

PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE COMMITTEE
January 18, 2010

Call to Order. Chair Collins called the meeting of the Public Safety and Justice Committee to order at 4:00 P.M. on January 18, 2010 in Conference Room N-1 on the fifth floor of the Rock County Courthouse-East.

Committee Members Present: Supervisors Collins, Beaver, Brill, Knudson and Wiedenfeld (arrived at 4:01 P.M.).

Committee Members Excused: None.

Staff Members Present: Dave Sleeter, 911 Communications Center Director; Chief Deputy Barb Tillman; Captain Erik Chellevoid; Diane Michaelis, Finance Office Manager, Sheriff's Office; Elizabeth Pohlman McQuillen, Criminal Justice System Planner/Analyst; Shirley Connors, Emergency Management Coordinator; Joshua Smith and Phil Boutwell, Assistants to the County Administrator; Kris Baker Ellis, Child Support Director; Rita Costrini Norgal, Director of Mediation and Family Court Services; Jenifer Keach, Coroner.

Others Present: J. Russell Podzilni, County Board Chair; Kay Deupree, League of Women Voters.

Adoption of Agenda. Supervisor Knudson moved approval of the agenda as presented, second by Supervisor Brill. ADOPTED.

Adoption of the Minutes. Supervisor Wiedenfeld moved approval of the minutes of January 4, 2010 as presented, second by Supervisor Knudson. ADOPTED.

Citizen Participation, Communications, Announcements, Information. None.

Consent Calendar.

Transfers and Appropriations. None.

Bills/Encumbrances.

2009

Sheriff	\$ 10,782.31
Correctional Facility	125,331.34
Circuit Courts	1,743.82
911 Project Operations	16,780.59
District Attorney	1,292.15
Victim Witness	1,652.00
Coroner	10,914.80
Child Support	177.73
2009 JAG Rec. Act.	2,504.65
TRACS Grant	900.00
Law Enforcement Tech. Grant	11,378.91

2010

Child Support	43.00
Coroner	225.00
Emergency Management	20.00
911 Project Operations	38,725.56
Mediation & Family Court Services	16,000.00
Sheriff	788.50

Pre-Approved Encumbrance Amendments.

Sheriff's Office

Cintas Corp.	\$ 1,076.00
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Supervisor Knudson moved approval of the above Consent Calendar for the Public Safety & Justice Committee, second by Supervisor Brill. ADOPTED.

Supervisor Brill said at the last meeting he had asked about the County paying to have fathers' names put on birth certificates. He received a call from Ms. Baker Ellis explaining that this is court ordered. She added they receive 66% federal funding to cover this cost, which they pay back after the mother or father pays them.

Resolutions.

Purchase of Electrical Surge Protection Equipment for the 911 Communications Center.

“NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this _____ day of _____, 2010 that a contract be awarded to Academy Service Group of Madison, Wisconsin in the amount of \$22,700.48, with the County Board Chairman herein authorized to execute the purchase agreement.”

Supervisor Brill moved approval of the above resolution, second by Supervisor Beaver. ADOPTED.

Authorizing Funding to Pay for Electronic Monitoring and Inmate Medical Costs.

“NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this _____ day of _____, 2010, that the 2009 budget be amended as follows:

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Supervisor Wiedenfeld moved approval of the above resolution, second by Supervisor Brill. ADOPTED.

Awarding Contract for Construction of Sheriff's Office Vehicle Storage Building.

“NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this _____ day of _____, 2010 does

hereby award a contract for construction of the Sheriff's Office vehicle storage building to the lowest qualified bidder, Corporate Contractors, Inc., of Beloit, Wisconsin, in the amount of \$230,755."

Supervisor Brill moved approval of the above resolution, second by Supervisor Knudson. ADOPTED.

Approval of Additional Data Connections at the Communications Center Back-Up Site.

Supervisor Wiedenfeld moved approval of the above request, second by Supervisor Brill.

Mr. Sleeter said there was a misunderstanding in the number of data connections needed at the Town of Beloit Communications Center Back-up Site. We are approximately \$11,600 under budget for this project at this time and we need \$2,921.40 for the additional needed data connections. ADOPTED.

Semi-Annual Report. The Committee accepted reports from the 911 Communications Center, Clerk of Courts, Mediation and Family Court Services and the Sheriff's Office and directed they be placed on file.

2009 Activity Report – Mediation and Family Court. Ms. Costrini-Norgal went over the report and answered questions.

Countywide Communications Upgrade. Mr. Boutwell informed the Committee he and Mr. Sleeter are continuing to meet with different groups. They also met with Sheriff Spoden for about an hour before he left for Washington D.C., where he will be meeting on this issue with staff at the White House.

Mr. Sleeter said he feels it is important to move quickly to get a grant writer. The Cities of Janesville and Beloit are on board with this and they need to form a consensus of all the other entities. Mr. Boutwell added he does not anticipate any problems as everyone seems to understand this is something they are required to do. He added they have not heard anything negative. They have all known this is coming for the past 18 – 24 months. A letter writing campaign to our legislative delegation is the next step.

Mr. Sleeter said if the public works departments, transit systems, etc. do not want to be part of this they do not need to, but it would be in their best interest to get on board, especially if they would like to get any grant funding.

Supervisor Beaver asked what it would take to knock out this system? Mr. Sleeter replied this is a UHF/VHF system and they still have Simplex. There are also stand-by towers, and if all else fails we go to ham radios. Mr. Boutwell said he has confidence in what we have.

Ms. Keach asked if someone opted out at this time, would they be able to come in later? Mr. Sleeter replied they would be able to, however, they would do it on their own and most likely not receive any grant funding.

Committee Requests and Motions. Supervisor Wiedenfeld asked when the back-up site in the Town of Beloit would be open and ready to hold a meeting there? Mr. Sleeter said it would be after March before it would be ready.

Chair Collins asked Ms. Keach to get in touch with Ms. Bondehagen to see when it would be a good time to meet at the Coroner's office.

Adjournment. Supervisor Brill moved adjournment at 4:50 P.M., second by Supervisor Beaver. ADOPTED.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Bondehagen
Secretary II

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