

WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
JUDICIARY & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

DATE: MAY 8, 2017

TIME: 9:00 A.M.

PLACE: WINNEBAGO COUNTY COURTHOUSE
RICHARD MEYER COMMUNITY RESOURCE ROOM
4311 JACKSON STREET, OSHKOSH

PRESENT: BILL WINGREN
PAUL EISEN
LARRY SMITH
BILL ROH
TOM ELLIS

ALSO PRESENT: JOHN MATZ – SHERIFF
TODD CHRISTOPHERSON – SHERIFF
KAREN SEIFERT- BRANCH 4
JEFF JORGENSEN – BRANCH 5
WILLIAM ANTHERS - SHERIFF

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. Approval of minutes of April 10, 2017 meeting

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

3. Public comments on agenda items

None

4. Communications

Bill Roh read a section off of the United States Treasury website in regards to Legal Tender. The statement reads that coins are considered legal tender and must be accepted for bill payments, fines, debts and tax payments. The topic of accepting coins for payment was brought up to the committee in April by the Clerk of Courts. This is follow up in regards to that topic and what the United States Treasury deems coins as an acceptable form of payment as they are considered legal tender.

Paul Eisen brought up a Grievance that was filed in regards to the closing of the tunnel between the courthouse and the Orin King Building.

5. Discussion: Courthouse Security – Gun Policy

Sheriff Matz discussed the current law on taking firearms into the courthouse to include DA's, ADA's, Judges and Law Enforcement Deputies. Although these individuals are allowed to carry

within the courthouse, it is up to the Judges as to whether or not to allow those covered under the current law to also carry within their courtroom.

6. Discussion: Policy Discussion on Use of Rape Kits

Sheriff Matz discussed the use of our 3 rape kits. There is one tied to a 2007 case. That case did not go further than that as the party who the rape kit was used for did not wish to report the crime in the end. The other two rape kits did not end up being utilized as well since the people confessed to the crime and were convicted based on their confession and the rape kit was not needed. The Sheriff's Office does administer DNA swabs for those charged with felonies and those are sent in for analysis. DNA swabs will now be available to be done right at the courthouse so those convicted can then go right to the station at the courthouse rather than coming out the Sheriff's Office after court to have their DNA taken.

7. Sheriff's Report

-Sheriff Matz briefly discussed the loss of one of our deputies, Adam Bauer, as a result of a medical condition.

-Sheriff Matz and Lieutenant William Anthes gave an update on the courthouse security checkpoint. They stated that have received positive feedback in regards to the checkpoint and staff feel safer in their work environment. Lt. Anthes discussed items that have been found and items that have been surrendered at the checkpoint.

-Sheriff Matz informed the committee that the propane tanks have been installed on the vehicles and the use of the propane starts today. Staff are being trained on the use of the propane and the only piece they are still waiting for is the installation of the propane tank on site.

-Sheriff Matz provided an update on the CAD/RMS system – Outagamie has decided on Spillman. Winnebago County sat through demonstrations from three vendors and will be deciding on one within the next few months.

-Sheriff Matz discussed the K9 brat fry taking place on Friday, May 12th at Festival Foods in Neenah.

-Sheriff Matz reminded the committee members of the Annual Awards ceremony taking place on Thursday, May 18th at 10am.

8. Suggested items for the next agenda

Bill Wingren stated anyone who would like an item on the next agenda to contact him.

9. Next Meeting Date: Monday, June 12, 2017

10. Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made at 9:33 a.m. by Bill Roh, seconded Tom Ellis. All in favor, motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted:

Kimberly Delcore
Winnebago County Sheriff's Office