

WAUSHARA COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
September 4, 2019

The regular meeting of the Waushara County Public Safety Committee was called to order on Wednesday, September 4, 2019, @ at 4:30 P.M., by Committee Chair Donna Kalata. Committee members present: Donna Kalata, Mark Piechowski, Jerry Lauer and Everett Eckstein. Mark Kerschner's absence was excused.

Others present: Sheriff Wally Zuehlke, Chief Deputy Curt Olson, Lt. Stacy Vaccaro, Lt. Heather Wittig and Darlene Masticola – Waushara County Sheriff's Office, Brian Donaldson – Waushara County EMS, Ruth Zouski – Waushara County Corporation Counsel, Sarah Luchini – Waushara County Finance Specialist, Norman Duesterhoeft – Waushara County Emergency Management, Robert Sivick – Waushara County Administrator, Brian Freimark – Waushara County Highway Commissioner and Amanda Thoma – Waushara County Medical Examiner.

Motion was made by Supervisor Eckstein and seconded by Supervisor Piechowski to approve the agenda as printed. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Supervisor Lauer and seconded by Supervisor Piechowski to approve the minutes of the regular Public Safety Committee meeting held on August 7, 2019. Motion carried.

Public Comments – No public comments.

Fire Services – No report.

Medical Examiner Report – Amanda Thoma

153 total cases reported to her office in 2019. For August 2019, she and the Deputy ME handled 21 deaths, 19 of those ME cases, 2 potential accidents.

Is working with Joan Ballweg and her staff reference suicide prevention, trying to put something together to track kids whose family member may have committed suicide.

Medical Examiner – Old Business – None
Medical Examiner – New Business – None

EMS Reports – EMS Director Donaldson

Reviewed monthly calls for service, system demand breakdown and financials with Committee. Director Donaldson advised calls for service, charges for service, contractual adjustments and payments all are up. Collections remain over .50 cents on the dollar.

Continues to work with the County's GIS Specialist Zach Newton, reference District 5 boundaries.

EMS staff is training this week on new Clinical Practice Guidelines which will be implemented 10/1/19. This is the end of a three year project – guidelines approved by Dr. Voskuil and are currently at the State for approval.

EMS – Old Business

- A) Wild Rose Station Costs: Director Donaldson stated he attended the Village of Wild Rose Board Meeting in August, and was advised the Village has no funds to assist with the additional costs for the Wild Rose Station. Supervisor Eckstein stated he would attend their September meeting.

EMS – New Business

- A) Motion by Supervisor Piechowski, second by Supervisor Lauer to approve the following for submission to Corporation Counsel for collection action: 15 collection accounts totaling \$9,035.06. Motion carried.

- B) 2020 Contracted Rates for Service w/Marquette County, Town of Richfield, Town of Colburn and Town of Leola: EMS Director Donaldson gave a brief history of the contracts for service, and requested the Committee approve multi-year contracts which would include a 3% increase each year increase starting in 2020 contingent upon their agreement with the multi-year term. Motion made by Supervisor Lauer, seconded by Supervisor Eckstein to approve. Motion carried.

Emergency Management Report – EM Director Duesterhoeft

Discussed the recent functional exercise, is waiting for the After Action Report.

Required Off-Site plans submitted to WHOPPERS.

Advised the Town of Hancock will be receiving \$6,475.12 - disaster fund reimbursement.

Received a \$2,500 grant from Trans Canadian Pipeline – funds to be used to upgrade generators.

Grant dollars - \$6,700.00, which will be received in 2020 will be used to upgrade equipment in the EOC, i.e. cell phone booster, monitors, hubs.

Old Business – Emergency Management – None

New Business – Emergency Management – None

Sheriff's Reports

Chief Deputy Curt Olson

Discussed two recent cases, one a shaken baby case which has been charged out, the other a drug search warrant in the Town of Aurora.

Lt. Wittig – Jail

Jail staffing issued discussed.

The Jail Inspection report has been received, and recommendations from the report are being reviewed. County Administrator Sivick commended Lt. Wittig on the jail inspection report.

Taser and CPR Training has been scheduled for October.

Starts her first week of Command College in September.

Lt. Vaccaro – Patrol

Discussed a fatal motorcycle vs. pickup truck crash. State Patrol did a reconstruction and investigation in on-going.

Department Patrol staff participated in the National Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over Campaign which ran from 8/16/19 thru 9/2/19.

The EM trailer was used for Augustfest and the Waushara County Fair.

Attended the Governor's Conference for Highway Safety the end of August. One of the presenters spoke about the mega crash on Winnebago County on I-41.

Sheriff Zuehlke

Attended the Badger State Sheriff's Conference in Milwaukee. Discussion at the conference about the Democratic National Convention which is being held in Milwaukee 7/13/20 thru 7/16/20, and that the City of Milwaukee may be requesting assistance from agencies throughout the State of Wisconsin.

There are nine (9) jury trials scheduled for September and October which are considered high risk. Sheriff has cancelled any training during those trials. County Administrator Sivick requested information/dates, so appropriated courthouse staff could be notified.

Old Business – Sheriff

- A) **County ATV Routes:** An updated map of ATV routes already in existence was provided to Committee members. Discussion ensued about proposed routes, connecting routes, trial period for routes, possible economic impact, signage issues, vehicle speeds, bonding of ATV clubs, ordinances and liability issues. Committee requested that Sheriff Zuehlke and Highway Commissioner Freimark work with Corporation Counsel Zouski to gather additional information and to prepare a draft ordinance to bring back to Public Safety for consideration at the October 2nd, 2019 meeting.

New Business – Sheriff

- A) Bids – Arbitrator Squad Camera System: Closing date for bids was 8/7/19 at 2PM, and only one bid was received. Bid was opened and it was from Baycom for a lump sum payment of \$94,935.00 which includes set up of 15 units including installation at the Sheriff's Office as well as a three (3) year license and support agreement. Not included in the bid were the quick start packages. 1 day on site - \$1,250.00, 2 day on site - \$2,500.00 and 3 day on site - \$3,480.00. County Administrator Sivick advised that per the procurement policy, the bid could be accepted, rejected or negotiated. County Administrator Sivick questioned if this was average or appropriate cost for this package, and also stated he would like a five year license/support agreement. Motion made by Supervisor Piechowski, seconded by Supervisor Lauer that Lt. Vaccaro gather additional information as to costs for this type of system, and to try and negotiate a five year license/maintenance package, and to bring back to the October 2, 2019 Public Safety Committee Meeting. Motion carried.
- B) Fleet Maintenance Costs: Motion made by Supervisor Kalata, seconded by Supervisor Eckstein that Sheriff Zuehlke, Highway Commission Freimark and County Administrator Sivick set a meeting to discuss the issue, and if appropriate bring back to a later Public Safety Committee Meeting. Motion carried.

Future Agenda Items: Old Business: Bid – Arbitrator Squad Camera System, New Business: Draft Ordinance County ATV Routes.

Motion by Supervisor Eckstein, seconded by Supervisor Piechowski to adjourn at 5:45 PM. Committee members Kalata, Piechowski, Eckstein and Lauer present at adjournment. Motion carried.

The next Public Safety Committee Meeting will be held on October 2, 2019.

Minutes submitted by Darlene Masticola, Sheriff's Office Administrative Assistant