



**PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE COMMITTEE**  
**Minutes – February 4, 2019**

**Call to Order.** Chair Beaver called the meeting of the Public Safety and Justice Committee to order at 4:00 P.M. in Conference Room N-1, Fifth Floor, Courthouse East.

**Committee Members Present:** Supervisors Beaver, Owens, Fell, Knudson and Hawes (at 4:02 PM).

**Committee Members Absent:** None.

**Staff Members Present:** Josh Smith, County Administrator; Randy Terronez and Nick Osborne, Assistants to the County Administrator; Kathy Sukus, 911 Communications Center Director; Bridget Laurent, Deputy Corporation Counsel; Sheriff Troy Knudson; Belem Regan, Mediation and Family Court Manager; Victoria Hammill, Mediation and Family Court Intern.

**Others Present:** Supervisor Russ Podzilni.

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

**Citizen Participation, Communications, Announcement, Information.** Supervisor Owens passed around 2019 Senate Bill 5, to classify county jailers as protective occupation participants without a requirement that their principal duties involve active law enforcement.

**Adoption of Minutes.** Supervisor Knudson moved approval of the minutes of January 21, 2019 as presented, second by Supervisor Fell. ADOPTED.

**Consent Calendar.**

**Transfers** None.

**Review of Payments** The Committee accepted the reports.

**Resolutions.**

**Authorization for Radio System Upgrade and Simulcast**

“NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_; 2019 that a contract be awarded to General Communications, Inc. of Madison, Wisconsin, in the amount of \$673,390.99 to coordinate and implement this project.”

Supervisor Owens moved approval of the above resolution, second by Supervisor Fell. ADOPTED.

**Authorizing Acceptance of Anti-Heroin Task Force Grant**

“NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rock County Board of Supervisors assembled this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2019, that the Rock County Sheriff is authorized to accept funds under the Anti-Heroin Task Force Grant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the 2019 budget be amended as follows:

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

**Eliminating 3 Sergeant Positions and Adding 4 Correctional Supervisor Positions**

“NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2019, eliminate the three (3) Sergeant positions and add four (4) Correctional Supervisor positions.”

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

Sheriff Knudson explained, with the retirement of three Sergeants, he and his staff discussed the best way to bring more supervision, better leadership, and open more career paths for the Correctional Officers. He said they feel this will be a good thing for the Jail.

Supervisor Knudson said he heard from a number of staff and they feel this will be good and will also boost morale.

ADOPTED.

**Updates and Committee Action.**

**Review and Possible Approval of Staffing Agreement for Operation of the Rock County Jail** Sheriff Knudson said this is a requirement and done on a yearly basis. There are no changes from last year.

Supervisor Knudson moved approval of the Staffing Agreement for Operation of the Rock County Jail, second by Supervisor Fell. ADOPTED.

**Committee Requests and Motions.** Supervisor Knudson asked about the tour of the Jail. Ms. Bondehagen will contact Commander Strouse and set up a time this spring.

**Adjournment.** Supervisor Hawes moved adjournment at 4:12 P.M., second by Supervisor Knudson. ADOPTED.

Respectfully submitted,

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