

**WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
**JUDICIARY & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

DATE: MAY 13, 2013

TIME: 9:00 A.M.

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

PRESENT: BILL WINGREN  
TOM ELLIS  
PAUL EISEN  
LARRY SMITH  
DAVID ALBRECHT

EXCUSED: BILL ROH

ALSO PRESENT: JOHN MATZ – SHERIFF  
JOE KRONCKE – SHERIFF  
BARB SPANBAUER – SHERIFF  
LINDA KOLLMANN – EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT  
MELISSA KONRAD – CLERK OF COURTS  
KAREN SEIFERT – CIRCUIT COURT BRANCH IV  
JENNIFER WOLDT – OSHKOSH NORTHWESTERN

**1. Call to Order**

Chairman Bill Wingren called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and it was verified that the meeting was properly noticed.

**2. Approve minutes from the April 8, 2013 meeting**

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Larry Smith, seconded by Tom Ellis. All in favor, motion carried 5-0.

**3. Public comments on agenda items**

None.

**4. Communications**

None.

**5. Courthouse Security Power Point presentation – Sheriff Matz**

Sheriff Matz explained issues that were found not only from the Active Shooter Exercise completed in January 2013 but also from the Wisconsin Supreme Court Best Practices that was put out in 2012 noting many of the deficiencies found with the Winnebago County Courthouse and other Courthouses within the state.

The Power Point presentation included several videos of violent incidents that have occurred in courtrooms in different states. The presentation also presented six-(6) different options for improving security at the Courthouse which were titled Option A – F. Each option built off the

previous option before it. Options A – E covered some, but not all of the issues addressed in the 2012 Supreme Court Best Practices, some of which was due to the layout of the Courthouse. The only option that would cover all issues was Option F which would require a new Courthouse to be built.

Some of the things included in the options were duress alarms, public screening, protective barriers, lighting, surveillance, staffing requirements, etc. Some of the options discussed could be done right away to provide added security until a final decision is made.

There was a discussion amongst committee members regarding their thoughts on the options provided by Sheriff Matz and it was decided that this would be discussed further at the next Judiciary and Public Safety meeting which will be a joint meeting with the Facilities and Property Management Committee.

#### **6. Resolution requesting Sheriff Matz to read the Declaration of Independence from the Courthouse steps on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, 2013**

A motion to adopt this resolution was made by Larry Smith, seconded by Tom Ellis. All in favor, motion carried 5-0.

#### **7. Sheriff's Report**

Sheriff Matz advised that former Sheriff Marv Pepler (1964-1980) passed away. Funeral arrangements are pending.

Sheriff Matz invited all committee members to attend the Sheriff's Office Awards Ceremony that will be held on May 16, 2013 @ 11:00 a.m. where employees are recognized for events from the previous year and also community members who did something heroic or were involved with law enforcement in a positive manner. There will also be a press conference along with the Attorney General regarding a large burglary ring.

The fire departments will be on the new radio system in June and bi-directional amplifiers have been installed at the Oshkosh Police Department and the Menasha Police Department. One is currently being installed at the Aurora Hospital.

AED's (Automated External Defibrillators) were donated to the Sheriff's Office. Staff has been trained in their use and they will be placed in their squads.

#### **8. Suggested items for next agenda**

Courthouse Security

#### **9. Next meeting date**

The next meeting will be a joint meeting between the Judiciary and Public Safety Committee and the Facilities and Property Management Committee on June 10, 2013 @ 9:00 a.m.

#### **10. Adjournment**

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

Respectfully Submitted:

Sandy Schauz  
Winnebago County Sheriff's Office