

Green County Law Enforcement Committee
Meeting Minutes from October 11, 2022

Members Present:

Richard Thoman, Chairperson
Joe Snow, Vice-Chairperson
Mark Gundlach
David Tschudy
Isaiah Carlson

Non-members Present:

Dana Weber-Recording Secretary
Sheriff Jeffrey Skatrud
Chief Deputy Thomas Moczynski
EMG Director Tanna McKeon

1. Verified that door is unlocked-Social distancing exercised.
2. Meeting called to order @ 5:00 p.m. by Chairman Richard Thoman.
3. **Approve minutes of previous regular meeting:** Motion to approve minutes of the previous meeting by Mark Gundlach; 2nd by Joe Snow. Motion carried.
4. **Review Emergency Management updates:** Emergency Management (EMG) Director Tanna McKeon advised the committee that the EMPH and EPCRA grants have been released and are due at the end of the month. EMG Director McKeon updated the committee on the training and exercises that her department has attended, planned and have upcoming in the near future. She indicated that the ICS 300 class will be in November and ICS 400 classes will be on April 3-4, 2023. EMG Director McKeon advised that all offsite plans have been completed for this year and there will be 11 to do in 2023.

EMG Director McKeon indicated that FEMA awarded a \$14,515.00 grant for the County Wide All Hazards Mitigation Plan to be updated and she advised that the draft is ready to be submitted to Wisconsin Emergency Management for their review.

EMG Director McKeon advised that the Green County Highway department has completed removing debris and it has been backfilled. EMG Director McKeon is waiting for the final invoices and then WEM will have to inspect the site.

EMG Director McKeon indicated that the department is working on replacing the mobile command unit and they are touring other counties units and looking at various funding for the project.
5. **Review and updates on radio system:** Chief Thomas Moczynski advised that the project is being finalized and there are a few minor tasks that need to be completed.
6. **Training requests:** None at this time.
7. **Review jail population and jail medical issues:** Sheriff Skatrud discussed the state of the department. The jail housed an average of 35 inmates for September and there are 15 on the bracelet system today. Sheriff Skatrud indicated that today there are 8-9 females in Iowa County and it fluctuates daily. Sheriff Skatrud advised that there was 1 inmate hospitalized over the Labor-day holiday that needed to be guarded and he has since been released to the prison system. Sheriff Skatrud advised that department has hired a male jailer and he started yesterday and there is a female jailer starting next week Monday. Sheriff Skatrud advised that backgrounds are ongoing on other applicants and a dispatcher will move to the jail at the end of the month.

8. Review and approve public safety and department updates: Sheriff Skatrud advised that the department just promoted Deputy Maresch to sergeant. Sheriff Skatrud advised that the patrol staff is short patrol deputies and is having a hard time finding qualified applicants, so hopefully sending 4 to the academy in January. Sheriff Skatrud advised that Rock and Dane county are currently doing backgrounds on 4 of our deputies and we may have a retirement in December. Sheriff Skatrud indicated that hiring process is ongoing for jail, dispatch and patrol.

9. Discussion and possible approval of grant to upgrade 911 system for dispatch center: Sheriff Skatrud went over the proposed replacement 911 system. Sheriff Skatrud indicated that the current system is near end of life and needs to be upgraded. Sheriff Skatrud stated that TDS Telecom needs to update equipment at a cost of \$56,000.00, which is unnegotiable, along with the AT&T portion, which includes the Emergency Medical Dispatching(EMD), and comes in at a cost of approximately \$350,000.00. Sheriff Skatrud indicated that this is the 911 system for the county and the department is looking at a WI Department of Military Affairs Grant and the grant is due next week. The department would like to try to get this grant so the system can be updated and fixed next year.

Dave Tschudy made a motion to support the grant application process for the 911 system with the EMD dispatching for a cost of approximately \$350,000.00; 2nd by Isaiah Carlson. Motion Carried.

10. Review monthly budget: Sheriff Skatrud advised that the department has spent about 70% of the budget thus far this year and the department is currently on track.

11. Audit bills: The department bills were reviewed and signed. A motion was made by Mark Gundlach and seconded by Joe Snow to approve the bills. Motion carried.

12. Next meeting: Next meeting date is tentatively scheduled for November 9 at 5:00 p.m. Joe Snow moved to adjourn and David Tschudy seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:41 p.m. by Chairman Thoman.

Submitted by Dana Weber