

PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE COMMITTEE
Minutes – July 7, 2014

Call to Order. Chair Beaver called the meeting of the Public Safety and Justice Committee to order at 4:00 P.M. on July 7, 2014 in the EOC at the Health Care Center.

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

Committee Members Excused: None.

Staff Members Present: Commander Troy Knudson, Sheriff's Office; Dave O'Connell, Human Resources Director; Lou Smit, Chief Deputy Coroner; Jon Sutton, Deputy Coroner.

Others Present: Tony Farrell Sr., Jack Friess, Supervisor Jason Dowd.

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

Adoption of Minutes. Supervisor Wiedenfeld moved approval of the minutes of June 16, 2014 as presented, second by Supervisor Brill. ADOPTED.

Citizen Participation, Communications, Announcement, Information. None.

Consent Calendar.

Transfers and Appropriations.

911 Communications Center

| <u>FROM</u> | | <u>TO</u> | |
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| <u>Account #</u> | <u>Amount</u> | <u>Account #</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
| 23-2400-0000-62210 | \$ 4,822 | 23-2400-0000-62420 | \$ 9,822 |
| Telephone | | Machinery/Equipment R&M | |
| 23-2400-0000-67131 | 5,000 | | |
| Computer Hardware | | | |

Sheriff's Office

| <u>FROM</u> | | <u>TO</u> | |
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| <u>Account #</u> | <u>Amount</u> | <u>Account #</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
| 21-2100-0000-46205 | \$1,727.57 | 21-2100-0000-62410 | \$1,727.57 |
| Comp Loss Fixed Assets | | R&M Vehicles | |

Bills/Encumbrances

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| Sheriff | \$ 12,867.54 |
| HIDTA Grant | 2,394.00 |
| Sheriff's Vehicles | 2,668.00 |
| Correctional Facility | 16,534.12 |
| Local Emergency Planning Comm | 364.04 |
| Circuit Courts | 1,520.00 |

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| Clerk of Courts | 1,249.75 |
| 911 Project Operations | 285.00 |
| District Attorney | 107.93 |
| Coroner | 21,317.61 |
| Child Support | 619.04 |

Pre-Approved Encumbrance Amendments.

Mediation & Family Court Services

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| Family Matters-Pact, Eileen McCarten | \$ | 4,000.00 |
| Belem Gonzalez Translating Services | | 5,000.00 |
| Strategic Resolutions, LLC; Lawrence Kahn | | 6,000.00 |

Sheriff's Office

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| JP Morgan Chase Bank NA | \$ | 1,600.00 |
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Supervisor Fell 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 Knudson. ADOPTED.

Resolution.

Increase the FTE of the Investigative Assistant in the Sheriff's Office

“NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this ____ day of _____, 2014 increases the FTE of the Investigative Assistant position in the Sheriff's Office by .01 FTE in order to complete background investigations for the Youth Services Center in the Human Services Department.”

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

Update on Smithsonian Test Results. Mr. Friess handed out the Janesville Gazette article from May 28, 2014 regarding the cold case of the body of the man found near Clinton nearly 19 years ago. He explained about the stable isotope analysis the Smithsonian Institute in Washington D.C. did pro bono, the time Dr. Thomas Haas, a pathologist at Mercy Hospital donated, and the use of the autopsy suite Mercy Hospital donated. Mr. Friess, who has donated over nine months of work on this case, handed around pictures of Dr. Haas taking the bone sample that was sent to the Smithsonian.

Mr. Friess said the results from the stable isotope analysis revealed John Doe came from the WI, MN and MI area, was 17-20 years of age, and probably died in October 1994. He said the Coroner's Office will be working with the Rock County Sheriff's Office to re-work the case.

Supervisor Wiedenfeld asked if the analysis showed the cause of death. Mr. Friess said the cause of death was undetermined, there was no trauma to the bones, and there is not enough evidence to show if it was natural causes or suicide. Mr. Friess said they are maintaining the integrity of the bones in case this case turns out to be a homicide.

Supervisor Knudson thanked Mr. Friess for his efforts.

Mr. Smit said they may need to re-exhume the body.

Schedule Tours. Chair Beaver said the Jail tour has been set for August 18, 2014.

Tour of Coroner's Office. From 4:20 to 4:48 P.M. Mr. Smit took the Committee on a tour of the area he is hopes to convert into new offices, morgue and tissue donation suite.

Supervisor Knudson left at 4:40 P.M.

At 4:48 P.M. Deputy Sutton showed pictures of the morgue in the old Rock Haven and of the Coroner's van.

Mr. Smit said he will forward copies of his Capital Improvement Plan to the members of the Committee.

Adjournment. Supervisor Wiedenfeld moved adjournment at 5:02 P.M., second by Supervisor Brill. ADOPTED.

Respectfully submitted,

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