

REVISED

WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
JUDICIARY & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
In person & via Zoom/Telephone

DATE: APRIL 3, 2023

TIME: 6:00 P.M.

PLACE: WINNEBAGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
RICHARD MEYER COMMUNITY RESOURCE ROOM
4311 JACKSON STREET, OSHKOSH

PRESENT: BRYAN STAFFORD
JACOB FLOAM
PAUL EISEN
BRIAN DEFFERDING
CONLEY HANSON

ALSO PRESENT: JOHN MATZ – SHERIFF'S
TODD CHRISTOPHERSON – SHERIFF'S
MARY ANNE MUELLER – CORPORATION COUNSEL
MIKE ELDER – FACILITIES
JON DOEMEL – COUNTY EXECUTIVE
KAY HORAN – COUNTY SUPERVISOR
HOWARD MILLER – COUNTY SUPERVISOR
MATTHEW OLSON – TOWN OF WINCHESTER CHAIRMAN
NATALIE STROHMEYER – REGISTER OF DEEDS
CHERYL BREHMER – MEDICAL EXAMINER
PATTY FRANCOUR – I.T. DEPARTMENT
JUDGE MICHAEL GIBBS – BRANCH 4
BETH G. – CITIZEN
STEVE BINDER – COUNTY SUPERVISOR

1. Call to order.

Chairman Stafford called the meeting to order at 6:08pm and it was verified that the meeting was properly noticed.

2. Consideration of Minutes of March 6, 2023 meeting.

A motion to approve the minutes of the March 6, 2023 meeting was made by Supervisor Floam, seconded by Supervisor Defferding. Carried 5-0.

3. Chair comments on meeting and agenda organization by Supervisor Stafford.

Chairman Stafford stated with it being a smaller meeting agenda, the public comment section is under one agenda item this time instead of two separate agenda items.

4. Public comments within jurisdiction of committee.

Town of Winchester Chairman Matthew Olson spoke about item #11 regarding the 41/441/10 Traffic Enforcement. He spoke in support of the change and stated he likes hearing that there will be an increase of patrol deputies within the townships with this change.

5. Communications shared by Committee Members.

Supervisor Floam discussed the Task Force Committee meeting that was held in regards to the restructure of all current county committees. He stated they talked about the scope of the Task Force Committee and what the findings should involve with this committee. April 27th is the next meeting and discussion will be looking at what can be done, what could be combined or what should be left alone.

Supervisor Defferding spoke about the upcoming April 5th NACO Justice and Public Safety Committee Meeting. One agenda item will be an update and overview on the Blue Campaign, which is a public awareness program for law enforcement on human trafficking, and how to respond to those situations. Also, on April 21st Supervisor Defferding will be in Madison with Judge Michael Gibbs for the State of Wisconsin Mental Health Summit.

6. Update on pathology changes and case statistics from the Medical Examiner's Office – Cheryl Brehmer

Medical Examiner Cheryl Brehmer provided updates on the medical examiner's office and gave an update on the most recent deaths. Cheryl also stated that Dr. Brian Peterson went out on his own and Winnebago County is now working with him for autopsies when Fond du Lac is not able to assist with autopsies. This will give families answers faster and in a timelier manner. Winnebago County is so far the only referral county for Dr. Brian Peterson but he will be taking more counties on in the future.

Cheryl stated the Bereavement position was posted and so far, there are 8 applicants and they will be looking at doing interviews soon. She gave an update on the morgue building project and stated they are a month behind on the project due to some design issues with the architect.

7. Consideration/Vote: Resolution: Authorize Three-Year Extension for Land Records Life Cycle Contract with Fidlar Technologies – Register of Deeds – Natalie Strohmeyer

Natalie Strohmeyer spoke about the renewal needed on the life cycle of Fidlar Technologies for records. Usually the contract increases by 3% but this time there will only be a 2% increase. The contract includes the software and support to record and maintain all county real estate and vital records.

A motion to approve the Three-Year Extension for Land Records Life Cycle Contract with Fidlar Technologies was made by Chairman Stafford, seconded by Supervisor Hanson. Carried 5-0.

8. Update from County Executive including the 980 Housing and Boathouse Projects

County Executive Jon Doemel discussed the 980 housing bids and stated they came in higher than expected at \$180,000 per unit. Winnebago County is going to move ahead and build 3 units next to the trailer on County Road Y.

County Executive Jon Doemel discussed the boathouse project and talked about contamination reports. The project will be over budget with the new contamination responsibilities. They are waiting on more information from the contractor but the estimate would be around \$32,000 additional for the removal and replacement of the contaminated dirt. Additional pilings are needed as well, which also increases the price of the project another \$21,000. Soil testing \$5,000-\$6,000. Right now, there is only \$42,000 left of the original appropriation. \$465,000 is the cost of

the rebuild of the boathouse. The estimate for more money would be around \$75,000-\$100,000 additional to what was originally approved.

Supervisor Eisen suggested to continue renting a couple of slips at the Pioneer, like the Sheriff's Office is currently doing, and that would solve the issue and save the county a ton of money since the new boathouse is coming in over budget. Sheriff John Matz stated his only concern with not having the boathouse and renting slips at the Pioneer is the lack of privacy during rescues. He agreed that the increase in cost for the contamination and pilings is a lot of money that was not originally budgeted for and will entertain other ideas the committee has.

Supervisor Defferding agreed that the rental of slips is a money saver and agrees that this is the avenue the Sheriff's Office should go with the new unexpected costs with building the new boathouse.

County Executive Jon Doemel and Sheriff John Matz will continue discussion on what to do with the boathouse project and will keep the committee updated.

9. Consideration/Vote: Resolution: Addressing Use of County Project/Conduct

Supervisor Kay Horan spoke about the presented resolution pertaining to addressing the use of Winnebago County Owned iPads by Winnebago County Board Supervisors and Outlining Consequences for misuse of iPads.

Supervisor Floam made a motion to discuss the Resolution Addressing the Use of County Project/Conduct, seconded by Supervisor Hanson.

Supervisor Hanson asked for an amendment to line 32 taking out the word "shall" and changing it to "may or will". Supervisor Eisen suggested using the word "will". It would then read, "Board of supervisors will take such action as allowed by state statute including but not limited to a Resolution of".

Supervisor Defferding made a friendly amendment to change the word "ipad" to electronic device in lines 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, 19, 21, 22, 31, 33 & 35. All committee members agreed to this amendment.

Supervisor Eisen stated the resolution is unnecessary. The misuse of the equipment is handled via reprimand and he does not see the resolution being a benefit. He advised the committee to give thought to the procedures already in place for those who misuse county equipment. Supervisor Eisen suggested making it a rule instead of a resolution.

Chairman Stafford stated he believes the resolution brings clarity to the use of county owned equipment for board members. He also stated the board shouldn't be talking about a person but instead should be looking at what's best for the county and the governments of the county.

Supervisor Eisen moved to ask the chair to bring this back to the next Judiciary meeting with the friendly amendments made and present it as a rule to be inserted instead of a resolution. Supervisor Horan was on board with this.

10. Sheriff's Report

Sheriff Matz stated the jail count was 214

Sheriff Matz discussed the latest homicides the Sheriff's Office is investigating that occurred over the last couple of weeks.

Sheriff Matz discussed the upcoming Fraud School. The Sheriff's Office is hosting the first class with the department heads on April 20th. After that it will be offered to others.

Sheriff Matz stated the TruNarc equipment has arrived. The next steps are to get everyone utilizing the equipment trained and then they will do a demo for the committee.

Sheriff Matz stated the new radios have been ordered.

Sheriff Matz stated he will review budget variances at the next Judiciary meeting.

11. Discussion: Highway 41/441/10 Traffic Enforcement. Chair may elect to limit the discussion to a specific amount of time. Discussion time may be limited to no more than five minutes. – Supervisor Paul Eisen

Supervisor Eisen spoke in regards to an email sent to himself and Sheriff Matz from Supervisor Nichols regarding the 41/441/10 traffic enforcement. Supervisor Eisen read the email aloud. He stated he had email communications with the Chief of Menasha Police Department and had spoken with the Chief of Fox Crossing Police Department and stated they are all supportive of the change but fear they will need to hire additional deputies to pick up the additional work. He stated both chiefs stated they will need to purchase additional equipment as well. Sheriff Matz stated the agencies have minimal amount of equipment that they need to purchase and all have done so to prepare for the change.

Sheriff Matz stated he has worked with the chiefs and as of April 1st, the changes have been made for the municipalities to start taking over their sections of the highways. The Sheriff's Office will still be assisting during the change and then in July, those areas will officially be turned over to those agencies. The coverage has been a service provided by the Sheriff's Office for many years and it was looked at being changed with the previous Sheriff's.

The Sheriff's Office is going to create 4 areas instead of 5 and that will allow for an additional deputy to patrol the highways and assist other agencies when needed. Other surrounding county's already share the highway responsibilities with the municipalities within their county and it works well and everyone works together when assistance is required.

Chairman Stafford stated this was presented by Sheriff Matz in January to the committee. Since then, Chairman Stafford has spoken with the Chief of the Neenah Police Department and the Chief stated was Neenah is completely on board with the change. The Chief also stated Neenah Police Department is eliminating their overnight desk people who handle non-emergency calls that come in and that those calls are now absorbed by the Sheriff's Office. The Neenah Police Department Chief stated he appreciates the Sheriff's Office taking on the responsibility as it increases the call volumes at the Sheriff's Office but that shows the partnership they have between the Police Departments and the Sheriff's Office.

12. Next Meeting Date: Monday, May 1, 2023 at 6:00 pm

- Deadline for agenda items due *Monday, April 17, 2023*. Please forward those requests to Chairman Bryan Stafford for approval. Thank you.

13. Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made at 8:08pm by Supervisor Floam, seconded by Supervisor Eisen. Carried 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted:

Kimberly Delcore
Winnebago County Sheriff's Office