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Buffalo County Public Meeting Minutes

Committee/Board: LAW ENFORCEMENT AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT
COMMITTEE

Date of Meeting: July 09, 2019

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Meeting called to order by vice chair, Mr. Bork at 8:59am.

Members present pursuant to roll call: John Kriesel, Mike Taylor, Dennis Bork, and Butch Schreiner

Others present: Sheriff Michael Schmidtknecht, Melissa Brunner, Chief Deputy Engfer, Bruce Fuerbringer, and Lieutenant Diane Mikelson

Public-None

Sheriff Schmidtknecht asked for a motion to open and nominate a new Chairperson due to the resignation of Mr. Brunkow. Mr. Kriesel motioned and nominated Dennis Bork, second by Mr. Schreiner with a motion to close nominations. Second by Mr. Kriesel. Unanimous vote by committee for Mr. Bork to serve as the new chair. Motion carried.

Mr. Bork asked for a motion to open and nominate a new Vice-chair. Mr. Kriesel motioned and nominated Butch Schreiner, second by Mr. Bork with a motion to close nominations. Second by Mr. Taylor. Unanimous vote by committee for Mr. Schreiner to serve as the new vice-chair. Motion carried.

Minutes: Approved as mailed. Motion by Mr. Kriesel, second by Mr. Taylor. Motion carried.

Emergency Management Expenditures/written report: Mr. Fuerbringer presented his current expenditures. There are a few small increases, to include publishing fees. He plans to spend some funds in order to stock up on emergency supplies to stock the newly purchased F-150 vehicle. As of the end of June, his budget is at about 35%. He does not have a 2020 budget prepared yet but should be substantially the same or less as 2019 due to grant funding being less. Motion to accept current expenditures by Mr. Schreiner, second by Mr. Kriesel. Motion carried.

Mr. Fuerbringer presented his monthly report. He advised there were very heavy rains last week that caused flash flooding on Highway 37. Also, there was a train derailment that occurred in Grant County on July 1st which officials are reporting was caused by a large rock or mud slide onto the tracks which stemmed from heavy rains.

He will be getting ready for the Mondovi Fair, as the county has sponsored a large booth for this year's fair, which will be manned by county employees.

Law Enforcement June bills paid in July: Sheriff Schmidtknecht advised the committee that not all of the bills are in due to the timing of the meeting. Mr. Schreiner motioned to accept bills as presented, second by Mr. Taylor. Motion carried.

Current Expenditures LE/Jail: Sheriff Schmidtknecht discussed the current expenditure handout. Currently, the patrol budget is at about 45%. The part-time line item has gone up due to full-time deputy shortage but the over-time is lower. Currently, the jail budget is at 35%. Mr. Taylor made a motion to accept current expenditures, second by Mr. Schreiner. Motion carried.

Jail Lieutenant Report: Lieutenant Mikelson presented her report. As of the end of June, there were 223 total bookings for the year. The jail assessment balance is at \$73,453.30 for the year. There have been no jail changes in the month of June. The inmate daily headcount average for June was 113.67.

Chief Deputy Report: Chief Deputy Engfer presented his June report. There have been a total of 707 Calls for Service, year to date. There has been a total of 61.25 overtime hours, and 15.5 hours of reimbursed overtime. The overtime was up due to covering for a deputy out on FMLA, and one resigning earlier, as well as the execution of two search warrants.

Significant events for June: Included a fatal crash on Highway 25; major injury crashes on CTH M and STH 37; and a search warrant executed in the Town of Milton.

Sheriff's Report: Sheriff Schmidtknecht advised the committee the female CCO has been hired and she will start in early August. He updated the committee that Governor Evers vetoed the bill for the addition of extra mental health beds in Eau Claire.

Law Enforcement/Patrol 2020 Budget: Sheriff Schmidtknecht advised that there would be a few contractual increases to the jail budget. The jail computer (316) line item amount was moved to capital outlay in the patrol budget. Some revenues for patrol were down due to not having any auction vehicles. There was brief discussion of keeping some squads as purchased versus leasing the whole fleet. Sheriff discussed the outfitting of the vehicles every 4-5 years gets expensive, also. There was discussion of having non-lapsing funds in the capital outlay to help soften needed expenses and not take such a "hit" to the budget. For the patrol budget, the computer line item (316) was moved to capital outlay line item (998).

Sheriff Schmidtknecht advised that a few of the budget numbers are contingent upon a couple of things; one being a grant that could come through for WIBRS it would decrease the overall budget by about \$39,000; also, if the computer upgrades are taken out of the administration budget, it would decrease the overall budget by about \$69,100. Motion to accept current proposed 2020 Patrol/Jail budgets with possible amendments by Mr. Kriesel, second by Mr. Taylor. Motion carried.

Next meeting is currently set for September 17th at 9:00am.

10:58a.m., motion to adjourn by Mr. Schreiner, second by Mr. Taylor.

Melissa L. Brunner, Secretary