

WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
JUDICIARY & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

DATE: MARCH 14, 2011

TIME: 9:00 A.M.

PLACE: WINNEBAGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
RICHARD MEYER COMMUNITY RESOURCE ROOM
4311 JACKSON STREET, OSHKOSH

PRESENT: HARVEY RENGSTORF
BILL WINGREN
TOM ELLIS
BILL ROH
PAUL EISEN

ALSO PRESENT: ROBERT STONE – VETERANS OFFICE DON MILLER – COUNTY BOARD
JUDY STECKBAUER – VETERANS OFFICE KATHY LENNON – COUNTY BOARD
JERRY BOUGIE – GIS/PLANNING SUSAN LOCKE – COUNTY BOARD
DIANE CULVER – GIS/PLANNING TOM KONETZKE – COUNTY BOARD
CHRIS KNIEP – UW EXTENSION CHUCK FARREY – COUNTY BOARD
KRISTI CUTTS – UW EXTENSION JERRY FINCH – COUNTY BOARD
JOHN MATZ – SHERIFF'S OFFICE CLAUD THOMPSON – COUNTY BOARD
BILL TEDLIE – SHERIFF'S OFFICE ANN MARSHALL – LEAG. WOMEN VOTERS
CHERYLYN EISCHEN – SHERIFF'S OFFICE BARRY BUSBY - CORONER
MARK HABECK – SHERIFF'S OFFICE LARRY LAST – TOWN OF NEKIMI
DAVID ALBRECHT – COUNTY BOARD DEBBIE LAST – TOWN OF NEKIMI
TOM WIDENER – COUNTY BOARD

Chairman Harvey Rengstorf called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

1. Approve the minutes from February 14, 2011

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Bill Roh, seconded by Bill Wingren. All in favor, motion carried 5-0.

2. Communications

Bill Wingren had concerns regarding a letter that was sent out to County Board Members by Chairman David Albrecht inviting them to attend this Judiciary & Public Safety Committee Meeting violated the open meetings law. David Albrecht advised that he sent this letter out due to questions that he was receiving from County Board Members and the letter advised them to attend this meeting with any questions or input they had.

A motion to adjourn the Judiciary & Public Safety Committee Meeting was made by Bill Wingren, seconded by Bill Roh. Motion failed 3-2 with Harvey Rengstorf and Paul Eisen being opposed.

3. Input on agenda items by public

Jerry Finch who represents District 28 stated that he would like to see at least three-(3) district maps that started with the communities of Oshkosh, Neenah, and the Town of Menasha as they are three largest communities in Winnebago County.

4. Resolution: Support of Veterans Trust Fund

Robert Stone advised that the Veterans Trust Fund is almost entirely funded by proceeds from the WDVA (WI Dept. of Veterans Affairs) loan programs and it has been steadily declining since 2009 due to declining interest rates and investment earnings, along with an increased demand for programs and services. It is believed that the trust fund will be completely insolvent as early as late 2012. He is requesting approval of a resolution that all Winnebago County Board of Supervisors will fully support any and all efforts to provide additional state funding in an effort to forestall any insolvency of the trust fund.

A motion to approve this resolution was made by Bill Wingren, seconded by Tom Ellis. All in favor, motion carried 5-0.

5. Discussion/Action on County Board District Maps

Jerry Bougie handed out a timeline for completing these maps within the 60-day window that begins when the County officially receives the population numbers from the State, which they expect to receive the week of March 21, 2011. Part of the requirements is to get input from local municipalities and he was looking for suggestions from the committee as to how they would like this accomplished. He was also looking for direction as to what maps the committee wanted done.

Bill Wingren made a motion that only one map be created that reflected only the population increases. This motion failed due to lack of a second.

Bill Roh made a motion to have the committee supplied with an existing map and informed if that map abides by the 10% deviation or not. In addition to this, he would like the committee to be given three-(3) new maps which also include incumbencies. The motion was seconded by Tom Ellis. Motion carried, 4-1 with Bill Wingren being opposed.

Bill Roh also suggested that all municipalities be advised of what is happening and asked for their written input and that they attend the meetings.

There was also a question regarding the date of the next Judiciary meeting; if it would be April 11 which is the next normally scheduled date or if it would be April 18 as indicated on the tentative redistricting schedule. All members were in favor, 5-0, to hold the next meeting on April 18, 2011.

6. UW Extension Program for Jail Inmates

Chris Kniep and Kristi Cutts advised that they have been working with the inmates since 2006 and their educational programs focus on decision-making, financial management and housing, building strong/healthy family relationships, communications, and stress.

7. Update on Fire and Police Radios

Sheriff John Matz advised that GeoComm will be giving a presentation regarding the 700 MHz System and the study they did to the County Board at the next meeting On 03/15/11.

8. Update on Criminal Justice Study

Captain Mark Habeck advised that Kimme and Associates were at the Sheriff's Office on February 23, 2011 for a site visit and gave a presentation at the Safe Streets Committee Meeting. Copies of the minutes from the Safe Streets Committee Meeting and the Power Point Kimme presented were handed out. Kimme and Associates will be making another site visit for continued research on March 22 and 23, 2011.

9. Sheriff's Report

They received the study from South Dakota regarding the 24/7 Program that they have been using since 2005. The study indicates that they had a: 74% reduction in recidivism for 2nd offense OWI, 44% reduction in recidivism for 3rd offense OWI, and a 31% reduction in recidivism for 4th offense OWI. The Sheriff's Office will be having a meeting regarding this matter to finalize a view matters. If the program is implemented, the program will pay for itself as long as 81 participants are in the program and it will have an initial investment of \$13,000.

They received a \$6,000 donation for their K9 Program from an anonymous donor.

Communications Manager Kathy Biggar retired. They will not be making a decision on filling this position until after the results of the PSAP Study are received.

Officers have been sent to Madison to assist with crowd control on a Mutual Aid Request. The Sheriff's Office is reimbursed for all costs incurred. This is strictly being done as a Mutual Aid Request to provide a safe place for people to protest and has nothing to do with if they agree with Governor Walker or not.

Sheriff Matz advised that there may be some meetings he will not be able to attend due to personal matters, but representation will be at the meetings and he will be available to respond to emails or phone calls.

10. Items for Next Agenda

None.

11. Future Meeting Date

April 18, 2011

12. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made at 10:40 a.m. by Bill Roh, seconded by Tom Ellis. All in favor, motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted:

Sandy Schauz
Winnebago County Sheriff's Office