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Chuck Jensen called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday September 20, 2016 in the Compass Conference Room of the Jackson County Courthouse. Members present were Jeff Amo, Ray Ransom, Ron Carney & Michelle Greendeer-Rave. Also present Sheriff Waldera and Chief Deputy Moan Kyle Deno and Diane Peterson

Previous Minute Approval

Motion by Amo, 2nd by Ray Carney to approve minutes from the August 16th and September 1st meeting. All in favor; motion carried.

Agenda Revisions

Nothing discussed.

Next Meeting Date/Time

Tuesday October 18th 9:30 a.m.

Animal Shelter Citizen Complaint

Funds available to help build a fence/retaining wall to help muffle the sound. What was there 1st, the shelter or the homes? The shelter was there first. Can't be shut down because homes are built in the area after the shelter was built. The humane society has been working to raise funds but do we want to tax the taxpayers to cover the cost of the shelter. The shelter is county owned but on city property. Noise ordinances are time specific. Are the dogs inside during the evening? Pretty sure they are inside in the evening but if new dogs are brought in, the others get excited and bark. Have panels been put in to soften the sound? Some things have been done but not certain to what extent. Are the plans far enough along that the wall could be put in now and not jeopardize the building later? Not sure but would think they would need to excavate and move land. Current shelter does not have the best ventilation system and no air conditioning so the dogs need to be outside. Is there any estimate as to when the shelter will be remodeled? Are we looking at 10 years, 15 years, sooner? Project is approximately \$500,000. Believe they may have raised around \$100,000. It is not the humane society's building but they want to help out as much as possible. There have been some significant donors but would still need more generous donors to fund the whole balance. There are many animals there. 66 cats and around 20 dogs but we don't charge a pet surrender fee where other shelters do. Vernon County allows families to foster pets. Jackson County does foster some out. The new shelter will be in the same location and residents know that. The location is a very good place for volunteer involvement. Will it mitigate as we get colder weather? October may get worse with barking and complaints. Is there a way to control entrance to the lot during "quiet" hours? May be a good time to find out what funds have been raised and bring it back to figure out what we need to do in order to get the new shelter underway. Sheriff will send an email to Corp Counsel and have them draft a letter in response to this matter.

Divisional Reports

Written reports submitted. Jail was at peak capacity in August. There were 3 death related cases in August. Suicides and drug related. Traffic there was a substantial drop in traffic stops. There were not as many traffic grant details that took place. Grant cycle runs October 1st – September 30th so it is coming to an end for 2016. Will get notice for future grants for 2017 but funding seems to be reducing. Some of the grants need to be joint efforts between other agencies but some agencies are not interested in doing that so it is difficult to put them together. City has been working the seat belt grant with the County. Public law 280 HCNPDP Chief in opinion of Greendeer-Rave more presence of law enforcement is always a better option. Why isn't there cross jurisdiction between HCNPDP and Jackson County? That would allow for more coverage and faster response to certain areas. Sheriff Waldera responded that over the years the State of Wisconsin has changed the way things can be done. When law enforcement is deputized outside of being a county employee but the County becomes liable. Not that he disagrees with having other agencies deputized but when you do that, you don't have control over how they were trained, how they will follow policies, etc when not a county employee. The county does not need mutual aid to work within the City but the City needs jurisdiction to work outside the city limits. Same with the HCNPDP. When mutual aid is used the agency requesting mutual aid is liable for anything that happens. Mutual aid is a very good thing to have. Mutual aid statute provides guidelines so there are not many law enforcement contracts that are used for mutual aid.



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Staff vacancies and Recruitment Updates

Authorization to fill upcoming vacancy for FTE Corrections Officer – FTE Officer Konkol has accepted position with State Patrol and is vacant Sept 27th. Jail is gender specific. Will need to figure out if it needs to be filled with male or female. We have LTE staff eligible for hire in both male and female. Have two female and two male LTEs on staff for jail. Motion by Ransom 2nd by Carney to fill upcoming vacancy in jail with current LTE/internal posting. All in favor; motion carried.

Communications: believe they are full staff but may need to look at availability of one of the LTEs based on new full time work schedule.

Patrol is full staffed for LTEs currently but may have one going full time to another agency.

Bailiff needs to have language change to chapter 4 regarding appointment of bailiff staff.

Compstat Dashboard Update

No confirmation as to if we have \$15000 from the TAD grant. The newspaper reported that out of 46 agencies there were 3 that were not awarded funds which included Jackson County, Monroe County and HCN.

Vouchers Payable

Barron County charge was to dispose of drugs. The 10 Body cameras were paid for using the money from the County Mutual award that Sgt Mazur had won. It is a law enforcement shooting competition by AGIS. We do have a policy on usage written using the State recommended guidelines and Lexipol recommendations. Dive van costs we are obligated to cover the maintenance on that. It is an old ambulance. Motion by Amo 2nd by Carney to approve vouchers. All in favor; motion carried.

Met with RACOM as to if we need a new microwave dish. They did shut off the cameras live feed that may have been using too much bandwidth. The issue has been greatly reduced since it was turned off. We don't have any spares. Will have better information for the next meeting.

2016 Budget Report

Budget is on track for 2016.

CLOSED SESSION

The committee will convene into closed session for the discussion of employee related matters pursuant to section WSS 19.85(1)(c)(g) employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility; conferring with legal counsel regarding strategy to be adopted by the LEC with respect to litigation in which the County is likely to become involved regarding lease termination.

Motion by Carney, 2nd by Ransom to enter closed session pursuant to WSS 19.85(1)(c)(g). Roll Call – All answer Yes at 10:40 a.m. Motion to return to open session at 11:07 by Amo 2nd by Greendeer-Rave Roll call all answer yes.

- Snow Creek Tower – no action taken
- 6 Month Evaluations – no action taken
- Motion to return to open session pursuant to sec 19.85(2) by Ransom 2nd by Carney Roll Call all answer yes at 11:07 a.m.

Motion to Adjourn

Motion by Carney 2nd by Ransom to adjourn at 11.08 All in Favor; Motion carried.