

**PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE COMMITTEE**  
**January 4, 2010**

**Call to Order.** Chair Collins called the meeting of the Public Safety and Justice Committee to order at 4:00 P.M. on January 4, 2010 in Conference Room N-1 on the fifth floor of the Rock County Courthouse-East.

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

**Committee Members Excused:** None.

**Staff Members Present:** Dave Sleeter, 911 Communications Center Director; Sheriff Robert Spoden; Diane Michaelis, Finance Office Manager, Sheriff's Office; Elizabeth Pohlman McQuillen, Criminal Justice System Planner/Analyst; Shirley Connors, Emergency Management Coordinator; Phil Boutwell, Assistant to the County Administrator; Jenifer Keach, Coroner.

**Others Present:** Supervisor Russ Podzilni.

**Adoption of Agenda.** Chair Collins asked to have items 7.B. and 7.E. placed on the next agenda. Supervisor Knudson moved approval of the agenda with these changes, second by Supervisor Brill. ADOPTED as amended.

**Adoption of the Minutes.** Supervisor Wiedenfeld moved approval of the minutes of December 14, 2009 and December 17, 2009 as presented, second by Supervisor Brill. ADOPTED.

**Citizen Participation, Communications, Announcements, Information.** None.

**Consent Calendar.**

**Transfers and Appropriations.** None.

**Bills/Encumbrances.**

**2009**

Sheriff	\$ 16,446.46
RECAP Operations	25,498.56
Correctional Facility	8,199.73
Circuit Courts	2,906.14
Clerk of Courts	12,538.00
911 Project Operations	1,650.17
District Attorney	458.92
Deferred Prosecution/Domestic Violence	60.00
Coroner	1,007.76
Child Support	1,072.75
2009 JAG Rec. Act.	646.10
JAG Grant	6,501.12
TRACS Grant	39,516.65

**2010**

Sheriff	246,330.00
RECAP Operations	100.00
Correctional Facility	1,969,874.00
Circuit Courts	177,678.72
911 Project Operations	20,660.00
Community RECAP/TAD	249,800.00

**Pre-Approved Encumbrance Amendments.**

**Child Support**

Vital Records	\$ 150.00
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Supervisor Brill moved approval of the above Consent Calendar for the Public Safety & Justice Committee, second by Supervisor Knudson. ADOPTED. Supervisor Brill requested an explanation of the Pre-Approved Encumbrance Amendment for Child Support and why the County pays to place the father's name on birth certificates be placed on the next agenda.

**Resolutions.**

**Authorizing Purchase of Radios and Radio Accessories for Emergency Management per State Contract.**

**“NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2010, that a purchase order be issued to Bandt Communications in the amount of \$11,622.”

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

**Authorizing Acceptance of Project Safe Neighborhoods Grant and Amending 2010 Budget**

**“NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2010, does approve and authorize the acceptance of the Project Safe Neighborhoods grant; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Chair of the Rock County Board of Supervisors is authorized to accept all funds on behalf of the County of Rock, the City of Beloit, and the City of Janesville; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Sheriff's Office budget for 2010 be amended as follows:

...”

Sheriff Spoden said the funds will be used to purchase a laptop and digital camera for use of documenting gang members, some overtime, and for community awareness on heroin and drug trafficking.

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

**Purchase of Computer Software for 911 Communications Center Back-Up Site**

“NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2010 that a contract be awarded to Motorola of Westminster, Colorado, in the amount of \$21,270, with the County Board Chair herein authorized to execute the purchase agreements.”

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

**Authorizing Purchase of Vehicles Per State of Wisconsin Contract for the Rock County Sheriff's Office**

“NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rock County Board duly assembled this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2010, that a Purchase Order be issued as follows:

\$23,669.00 to Ewald Automotive for one (1) Chevrolet Express

\$20,376.00 to Ewald Automotive for one (1) Dodge Grand Caravan

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that payment be made to the vendor upon receipt and acceptance by the Rock County Sheriff.”

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

**Semi-Annual Report.** The Committee accepted reports from Child Support, Coroner and Emergency Management and directed they be placed on file.

**Update on Countywide Communications Upgrade.** Mr. Boutwell handed out a 16-page report entitled *Countywide Communication Systems*. Mr. Sleeter went over the first eight pages of the document, which was the history of what has occurred to date.

Mr. Boutwell said page 9 is a breakdown on the uses of the funds using Option 4; page 10 is a breakdown of the sources of matching funds for Option 4; page 12 is a breakdown of the uses of funds for Option 2; and page 13 is a breakdown of the sources of matching funds for Option 2.

Supervisor Collins asked about the timeframe? Mr. Sleeter said the numbers used for the analysis are from a year +/- ago so the inventory may change when each of the agencies get back to us. The County will need to send out a detailed request to the agencies. Mr. Boutwell said the last page of the report is the timeline.

Chair Collins asked if this report had been sent to the municipalities/agencies? Mr. Boutwell replied it had been sent out before Christmas. Mr. Sleeter added that, due to the holidays, they had not heard back from many of the municipalities/agencies. He added that he

and Mr. Boutwell have told the municipalities/agencies they would be happy to meet and discuss this issue with them.

Supervisor Brill asked which budget(s) this would affect? Mr. Boutwell replied if they decide on Option 2 it would be an amendment to the 2010 budget and if the decision were to go with Option 4 they would need to come back to the County Board to hire a grant writer to apply for a number of grants, with the hope of 75% funding, and would probably be the 2011 budget. Mr. Sleeter said they have \$4,000 in their budget for 2010 for a grant writer.

**Committee Requests and Motions.** Chair Collins requested the discussion of the Countywide Communications Systems report be placed on the next agenda.

Supervisor Brill asked if work was still being done on cold cases? Sheriff Spoden replied his Office is working on a number of cases and waiting to hear back from the FBI, the lab in Texas, etc. He added that Commander Gehl, the last person left at the Sheriff's Office who worked on the Hendricks case, has been put in charge of overseeing this case.

Sheriff Spoden said he had deployed the SWAT Team to help Walworth County last week and Sheriff Graves, from Walworth County, contacted him and said they would reimburse Rock County for the gas canisters, etc. that had been used. He said the Dane, Rock and Walworth County units should be commended for the professional way they handled the situation.

**Adjournment.** Supervisor Brill moved adjournment at 4:47 P.M., second by Supervisor Wiedenfeld. ADOPTED.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Bondehagen  
Secretary II

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