



**GENERAL SERVICES COMMITTEE
Minutes – February 5, 2019**

Call to Order. Chair Brill called the meeting of the General Services Committee to order at 8:02 A.M., Tuesday, February 5, 2019 in Conference Room N-1, Rock County Courthouse East.

Committee Members Present: Supervisors Brill, Zajac, Brien, Potter and Rashkin.

Committee Members Absent: None.

Staff Members Present: Brent Sutherland, Facilities Management Director; Randy Terronez, Assistant to the County Administrator; Jodi Millis, Purchasing Manager; Commander Strouse, Sheriff's Office; Dave Froeber, Facilities Management Superintendent; Richard Greenlee, Corporation Counsel.

Others Present: Brian Zobel, UW Whitewater at Rock County; Brad Utter, Global Security; Nate Jackson, Janesville Gazette.

Approval of Agenda: Supervisor Zajac moved approval of the agenda as presented, second by Supervisor Potter. ADOPTED.

Citizen Participation. None.

Approval of Minutes – January 10, 2019 and January 15, 2019. Supervisor Brien moved approval of the minutes of January 10, 2019 and January 15, 2019 as presented, second by Supervisor Potter. ADOPTED.

Transfer. None.

Review of Payments. The Committee accepted the reports.

Resolutions and Committee Action.

Retaining SGTS Inc. for Professional Services for the Jail Door Controls Systems Upgrade

“NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this ____ day of _____ 2019, that a contract for professional services be awarded to SGTS Inc., of Madison, Wisconsin, in the amount of \$179,700; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an \$8,500 contingency also be approved to cover any needed changes in the scope of services.”

Supervisor Potter moved approval of the above resolution, second by Supervisor Brien.
ADOPTED.

Updates and Possible Action.

Lower Courthouse Park Beautification Plans Mr. Sutherland said ARISE has been updating the look of the downtown Janesville area. They are planning on putting in decorative lighting in the Lower Courthouse Park and have asked the County to put lights around the monument. Mr. Sutherland said with the Master Electrician coming onboard this project could very easily be done this year.

Mr. Sutherland said another request from ARISE was to plant flowers in the planters. He said Ms. Millis has taken on the project of planting and weeding the planters and maintenance takes care of the watering.

Mr. Sutherland said the ARISE people mentioned the cracks in the base and wondered if they should be filled. Mr. Sutherland said the County is aware of the cracks, had them looked at, and has been advised to not fill them as this would hold water in and make the cracks worse.

The Committee thanked Ms. Millis for her work on the planters.

Discussion, Recommendation and Possible Action of Facilities Management Master Plan Priorities Mr. Sutherland handed out copies of the prioritizing the Master Plan for the next eight (8) years. He said the first priority is the Health Care Center, the second priority is the Sheriff's Office, and went over the remainder of the list. Mr. Sutherland said the handout is broke down by year and the various stages of the projects.

Supervisor Rashkin moved approval of the priorities and the stages of the projects, second by Supervisor Potter. ADOPTED.

Supervisor Rashkin excused himself at 8:26 A.M.

Discussion, Recommendation and Possible Action to Upgrade Courthouse Contracted Security Mr. Sutherland briefly went over the overview, included in the packet, and said he is looking for direction from the Committee to draft a resolution upgrading the security at the Courthouse to armed security. Mr. Sutherland said he has met with the Judges, Sheriff's Office and Public Safety and Justice Committee and the majority expressed support for armed security.

The Committee discussed the locations Global Security presently oversee security; asked options of Mr. Greenlee, Commander Strouse, and Ms. Millis; the security station being the first line of defense; the Global Security Guards working with the Sheriff's Office to make sure they align with the Sheriff's Office; would this create an adverse environment; giving an additional level of security to citizens and employees; and there are risks whichever way we would go on this.

Supervisor Rashkin arrived back at 8:44 A.M.

Mr. Greenlee said the harder question is whether having an armed guard would escalate or de-escalate a situation. Mr. Utter said this is where the training comes in with

professional interaction. Mr. Utter added that his staff are suited up with everything but a handgun at this time.

The Committee felt this was a conversation that is needed at the County Board level.

Supervisor Zajac moved to prepare a resolution, second by Supervisor Potter. ADOPTED.

Supervisor Potter left at 9:00 A.M.

Other comments were: most citizens expect security to be armed; it is good to take time to think about this before the next meeting; and it makes sense to arm security.

Communications, Announcements and Information. None.

Adjournment. Supervisor Rashkin moved adjournment at 9:05 A.M., second by Supervisor Zajac. ADOPTED.

Respectfully submitted,

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