

WINNEBAGO COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE & BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
JUDICIARY & PUBLIC SAFETY MEETING

In person & via Zoom

DATE: DECEMBER 6, 2021

TIME: 9:00 A.M.

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

PRESENT: VICKI SCHORSE
TOM ELLIS
PAUL EISEN
BILL WINGREN
MIKE BRUNN

ALSO PRESENT: JON DOEMEL
MARY ANNE MUELLER
JOHN MATZ
ERIC RASMUSSEN
SUE ERTMER
CATHY SCHERER
BECKY POWERS
AMY HOULE
KELLY KUTZ
ETHAN HOLLENBERGER
MILES MAGUIRE
MIKE COLLARD

1. Call to Order

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

2. Consideration of Minutes of the September 20, 2021 meeting

A motion to approve the minutes from the September 20, 2021 Emergency Management meeting was made by Paul Eisen, seconded by Mike Brunn; motion carried.

3. Comments and/or correspondence from the public

Executive Doemel wanted to give a shout out to Emergency Management for making calls and securing a mortuary trailer for only the cost of sanitizing it once we are done utilizing it versus renting one for \$64,000.

4. Director's Report – Eric Rasmussen

- **Siren Report**
 - Siren test season ended and fall maintenance is complete. Daily notifications are still sent from sirens to ensure they are working properly. 5-year maintenance is complete on all sirens except 6. Those 6 need to be serviced by with the use of a bucket truck. Funds will be carried over to complete this in 2022. Since our electrician went to the proper schooling to be able to solely do the maintenance on our sirens we have had far fewer issues than when we had to hire out to keep them properly maintained.

- **Plan of Work Progress Report**
 - The 2021 POW was closed out successfully by the September 30 deadline. It is still early in the new POW but we have already done a regional exercise and other outreach classes.

- **Covid – 19 Response Update**
 - We have taken a step back as the Health Dept. has taken most of the responsibility back. Boosters are being offered to those already vaccinated and school aged children are now eligible for the vaccinations. It was proposed that we now take this item off the agenda and Director Rasmussen will just give updates as necessary.

- **Other Activities**
 - Senior Elected Official workshop will be attending by Executive Doemel and Director Rasmussen later this week
 - We will be hosting a COOP/COG on March 3, 2022 for all Department Heads
 - Director Rasmussen will be teaching a class at UW-Fox Valley on Preparedness in 2022
 - Our office is working with the Red Cross to update the Emergency Shelter Lists and Agreements
 - Director Rasmussen and Specialist Houle participated in County Government Day by bring the Mobile Command Post to Sunnyview Expo Center and giving local students tours
 - Winnebago County EM will be hosting the Basic Academy in 2022 along with hosting a critical incident class for OPD
 - Utica was approved for the Wisconsin Disaster Fund and has received their money. Nepeuskun and the Town of Rushford have sent their paperwork in and are awaiting a response
 - Director Rasmussen will champion an Emergency Communications Plan and work to identify a best practice
 - Director Rasmussen has been working with Mike Elder and Adam Breest to start the Sunnyview Generator Project. This project will look at the needs to make Sunnyview a multi-purpose emergency venue.

5. EPCRA Report

Deputy Director Powers has 27 plans that need to be updated and she has successfully completed 20. We have fulfilled much of our grant requirements already.

6. Current Budget Report

- Our travel is still limited due to Covid-19 but we are expecting to attend the Governor's Conference in early 2022 as a department.
- Repairs are being done on the Director's vehicle
- Safety supplies have been purchased for the CART Team
- EOC upgrade planned and money will be carried over for 2022 budget to complete those upgrades
- Haz Mat plan should be completed in early 2022 and will be able to close out that grant.

7. Consideration (Vote) on the Participation Agreement to the master Settlement Agreement and execute the Accompanying Memorandums of Understanding

Nationwide settlements have been proposed to resolve all opioid litigation brought by state and local subdivisions against McKesson, Cardinal Health, AmerisourceBergen, and manufacturer Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and its parent company Johnson & Johnson. The settlements will provide funds to states and counties for abatement of opioids. The state of Wisconsin is estimated to receive 402 million split around 70% / 30% with local government, which means Winnebago County could see around 6 million. The participation forms need to be signed by January 2, 2022 and if there isn't 100% participation the state will get about 5% less for each county that doesn't sign. Attorney fees are based on an agreement that was signed by the board in 2017. If Winnebago County receives this money it will go into a separate account to only be used for opioid abatement and the County Board would decide what the money can be used for. Motion to approve signing the document was offered by Mike Brunn, second by Bill Wingren. 4 members were in favor and Bill Wingren was opposed; motion was carried.

8. Consideration (Vote) to approve amended pay rules for 911 Dispatchers in Charge and special pay for the positions of Chief Deputy, Captain, Lieutenant and Internet Crime Investigator

The Union voted 70/3 in favor of the raise for patrol/detectives due to the employee crisis. Sheriff Matz said the pay is still not where it should be but it's better. Mike Brunn asked to encourage lateral transfers and the Sheriff agreed. Paul Eisen wants a better explanation of where the money is going because he feels the statistics are confusing. Paul Eisen motions to approve #7 and Tom Ellis seconds it; all voted in favor and motion is approved. #9 is administration raises and Sheriff Matz states our Lt's make less than the comparables he has provided. He also explained why we have a lead dispatcher. Mike Brunn questions how our Lt's handle no OT. The Sheriff states they stay however long they need to until the job is done as it is an expectation in their job duty. The Sheriff is asking for admin to get a \$3 an hour raise which would give them an additional \$6,120 a year which is just below the average. The Sheriff is confident no one in admin will leave and this is just a good faith gesture. The admin scale hasn't increased due to inflation and he feels the pay scale needs to move yearly. Paul Eisen is asking for actual hard numbers to be provided. Executive Doemel says the whole county needs better compensation but this agenda item is simply to keep more employees from leaving and to buy us time to fix this county wide. Mike Brunn said the comparable chart provided by the Sheriff needs to be tightened and he would like Fond du Lac County added as a comparable as well. Paul Eisen motioned for this to be approved and Tom Ellis seconds it; all voted in favor; motion carried.

9. Adjournment

Tom Ellis moved to adjourn; Paul Eisen seconded the motion; all voted in favor; motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

The next meeting will take place for Emergency Management on March 7, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.
The Board of Supervisors Judiciary & Public Safety will meet again on December 13, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.