

PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE COMMITTEE
Minutes – January 20, 2014

Call to Order. Chair Collins called the meeting of the Public Safety and Justice Committee to order at 4:00 P.M. on January 20, 2014 in the Conference Room N-1.

Committee Members Present: Supervisors Collins, Beaver, Brill, Knudson and Wiedenfeld.

Committee Members Excused: None.

Staff Members Present: Captain Craig Strouse, Sheriff's Office; Nick Osborne, Assistant to County Administrator; Kathy Sukus, 911 Communications Center Director; Louis Smit, Chief Deputy Coroner; Erin Berryman and Jody Paul, Coroner's Office.

Others Present: Jack Friess and Tony Farrell Sr.

Adoption of Agenda. Supervisor Knudson moved approval of the agenda as presented, second by Supervisor Brill. ADOPTED.

Adoption of Minutes. Supervisor Wiedenfeld moved approval of the minutes of January 9, 2014 as presented, second by Supervisor Beaver. ADOPTED.

Citizen Participation, Communications, Announcement, Information. None.

Consent Calendar.

Transfers and Appropriations.

Sheriff's Office

FROM

<u>Account #</u>	<u>Amount</u>
21-2100-0000-67130	\$ 1,556
Terminals & PCs - LES	

TO

<u>Account #</u>	<u>Amount</u>
21-2100-0000-63900	\$ 1,556
Ammo & Range Supplies - LES	

Bills/Encumbrances - 2013

Sheriff	\$ 8,501.08
Circuit Courts	2,980.50
Clerk of Courts	416.33
District Attorney	646.93
Child Support	230.00

Bills/Encumbrances - 2014

Sheriff	\$ 549.00
Correctional Facility	251.94
Clerk of Courts	175.00
911 Project Operations	64.95
District Attorney	71.89
Child Support	1,369.00

Pre-Approved Encumbrance Amendments. None.

Supervisor Knudson moved approval of the above Transfers and Appropriations, Bills and Encumbrances and Pre-Approved Encumbrance Amendments for the Public Safety & Justice Committee, second by Supervisor Wiedenfeld. ADOPTED.

Resolution.

Authorizing Acceptance of 2014 Highway Safety Project Grant

“NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this _____ day of _____, 2014, that the Rock County Sheriff is authorized to accept funds under the Highway Safety Project Grants; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the 2014 budget be amended as follows:

...”

Supervisor Brill moved approval of the above resolution, second by Supervisor Knudson. ADOPTED.

2013 Annual Jail Report. Captain Strouse said he is happy with the report; everything is at or near best practice.

Supervisor Brill asked about the mention of mattresses on the floor. Captain Strouse said nobody is sleeping on the floor, the Huber dorm had mattresses stacked on the floor in case they were needed.

Supervisor Brill asked about the undersized kitchen, laundry, storage, etc. Captain Strouse said they have been running at about 400 inmates, with 377 for meals, and they are approved for a maximum of 505 beds. So with these numbers they are doing fine.

Chair Collins said he felt, overall, the report was good and he and the Committee would like to commend the Jail staff.

Status of the Coroner’s Office, Current Mission Objectives and Community Programs.

Mr. Smit said their objective has been to continue as they had when Ms. Keach was still Coroner; and they just graduated their first academy. He introduced: Mr. Jack Friess, Deputy Coroner/Analyst, who has been working on the 1995 John Doe cold case from Clinton; Tony Farrell Sr., volunteer Deputy Coroner, who has worked extensively on suicide prevention; and two new deputy coroner’s Erin Berryman and Jody Paul, who just started today.

Supervisor Brill asked about the cooler in the old Rock Haven. Mr. Smit said they have been using it. Further discussion ensued.

Supervisor Knudson complimented Mr. Smit and staff.

Committee Requests and Motions. Chair Collins congratulated Captain Strouse on his upcoming 20th anniversary with Rock County.

Adjournment. Supervisor Knudson moved adjournment at 4:35 P.M., second by Supervisor Wiedenfeld. ADOPTED.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Bondehagen
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