

Sept 26, 2012 9 a.m. – Law Enforcement Committee – Compass Conference Rm

- A. Called to order at __9__:__00__. Present were Jeff Amo, Ron Carney, Marge Rewald, Ray Ransom, Sheriff Waldera, Chief Deputy Moan, Steve Pott – PSC Alliance, John Ross, Captain Ring, Paul Millis.
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- A. Call to Order – 9:02
- B. Approve minutes from previous meeting & special meeting agenda – motion by Amo, 2nd Ransom. All in favor, motion carried.
- C. Agenda Revisions- Paul Millis general instruction of what may take place in hearing.
- D. Hearing Info: - copy of complaint will be received at hearing. Ground rules for hearing. Respondent will have opportunity to give opening statement/ attorney for SO also statement. Then witnesses will be called and questioned for both sides. Cross examination/ rebuttal by respondent. Opportunity to give closing statements. After all is done committee will determine what if any discipline will be imposed. SO will have their recommendation but Committee is not bound by it. Committee has discretion to determine outcome. Are deliberations closed without respondent? Typically deliberation is open with respondent present. Possible to go into closed session. Atty Millis will look into the statutes regarding closed session of deliberation. Rules of evidence that apply in court matters do not apply in this testimony.
- E. Set next meeting/date time – October 29th 9:00 a.m.
- F. Chief Deputy Report – written receivables submitted. Closing up on traffic grants. They end the end of Sept. This year 3 grants for a total of \$60,000 allows \$10,000 equipment. Need one more in car camera so complete patrol squad fleet have cameras. Looking at upgrading radar units. Speedwave, OWI & Click It each are \$20,000. Specific areas that they can be enforced in. Can go North of BRF all the way to Millston. If not enough deputies to fulfill hours needed we would get paid less. Have to have \$5,000 in kind match for each grant in order to receive the grant. Includes mileage, hours etc. LTE's can not be used for the grants. Only full time officers at overtime rate to work the detail. New grant year starts Oct. 1st with enforcement timeframe beginning later in October. Starting to get deputies back to full staff. Decided to cancel training that is not mandatory for the time being. Hope to be back to full staff by the 1st of the year. Waiting on Aug & Sept reimbursement but all others have been received.
- G. Emergency Management/Comm Division Report – written report submitted. 2nd half Plan of work. There was a training class that was not set up but is clearly noted in the report. There should be no reason to not get full reimbursement. All the applications are completed to as far as they can be at this point. Financials will need to be amended when new EMC is hired.
- o 911 Equipment Upgrade – Equipment replacement in dispatch is recommended every 5 years ours is 7 ½ years old. Existing platform equipment is becoming obsolete. Centurylink has asked if we want to upgrade to the Next Gen platform. Ross does not think we need to go that route just yet but would suggest refreshing the equipment at this time by doing a simple refresh which would be about \$19,000. La Crosse and Monroe are looking at doing a refresh right now as well. Next Gen probably won't be needed for another 3 years. Not sure if this would be appropriate for Intergovernmental Funds. Currently not on any maintenance plan so Centurylink is not obligated to find replacement equipment if something stops working. Radio Project 4th channel needs a change order to process. Amo will have Eberhardt sign it this afternoon.
 - o Steve Pott – the bid due date has been extended to Friday 9/28. Meeting tentative for Monday 10/1 to review bids. Dairyland Power had offered a no cost lease at their site, we provide shelter and generator to share with them. They would like to put in their own generator so we were able to cancel a generator. Building has been canceled as well and we will be able to use Dairyland shelter & generator. There will be no room to expand. Foreseen expansion over the next 10 years or so is very slim. We will have access to building and ability to alarm reporting. Draft lease for Dairyland. Cty Rd A Tower would be used by Dairyland as well in return for no lease. Tower is about 80 feet with no guidewires. Main improvements will be electrical circuits, roof & door for the building. No need for a generator but could look at down the road possibly using the generator from Franklin if needed. Propane tanks discussed with Federation Coop. initially was told that we would not be charged for propane tanks then latest email said we may need to be charged for the tanks. Pricing is \$700 for used and \$1200 for new 500 gal tanks. 250 tanks may be usable. Schedule – realization of getting this done by the end of the year will be tough. Tait has a plan in case not done by end of year. They could install narrowband on existing channels but would require programming on every portable in the county. Will apply to FCC for waiver and have looked into other waivers that have been granted and we believe we meet many of the “criteria” that have been used in the FCC granting the waiver to others. US Cellular & Verizon are still plotting through their procedures. Could be 3 months for McKenna road. US Cellular is at \$500 for County Rd A & Castle Hill and Northfield can not be \$300. All are per month fees. Shelters are in process, generators are ordered.

Working on getting onto the Air Guard Tower. Knapp site is still up in the air. Randy Anderson stated it would cost us about \$850 to \$900 for our highway dept to transport the shelter to us. Shelter goes to Taylor. We may be able to have one of the local companies haul it back such as Lunda, Millis or Hoffman. Committee recommends filing for the Waiver. Microwave antennas can be stored at Forestry & Parks.

- Monday at 11:00 bid review.
 - Bid opening Friday at 1:00 no agenda needed.
- H. Retain John Ross as Radio Communication Project Coordinator – How much time is needed. John is thinking 8-10 hours a week which would be on a high end. Steve Pott & Jeff Nelson have discussed in depth and would like to have continuity but understand the business sense. Current contract with PSC does state that we have a project manager at the County. What type of responsibilities would be needed by John. PSC thinks it would be mostly coordinating of scheduling, reconfiguring of dispatch, A lot of it would be over the phone or able to be completed while off site at other location. By the time it goes through proper committee process it could be a month before he would be able to do. Agreement with Clark County is that he will be able to commit time to project as long as it is understood that if Clark County needs him. John would need to update Chief/Jackson County of everything that he works on so that we are informed. Motion by Amo to retain John Ross as an independent contractor for the radio communication project on a per hour basis at current rate of pay per hour. 2nd by Ransom. All in favor; motion carried.
- I. Corrections Report – written report submitted.
- J. Detective Report – written report submitted
- K. Patrol Report – written report submitted Received a referral from Hwy regarding an encroachment issue where farmers are using Hwy land to access their farmland. Sometimes counties do enter into an agreement where the land owners can use the access. Sheriff and Hwy have agreed to a meeting with the land owner to discuss. Hwy does not really disagree with the usage because they are keeping it clear. There needs to be some compromise on this and there are likely several other area farmers that are doing the same. Trinity Farms is farming to the old right of way of 33 feet but has been switched to 88 feet. SO will send the case to the DA's office.
- L. Staff Vacancies - Request to fill vacancy for EM Coordinator – fill as is 70% EM and 30% Dispatch. The supervisory aspect of Dispatch is a concern with the next person is hired. Management of people skills is very important. Motion by Amo 2nd by Rewald all in favor motion carried.
- M. Vouchers Payable – Motion by Ransom 2nd by Rewald to approve vouchers all in favor motion carried.
- N. 2012 Budget – we have saved a lot of money by using Forestry & Parks as set up.
- O. CLOSED SESSION – Enter closed session at 11:10 a.m. by Carney 2nd by rewald.
- The committee will convene into closed session for the discussion of employee related matters pursuant to section WSS 19.85(1)(b)(c)(e) To consider employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility; to consider dismissal, demotion, licensing or discipline of any public employee licensed by a board or commission or the investigation of charges against such person(s).
 - Probationary Employee Evaluations
 - Union Employee Update(s)
- P. Motion to Adjourn