

**MINUTES**  
**Law Enforcement/Emergency Management Committee**  
March 7, 2012

Members Present: Rob Reichwein, Dick Miller, John Aasen,

Also Present: Dan Schreiner, Sheriff Richard Anderson, Lt. Tonya Niederkorn, Chief Deputy Brian Puent, Dave Steinhoff, Jami Kabus, Randy Jensen, Steven Doerr, Paul Loesel

Meeting called to order at 3:37 pm by Reichwein stating proper posting and notification has met open meeting requirements. Motion made by Miller and seconded by Aasen to approve the agenda as posted. Motion carried 3 to 0.

Motion by Aasen and seconded by Miller to accept the February 8, 2012 meeting minutes as submitted. Motion carried 3 to 0.

Emergency Management Update – General

**Resolution Adopting Multi-Hazards mitigation Plan 2012 – 2016**

Motion by Aasen and seconded by Miller. Motion carried 3 to 0.

**Communication Project Update**

Strum Tower Generator: Information regarding negotiation

**Karlstad Tower** – Payment of back Rent and Dismantle: Dean Karlstad spoke with Sheriff Anderson and Highway Commissioner. They agreed on a payment for back rent of \$4,800 through 2-12-12 plus \$150 per month after that. Motion made by Miller and seconded by Aasen to pay \$4950 from bond and \$150 per month until the department is off the tower. Motion carried 3 to 0.

Motion by Miller and seconded by Aasen to pay \$196,540.90 (communication project invoice dated 03.15.2012) to CSI from bond. Motion by Reichwein, second by Miller to accept CSI's proposal to exchange the proposed control station equipment for Motorola control station equipment at no additional cost to the county. Motion carried 3 to 0.

**Detective/Admin – Pay Start/End Time**

No discussion as Dave Suchla was the member requesting for it to be on the Agenda, and was not present.

**Office Fiscal Manager Personnel Requisition**

Michele Karlstad resigned and her last day is Friday. Jamie Kabus advised the requisition for the position is the same as the previous one. Sheriff Anderson advised the

position will be advertised again. Motion made by Miller and seconded by Aasen to hire an Office/Fiscal manager. Motion carried 3 to 0.

### **Vehicle Purchase**

Sheriff Anderson he would like to trade in the Emergency Management's veh. (Dan Schreiner's) 2005 Crown Vic and 2006 Crown Vic training car to purchase a more economical vehicle. These vehicles have over 100,000 miles each. The Sheriff received quotes from a Chevrolet and Ford dealership. The cost is \$27,750 minus discounts and concessions of \$5884, minus trade in allowance of \$11,750, leaving a net cost of \$10,091. The Ford Taurus is \$30 less than the Chevrolet Impala. The new vehicle will not have the cruiser packet and anticipated to get 22 to 24 mpg. The vehicle will be multi-use for Dan Schreiner and training. The Sheriff has money in the budget to cover the cost. Motion by Miller and seconded by Reichwein to move forward with the purchase of the vehicle. Motion carried 3 to 0.

### **Discussion of Monthly Issues and Concerns in the Jail**

**Gate/Control Panel:** Sheriff Anderson explained the ongoing repair issues with the jail gates, electrical and security system. All of the \$57,500 jail's non-lapsing account has been spent. The Sheriff's Department has money available in the 2011 budget and placed \$50,000 of that into the non-lapsing account with Rob Reichwein's approval. The Sheriff still has monies that will be going back into the general fund. The non-lapsing account is designated only for jail repairs and the Sheriff will have control over the \$50,000. Sheriff Anderson advised the jail's security system is old and needs updating. Lt. Niederkorn and the Jail Supervisors have received a quote from SGTS and are trying to obtain other quotes. Currently, the security gate does not work. The software for the security system needs to be upgraded every 5-6 years. The monies needed to be transferred by March and Reichwein agree with the Sheriff to approve the transfer of funds.

**Jail Repair Update:** Sheriff Anderson advised more office space is needed in the jail and suggested the visitation wall be removed for such space. The Sheriff's Department is researching costs to remodel this area. The Sheriff contacted Tom Powlett, Venture Architect. Powlett stopped on his way back from Eau Claire to take a look at visitation area. Powlett provided a letter indicating the wall can be taken down for office space. Powlett assured the Sheriff this will not affect the contract we have with Venture. Sheriff had forwarded Rian a copy of the letter to which he agreed.

Sheriff Anderson expressed interest in installing video visitation in each cell block, multi-purpose room, and 3 stations in the lobby. This would reduce the amount of inmate movement and increase security. It would benefit the inmates by allowing them to visit with family/friends that may live out of state and are unable to drive to the jail to visit. There is currently \$160,000 in the jail assessment funds which could be used for this purpose. Although the Sheriff's Department is still researching vendors, the cost is estimated at approximately \$50,000 to \$70,000. There may be a potential for revenue as

well. The Sheriff will bring back additional information at the next Law Enforcement meeting.

Sheriff Anderson advised the current televisions in the jail will be replaced by flat screen televisions which will be mounted in the day room of each cell block and secured with protective equipment. This will allow inmates a better view of the TV's rather than trying to see through security gates. By replacing the TV's, we should not need the converter boxes.

**Jail Population Statistics:** February's population was at 52.68, there are currently 11 inmates on electronic monitoring and 8 inmates housed in Chippewa County Jail. We have 9 female inmates which is causing a housing problem.

**Discussion of Monthly Department Activities/Concerns**

**Questions Regarding Monthly Vouchers:** Nothing to report.

The monthly Law Enforcement/Emergency Management Committee meeting will be held on April 11, 2012 at 3:00 pm in the Packer Room.

Motion made by Miller and seconded by Aasen to adjourn the meeting. With no further discussion, Reichwein adjourned the meeting at 4:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Aasen  
Secretary, Law Enforcement/Emergency Management Committee

Minutes by Dan Schreiner and Tonya Niederkorn