

Minutes of Winnebago County Public Safety Commission

Meeting date: Nov 9, 2017

Call to order: A regular business meeting of the Winnebago County Public Safety Commission was held at the Winnebago County Public Safety Center in Forest City. The meeting convened at 4:24 p.m. Chairman Andy Buffington presiding and Jennifer Ackerman Secretary.

Members in attendance: Terry Durby – representing Winnebago County, Candy Hanna - representing Lake Mills, Carla Langfald – representing Scarville, Phil Benn– representing Rake, Troy Armstrong – representing Buffalo Center.

Members not in attendance: Representative of Forest City, Thompson and Leland.

Approval of minutes: Mr. Buffington requested a motion be made to approve the agenda and minutes of the last regular business meeting of the Commission on July 24, 2017. Mr. Durby made a motion, Mr. Armstrong offered a second. All voted aye, motion carried.

Jail Matters: Mr. Buffington gave an update on how things are going with the jail and dispatch since the move and advised Jail Administrator Rick Caldwell said things were going better than he expected. Mr. Buffington advised the Sheriff’s Department is getting close to the staffing levels that were written in the agreement that was signed in August between the Sheriff’s Department and the Commission.

Current Budget: Ms. Ackerman advised the Communications budget is already falling short on some line items due to the IT Contracts that were not budgeted for and the radio shack that was moved in to house the radio equipment at the base of the tower behind to old Law Enforcement Center. She predicts the shortfall for the year will be approximately \$10,000. Mr. Durby asked if there were any way to avoid a budget amendment that would increase expenditures, if the money could come from another source. Mr. Buffington advised the Commission has been funding the Infrastructure Fund for future projects; there could be a budget amendment to use that money, which currently sits at approximately \$40,000. Everyone seemed to agree this would be the best course to keep expenditures down.

Budget 2018/2019: Ms. Ackerman handed out the preliminary budget for next fiscal year. No action needs to be taken at this time.

Other business: There was no other business.

Adjournment: Mr. Armstrong made a motion to adjourn, Ms. Hanna offered a second. All voted aye, meeting adjourned at 4:52 p.m.

Jennifer Ackerman

1/25/2018

Secretary
Winnebago County Public Safety Commission

Date of Approval