language to read for a period of three years, reimbursement up to \$1,500, second by Mr. Nelson. Motion carried. Language will need to be brought to HR as an employee handbook change.

7. Discussion/Action: Purchase of insurance replacement squad

Sheriff Schmidtknecht advised the committee that one of the owned squads was in a car v. deer accident on July 16th and was recently deemed totaled by the county's insurance company. A replacement squad was located for under \$42,000, partially-equipped. So, basically, the county will get the replacement squad for the amount of the \$5,000 deductible. Mr. Nelson made a motion to approve the replacement of the totaled squad car, second by Mr. Sendelbach. Motion carried.

8. Review/Discussion/Action: Law Enforcement current Expenditure Report

Sheriff Schmidtknecht presented committee with current Expenditure/Revenue report, on track for both patrol and jail. Even though the county is saving on salaries for the jail due to it being short-staffed, over-time is up in order to cover the open-shifts. Mr. Taylor accepted reports.

****MOVED #10 ITEM AHEAD DUE TO MEETING CONFLICT**

10. Chief Deputy, Jail Administrator, and Sheriff's Monthly Reports:

Chief Deputy Engfer discussed both jail and patrol reports for July. Two significant events for July, train v. pedestrian fatality and squad v. deer damage, which totaled the squad. There were no significant events for the jail for July. Bookings have gone up; there has been an uptick of more aggressive types of calls and arrests. Mr. Taylor accepted reports.

9. Review/Discussion/Action: Proposed 2021 Law Enforcement/Jail Budget

Sheriff Schmidtknecht discussed that many of the budgeted items are in relation to contracted services that cannot be negotiated, together with fuel and the jail meals that are also not within his control. He advised that he believes that Covid-19 will affect both patrol and jail budgets. Mr. Grisen motioned to accept presented 2021 budget as a prelim, second by Mr. Nelson. Motion carried. Move budget to Finance.

****MOVED #10 ITEM**

11. Review/Discussion/Action: Emergency Management current Expenditures Report/Written Report

Mr. Fuerbringer presented his current expenditures to the committee, currently at 35% for the year due to Covid. No written report available. He noted that next year's emergency exercise has already been determined. He's been busy handing out PPE to the county. Covid has affected both salary and part-time budgets, as there was no part-time actually budgeted. Mr. Taylor accepted report.

12. Review/Discussion/Action: Proposed 2021 Emergency Management Budget

Mr. Fuerbringer advised the committee that LEPC will be presenting their own budget. He advised that he will be receiving several grants. There was discussion of taking grant funds from EM budget to pay for sheriff's office or courthouse defibrillators. Need to discuss with Sonya Hansen if other purchase plans have been made for the courthouse defibrillators. There was discussion of whether to use full grant amounts or to put partial unused funds into a contingency fund, even if not known what the funds will be used for.

Mr. Grisen made motion to approve Emergency Management 2021 Budget at \$55,000, second by Mr. Nelson. Motion carried. Move budget to Finance.

13: Review/Discussion/Action: Next Meeting Date

September 15, 2020 at 9:00am.

14: Adjournment

11:15am, Mr. Sendelbach made a motion to adjourn, second by Mr. Grisen. Motion carried to adjourn.

Melissa Brunner, Secretary



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LEEM Report

October 13, 2020

Dealing with the current COVID-19 pandemic continues to be a daily issue. Buffalo County continues to work with Wisconsin Emergency Management (WEM) to assist in the distribution of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) to emergency response personnel and other agencies dealing with the pandemic. Emergency management has participated in the meetings with the local business community as hosted by the Health Department, offering businesses PPE to support their daily operations if needed. To date, no county businesses have requested PPE from the County since the initial safer-at-home emergency rule.

Emergency Management is able to, and does order PPE from the State on a bi-weekly basis, as requests from departments and other agencies come in.

The WEM State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) continues to hold briefings twice weekly. As you are aware, Wisconsin is now one of the highest reporting 'hot spot' of COVID cases nation-wide. The County EOC continues to meet as needed for updates and to consider new or on-going initiatives to help reduce the spread within Buffalo County.

Plan-of-Work records of required activities have been successfully submitted for the 2019-2020 Emergency Management and LEPC grants closeout processes, with fiscal reporting due the end of October.

2020 close-out requirements are the priority for October, and 2021's Plan-of-Work activities will commence in earnest upon successful grant close-outs. Once the close-outs are approved, the State will issue a reimbursement check from the FEMA grants for 50% of expenditures incurred by the County over the past federal fiscal year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bruce Fuerbringer, Interim EM Director

AUGUST PAID SEPTEMBER 2020

AMOUNT	VENDOR
42.00	City Limits (Squad 80-mount tires)
481.23	Kiesler (Ammunition)
484.92	Brownells (2-sights, ammunition)
8.99	NAPA (oil dry)
272.85	The Uniform Shoppe (98-uniform base layer, 85-uniform shirt, 97-Badge)
143.50	SWITS (inmate interpretation) 2020-3937
244.00	Buffalo Tow & Recovery (tow-2020-)4546 **RESTITUTION
413.00	Midwest Dental (Inmate dental care-C.Choncoa)
2864.80	River Ratz (8/11-8/25 jail meals)
5350.00	GeoComm (Dispatch Mapping/CAD support 6/1/20-5/31/21)
2286.90	Axon (3-body cameras) **JAIL ASSESSMENTS
128.24	Loffler (August-copy charges)
157.89	DeLage Landen (copier lease)
35028.00	CIS (WIBRS/NIBRS 2nd-payment) **GRANT
32.98	NAPA (85-wiper blades)
497.82	MRSA-UV, LLC (squad UV light) **COVID FUNDS
602.30	US Bank (Tower maintenance, AED shipping, COVID supplies) **SOME COVID FUNDS
4547.20	AT&T (911 phase I&II)
1410.51	Advanced Correctional Healthcare (July/August-pool reconciliation)
4172.66	Advanced Correctional Healthcare (October jail services)
27.00	Mayo Clinic (Employment testing-Weiss)
95.00	Digicom (video display & audio service-booking room)
21.64	JW Transcription (3-investigation files)
2383.92	Kwik Trip (gasoline)
907.98	Galls (replacement spike strips) 2020-4251 **RESTITUTION
35.00	Ancom (portable radio programming)
1005.20	Verizon (cellphones,MDC aircards)
108.45	CCT (telephone)
586.48	Countryside Coop. (gasoline, mirror glue)
143.08	Riverland Energy (3-towers)
1188.93	Snappers (92, 82, 96-rotars, tire rotation, oil changes, wipers, brakes)
\$65,672.47	2020 CURRENT TOTAL

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