

**RICHLAND COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT AND JUDICIARY COMMITTEE
MEETING
Friday, March 10, 2017**

The Richland County Board of Supervisors Law Enforcement and Judiciary Committee met on Friday, March 10, 2017 at 8:30am in the County Board Room of the Richland County Court House in Richland Center, Wisconsin.

Committee members present at the meeting were: Committee Chair Fred Clary and Committee members Gary Peters, Don Seep and Marty Brewer. Present from the Richland County Sheriff's Department were Sheriff Jim Bindl, Chief Deputy Chad Kanable, and Amber Muckler. Also present for the meeting or a portion of the meeting was Richland County Clerk of Circuit Court Stacy Kleist, DA Jennifer Harper, Deputy Coroner Ruth Bristol, and Bryan Myers.

Agenda Item #1: Call to Order: Committee Chair Fred Clary called the meeting to order at 8:30am.

Agenda Item #2: Read and Approve Notice of Posting for March 10, 2017 LEJC Meeting: Committee chair Clary confirmed with Amber Muckler that the meeting was properly posted. Upon receiving confirmation Clary declared meeting properly posted.

Agenda Item #3: Read and Approve the Agenda for March 10, 2017 Meeting: Motioned by Marty Brewer to approve the agenda. 2nd to this motion by Gary Peters. Motion passed.

Agenda Item #4: Read and Approve Minutes of the February 10, 2017 LEJC Meeting: Motion by Gary Peters to approve the minutes as printed. 2nd to this motion by Marty Brewer. One correction to the minutes regarding booking fees, booking fees can only be charged to convicted individuals. Motion to amend the minutes by Gary Peters, 2nd to this motion by Don Seep. Motion passed, amended minutes accepted.

Agenda Item #5: Coroner Updates: February was a busy month with 16 deaths which were due to various types of deaths. Still waiting on 5 autopsies. Clary stated there was an appropriation made for overage in the coroner budget which was due to autopsy costs. Sheriff Bindl stated the age is a factor as to when an autopsy is done. Clary stated there was talk in the past about raising the cost of cremations to increase revenue, Clary would like the coroner to research this and what other fees could be increased and bring this information back to the committee.

Agenda Item #6: Probate Department: Probate was not available for this meeting due to medical absence. Clary did state that by separating out the budgets it was supposed to be cost-neutral and instead it cost around \$4000, hopefully this will show as more neutral at year end as many aspects of the cost of the probate budget were estimated due to it being a new budget.

Agenda Item #7: Clerk of Court Update: Kleist shared her monthly reports with the committee. In February there was a jury trial which lasted 4 days and ended

in the conviction of an individual that will be going to prison for a long time, this individual has been in our county jail for over a year. Security went well during this trial. Also as a side note, one of the jurors who was not picked sent her check back noting that the county needed the money more than she did. Jurors in this county receive per diem and mileage for being part of the jury process. This coming Wednesday will be County Government Day. Collections for the month was normal, Kleist also went over her expenditure report with the committee members.

Agenda Item #8: District Attorney Update: DA Harper went over her expenditures with the committee which included 4 bills for the month. No other updates.

Agenda Item #9: Approve monthly invoices and other Sheriff's Department reports: The committee went over the invoices, Sheriff Bindl made comment of General Communications bill which included the 2017 maintenance contract for the radio. Motion by Don Seep to approve the invoices, 2nd to this motion by Marty Brewer. Motion approved. Sheriff Bindl went over the blue sheet and jail statistics with the committee members. **Spillman 911 Outlay Invoice approval:** Spillman invoice has been received for the annual maintenance in the amount of \$23,418.24 and needs to go through this committee for approval and then on to County Board for final approval. There are a few issues being looked into that could affect the overall price. There is a \$3000 credit that needs to be applied to this invoice. Motion by Marty Brewer to pay this invoice with knowing there will be a \$3000 credit coming, 2nd to this motion by Gary Peters. Motion approved.

Agenda Item #10 & 12: Budget & Holiday: The Sheriff went over with the committee on how holidays are dealt with in the department. Clary stated this was a concern of the county board chair and it's directed mainly regarding the administration. Holidays are all paid at straight pay for all employees, it is NOT paid at time and a half or overtime. Sheriff Bindl stated that this issue seems very small in comparison to what the overall county issues currently seem to be. Sheriff Bindl is also looking at doing away with the other Lt position and instead adding a second Investigator which will save the county money. Sheriff Bindl went over some EMP facts with the committee on costs for a person out of EMP. Currently, we have around 10 to 15 people on EMP which costs around \$133 per week per person. DA Harper also states if we are going to put people out on EMP we also need to put them on Soberlink which is another program that makes a person accountable to give an alcohol/breath test at random. This will increase public safety and allow for more cost savings.

Agenda Item #11: Large Group Ordinance Application: The application has been submitted for the Motor Sports Mayhem and insurance has submitted a letter saying the requirements have been met. Sheriff stated 2 more signatures are needed. Bryan Myers inquired about the insurance policy going from a three million to two million, it would save the event some money and would like to see if this committee would approve that. Clary states the fee may be waived, but he wasn't sure if the insurance could be adjusted. Brewer states that for the Bunker Hill project, that event could not get a three million dollar policy. Seep stated he knows the Motor Sports event bring a lot of money to the county and does a lot for charity and he would like to see that the insurance be brought down to the two million dollar policy as well.

Clary states the fee for Bunker Hill was not waived, but the committee has waived the fee for the Motor Sports event. Motion to approve the insurance premium from 3 million to 2 million by Don Seep, 2nd to this motion by Marty Brewer. Motion approved for insurance. Fencing issues would be the same as last year, and would like to waive the fencing requirement. Motion by Marty Brewer to waive the fencing requirement, 2nd to this motion by Don Seep. Motion approved for fencing waiver. The fee for the event is \$500 for this 1 day event. Myers commented that last year was a rough year as the events got canceled due to weather, also last year when they asked to waive the fee this was due to being able to give more money to local charities. Motion by Gary Peters to waive the large group ordinance fee of \$500 for this event, 2nd to this motion by Marty Brewer. Motion approved. The committee needs to approve the application as amended contingent on receiving the last 2 signatures. Peters wondered if all pedestrian issues have been resolved, which the Sheriff stated that they have all been resolved. Motion by Marty Brewer to approved the amended application, 2nd to this motion by Gary Peters. Motion approved.

Agenda Item #12: Open Squad Bids: The department received 1 squad bid from Fillback Ford, the bid is for one SUV Ford Explorer in the amount of \$27,914.28. This vehicle will replace a current SUV in the department's fleet. Motion by Gary Peters to approve the bid, 2nd to this motion by Marty Brewer. Motion approved. Clary stated in the resolution to include the disposal of the current squad 10.

Agenda Item #13: Mapping, Radio & Squad Updates: Mapping - Chief Deputy Kanable spoke to the committee about mapping issues, a jailer/dispatcher is working on this issue, it has been found out that the mapping information on Spillman has not been updated since 2009, this causes a huge work load. The department will continue working on this to get the information all updated and will keep the committee updated on this issue. **Radio -** Kanable states the Lone Rock repeater towers are up and running. Radios went bad in some of the squads, repeater went down for Sylvan, the techs are coming to take a look at what is going wrong. The duplexer on the Sylvan tower needs to be replaced, this is close to \$3000 to replace. The Richland tower went down this morning and the tech will also look at this issue. It is not sure if it is due to the major wind storms we've had in our county lately, but the techs will look into this issue and see what can be done. Motion by Gary Peters to approve for the department to move forward if the resolve to this issue will be only \$3000, 2nd to this motion by Marty Brewer. Clary states if the \$3000 does not fix the issue then the cost will need to go to full County Board for approval. Clary states if a new repeater needs to be put in place, that will need to go to the March county board. Motion approved. Clary talked about the radio meeting the committee authorized him to go to regarding the Legacy 911 upgrade which he felt was a disappointing meeting. The price is still \$91,000 with 5 years of support included in that cost. Clary wants to know if this would duplicate any support received from Spillman. The state will not be ready for this for at least the next five years. The meeting ended by Frontier saying their tech staff would meet with the counties current tech staff and he doesn't believe that has happened yet.

Agenda Item #18: Adjourn; Motion by Marty Brewer to adjourn until the regular LEJC meeting on Friday, April 14, 2017 at 8:30am. Second to this motion by Gary Peters. It was brought to the attention that this is a holiday for the courthouse,

so the meeting date will have to be changed to Friday, April 7, 2017. Motion approved, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted by Office Manager, Amber Muckler