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Call to Order

Chairman Chuck Jensen called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, November 16, 2023 in the County Board Room of the Jackson County Courthouse All committee members present. Also Present Sheriff Waldera, Chief Deputy Olson, Patrol Captain Nicholas Gray, County Board Chair Jeff Amo, Jail Captain Rich, Facilities Manager Rick Poff EM Coordinator Jack Workman and County Clerk Cindy Altman.

Agenda Revisions

Set Next Meeting Date & Time

December 21, 2023 10:00 a.m.

Approve minutes previous meeting(s)

Motion by Rolbiecki 2nd by Laurent to approve minutes. All in favor; motion carried.

Approval of Emergency Management Grant Mitigation Plan

As presented. Motion by Carney; 2nd by Rolbiecki to approve. All in favor; motion carried.

Divisional Reports

Written reports submitted.

IT: Still having issues with IAMResponding. Still working on resolving with vendors to get corrected. Tower inspection is completed. Waiting on the final report to review and discuss possible solutions.

Patrol: Had a meeting with Village of Merrilan regarding the Village Deputy Contract. Have been asked to look at restructuring the cost share from 50% to 25% for Merrilan. County would increase to 37.5% which is about \$34,560 for 2024. Recommended to have a one year side year agreement to existing contract. Would have the deputy work the rec program to submit for DNR reimbursement. Will look at future reporting to capture NRT quantities as well.

EM Report: Sheltering exercise was completed. Is that sufficient or will there be additional training. At this time there are no further exercises planned due to scheduling conflicts with the fire departments.

Investigations: Investigations for October just about tripled. Milwaukee Journal Sentinel report shows that Jackson County is #3 per capita for gun related deaths including suicides and #6 for non-suicide gun related deaths. That puts right up there with Milwaukee. Are the increased cases manageable. Yes because the cases are triaged and possibly reassigned for initial review.

There was a community health needs assessment completed by DHS. Perhaps that should be presented to the full County Board.

Discuss/Act Strategic Planning/Building Needs

Follow up review from previous meeting is still being compiled. Will be brought back at December meeting. Also met with HCN regarding possible funding. They will look into it but also would like to see improved programming. Amo has been in contact with WCA regarding possible funding from future grants. Will be working on that for 2025 funding. Currently Samuels Group is the firm for the jail study and communications plan authorized by resolution to complete but future phases would need to be put out for bid in order to move



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forward. Check with Samuels Group to find out if there is specific language, we had signed agreements to perform jail study and communications plan.

Staff Vacancies & Recruitment Updates

Resignation in of FT Corrections officer in jail. All other areas are full staffed for full time. Still working on LTE staffing.

Vouchers Payable

Voucher for \$10,000 for K9 Oaklee was offset with \$7,500 grant. Motion by Hart 2nd by Laurent to approve vouchers. All in favor; motion carried.

2023 Budget

Overall budget is on track. Our budget may support some of the payouts at end of year. Possibility of transferring a transport van to medical examiner? Will look into options.

Closed Session

Motion to enter closed session at 11:04 a.m. by Laurent 2nd by Rolbiecki. All answer yes.

- a. The committee will convene into closed session for the discussion of employee related matters pursuant to Wis. Stat. s. 19.85(1)(b) 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)

Motion by Rolbiecki 2nd by Laurent to return to open session at 11:25. All in favor; motion carried.

Motion to Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by Rolbiecki 2nd by Laurent at 11:25. All in favor; motion carried.