



PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE COMMITTEE
Minutes – October 19, 2020

Call to Order. Chair Beaver called the meeting of the Public Safety and Justice Committee to order at 5:00 P.M. via teleconference.

Committee Members Present via Phone/Video: Supervisors Beaver, Bomkamp, Taylor and Rynes.

Committee Members Absent: Supervisor Knudson.

Staff Members Present via Phone/Video: Josh Smith, County Administrator; Randy Terronez, Assistant to the County Administrator; Terri Carlson, Risk Manager; Commander Jude Maurer, Sheriff's Office; Kathy Sukus., 911 Communications Center; Melissa Wittwer, Child Support Director; David O'Leary, District Attorney; Jenny Stanek, DA Office Manager; Michelle Wilson, Financial Office Manager; Barry Irmen, ME Office – Director of Operations; Sue Eskola, ME Office – Deputy Director of Operations.

Others Present. Supervisor Bostwick.

Adoption of Agenda. Supervisor Rynes moved approval of the agenda as presented, second by Supervisor Bomkamp. ADOPTED.

Approval of Minutes – October 5, 2020. Supervisor Bomkamp moved approval of the minutes of October 5, 2020 as presented, second by Supervisor Rynes. ADOPTED.

Public Comment. None.

Consent Calendar.

Transfers None.

Resolutions and Committee Approval.

Authorizing Acceptance of 2021 Highway Safety Grant

“NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rock County Board of Supervisors assembled this ____ day of _____, 2020, that the Rock County Sheriff is authorized to accept funds under the Highway Safety Grant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the 2020 budget be amended as follows:

...”

Supervisor Bomkamp moved approval of the above resolution, second by Supervisor Taylor. ADOPTED.

Review and Discussion of 2021 Recommended Budget

Sheriff Commander Maurer said it was a pretty lean budget for 2021.

Commander Maurer went over the highlights of the Law Enforcement Services such as the portable radio replacement, vehicle video recorders, and the selling and replacement of the Boston Whaler boat. He added that there is a misprint in the budget document as it is listed as the airboat instead of the Boston Whaler.

Mr. Smith went over the highlights of the Correctional Services such as electronic monitoring bracelets, and the cost of medical services.

Circuit Court Mr. Smith said there are some increases and some decreases in revenue, investment interest going down due to lower interest rates, and two personnel requests that were not recommended.

911 Communications Center Ms. Sukus said the budget for 2021 is mainly made up of radios and personnel. She went over the highlights explaining the MASTR III equipment replacement, and the personnel changes due to such a high volume of staff turnover and to provide a continuity of highly valuable knowledge of 911 emergency communications.

District Attorney Mr. O'Leary said his is mainly a cost to continue budget.

Medical Examiner Mr. Smith said the cremation fee is recommended to be increased by \$5. Chair Beaver asked where the ME Office will be moving to when they vacate the Health Care Center. Mr. Smith said the plan is to move them to where the Council on Aging is now. Chair Beaver asked about the cooler. Mr. Smith said it will remain where it currently is.

Child Support Ms. Wittwer said the budget is pretty much status quo other than two reclassifications and the re-titling of three positions.

EBDM Mr. Smith said the programs and budget are the same as 2020.

Committee Requests and Motions.

Discussion and Possible Action on Meeting Time and Date Chair Beaver said she had been approached by a member of the County Board Staff Committee with a request to change when the Public Safety and Justice Committee meets. She said there are three options: 1) move the meeting to a different Monday each month; 2) move the meetings to Tuesday; or 3) to keep the meetings as they are now. Chair Beaver said the County Board Staff Committee would like to meet on the Monday prior to the County Board meetings.

The Committee discussed these options.

Supervisor Rynes moved to change the Public and Safety and Justice Committee meeting to the Monday after the regular County Board meetings if the County Board Staff Committee makes a change to their meetings, second by Supervisor Bomkamp. ADOPTED.

Adjournment. Supervisor Bomkamp moved adjournment at 5:33 P.M., second by Supervisor Rynes. ADOPTED.

Respectfully submitted,

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