

WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
JUDICIARY & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

DATE: SEPTEMBER 21, 2009

TIME: 9:00 A.M.

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

PRESENT: HARVEY RENGSTORF
LAWRENCE SMITH
BILL WINGREN
TOM ELLIS
DONALD GRIESBACH

ALSO PRESENT: MICHAEL BROOKS/SHERIFF
BILL TEDLIE/SHERIFF
MARK HABECK/SHERIFF
CHERILYN EISCHEN/SHERIFF
STEVE VERWIEL/SHERIFF
BARB SPANBAUER/SHERIFF
JENNIFER WOLDT/NORTHWESTERN

Chairman Harvey Rengstorf called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

1. Approve the minutes from the September 3, 2009 meeting

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Donald Griesbach, seconded by Bill Wingren. All in favor, motion carried 5-0.

2. Communications

Harvey Rengstorf commented on the Attorney General's appearance at the Coughlin Building.

3. Input on agenda items by public

None.

4. Budget Overview – Sheriff's Office

Sheriff Brooks and staff explained some of the variances in their budget:

- Registration & Tuition increased due new officers being hired and needing the required training and also due to increased training costs
- Revenue was reduced due to the State now taking part of the fine surcharge which formerly all went to law enforcement
- Capital increased due to:
 - Changes made by Finance. Items that formerly fell under Small Equipment that made a squad car fully functional, Finance now wants placed under Capital

- They budgeted for a new boat to replace one of their boats that is 15 years old and taking on water which creates a safety issue for the officers and any rescue efforts
- They budgeted for seven-(7) new squad cars in the Patrol Division which is part of their rotation plan
- They budgeted for a new heavy-duty SWAT trailer with more security features and ammunition lockers. Their current trailer can not handle the weight of the equipment and does not have lockers. The old trailer will then be used by the Detective Division for evidence purposes to replace the donated 1979 van they currently use that has carbon monoxide issues.
- They budgeted for two-(2) squads to be used in the Detective Division which is also part of the rotation plan. These squads have a lower unit price than those used by Patrol as they do not need the complete police package
- Computer Software increased due to an increase in the cost to upgrade the MDT's in the squad cars
- Water Safety Patrol increased due to additional monies in reimbursement
- Grants increased due to additional opportunities
- Parking Violations decreased due to less revenue received than anticipated
- Day Reporting Fees increased due to additional inmates participating
- Civil Process Fees increased due to more bankruptcy and foreclosure filings
- Police Services (4424), which covers reimbursement for special events such as Country USA, EAA, etc. was decreased based upon history and use of Reserve Officers
- Donations decreased due to the Sheriff's Office now covering the cost for all K9 expenses. Prior to this, the same person who donated the K9's to the Sheriff's Office had covered the additional costs for food, training, medical etc. and had agreed to do this for three-(3) years which has come to conclusion
- Daily Jail Fees were decreased based on history of monies actual received
- Board of Prisoners was decreased due to fewer contracted inmates (State inmates)
- Police Service (4508) increased due to a MEG Unit position being moved into this category that formerly fell under Grants.
- Sale of Property increased due to additional vehicles going to auction
- Professional Supplies and Small Equipment decreased due to some items being moved into Capital per Finance
- Clothing & Uniforms was decreased due to most items being purchased in 2009
- Motor Fuel was decreased due to the estimate being based on \$3 per gallon versus the \$3.90 estimated in 2009
- Tires/Batteries/Vehicle Repairs decreased due to the Sheriff's Office being back on a vehicle rotation and having a new fleet of vehicles
- Equipment Repairs increased due to having more technology and an increase in repair costs
- Professional Services increased due to having additional electronic monitoring equipment and also due to moving the Jail Assessment into this budget
 - Side note: Winnebago has also just entered into an agreement with Outagamie County where if an individual is convicted in Outagamie County but resides in Winnebago, that individual will go on Winnebago County's GPS program and vice versa. This is an attempt to keep officers in their own territory and reduce mileage
- Collection Service decreased based on history
- Food Service decreased due to a joint contract between Winnebago and Outagamie County

- Regular Pay and Fringe increased due to figures provided by Finance
- Jail Capital increased due to:
 - Replacing two-(2) mini vans used by Court Services for transporting prisoners
 - Changeover costs being moved here from Vehicle Repairs
 - They budgeted for a Van Cell to be placed in their higher capacity Econoline Vans for when they have a larger number of inmates to transport. A Van Cell is a metal insert which will create three-(3) secure compartments that will be placed inside the vans that will prevent inmates from kicking out the windows in an attempt to escape as has been attempted in other counties. Each cell can be locked separately in the event they are transporting a high risk inmate or male and female inmates together.

Chief Deputy Tedlie further advised that they have been using Ford Crown Victoria's as their squad cars for years. All of the equipment in these vehicles was made for the Crown Victoria. Starting in 2011, the Crown Victoria will become smaller in size. They believe Ford will produce some other vehicle for law enforcement purposes, but this will create the need for them to budget in future budgets for mounting brackets for lights, computers, cages etc.

5. Sheriff's Report

Sheriff Brooks advised that they have applied for a grant that would cover the cost of a civilian position for two-(2) years. After the two-(2) years, the position would fall under his budget. They want to use this grant to create an evidence management position. They currently have a detective handling all of their evidence which takes up 75% of his time. Due to the loss of two-(2) Detective positions from past budget issues and all of the changes in State Laws, procedures, and technology there is additional work that now needs to be done and other Detectives have had to assist. By creating this civilian position to handle all evidence, the Detectives could focus on handling their caseloads and with it being a civilian position; the wages would be lower than that of a Detective.

6. Items for next agenda

Budget Overview – Register of Deeds
County Board Rule changes

7. Future meeting date

October 5, 2009
9:00 a.m.

8. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made at 10:25 a.m. by Lawrence Smith, seconded by Tom Ellis. All in favor, motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted:

Sandy Schauz
Winnebago County Sheriff's Office