

**RICHLAND COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT AND JUDICIARY COMMITTEE  
MEETING  
Friday, April 8, 2016**

The Richland County Board of Supervisors Law Enforcement and Judiciary Committee met on Friday, April 8, 2016 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 Buford Marshall, and Don Seep. Present from the Richland County Sheriff's Department were Sheriff Jim Bindl, Chief Deputy Chad Kanable, 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, Sgt. Dane Kanable, Darin Gudgeon, Town of Bloom board member Calvin and members of the Driftless Music Garden organization.

**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 April 8, 2016 LEJC Meeting:** Committee chair Clary confirmed with Sheriff Bindl that the meeting was properly posted with two amendments. Upon receiving confirmation Clary declared meeting properly posted. Motion by Don Seep to approve the posting, 2<sup>nd</sup> to this motion by Buford Marshall. Posting approved.

**Agenda Item #3: Read and Approve the Agenda for April 8, 2016 Meeting:** Motioned by Buford Marshall to approve the agenda. 2<sup>nd</sup> to this motion by Don Seep. Motion passed.

**Agenda Item #4: Read and Approve Minutes of the March 11, 2016 LEJC Meeting:** Motion by Buford Marshall to approve the minutes as printed. 2<sup>nd</sup> to this motion by Don. Motion passed, minutes accepted.

**Agenda Item #6: Clerk of Court Updates:** Clerk of Court Kleist went over the reports with the committee. The month was busy for her department with collections and within the court system, and within her office operations. Court cases continue with substitute judges within our county and will continue in the future. There will be a few new judges coming in from other counties who recently got elected that will be covering Richland County cases. Collections were up for the month of March, and money that went to the county from those collections increased for the month of March. Kleist has finished her expenditure and revenue report to the state this past week. This is a report that is sent to the state every year in April.

**Agenda Item #7: District Attorney Update:** DA Harper talked with the committee about how the Victim/Witness Coordinator position works in her department and how her wages and expenses are funded or reimbursed from the state. The first reimbursement check was received which was just over \$15,000 which is on target for the budget year for the DA's department. DA Harper went over new probation requirements and fees associated with someone on probation and how that all works when it comes to collections within the court or restitution fees.

**Agenda Item #8: Coroner Updates:** no new updates for the month.

**Agenda Item #9: Approve monthly invoices and other Sheriff's Department reports:** Sheriff Bindl went over the blue sheet statistics for the month. There is a grant the department is working on and with that grant money, the department will be able to purchase new body cameras. Sheriff Bindl went over the EMP program and will be expanding the program in the near future. There will be a second jailer/dispatcher that will help out with that program to help with extra duties. **Bills:** Sheriff Bindl went over the invoices with the committee. Motion by Don Seep to approve the bills, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Buford Marshall. Motion passed

**Agenda Item #10 & 11 Approve invoice over \$1000 for scheduling software & Weather Center/Scheduling Software:** Chief Deputy Kanable stated the department is no longer using the weather center money due to the internet being a good weather source. Back in October 2015 the department brought this in front of the committee regarding this issue and using the weather center money line item by re-allocating the money to a scheduling software program needed by the department. The company Aladtec is the company that supplies the software, which costs \$1,995.00. Motion by Buford Marshall to approve the bill for payment which will be taken out of the computer line item, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Don Seep to this motion. Motion approved.

**Agenda Item #12: Rifle Range Update:** Seep informed the committee there are a lot of issues with the care and clean up of the range. There is continued abuse of the range with many things being shot up, that should not be shot at including the dumpster, shelter, trash cans. There was consideration to close the range for 30 days. Sheriff Bindl talked about the abuse of the dumpster located at the range and people shooting items that have been put in the dumpster and people dumping personal items in that dumpster. Sheriff Bindl talked to the parks department and told them not to take down the metal posts used for putting up targets as the abusers will then shoot up anything they can find at the range if the metal posts for targets are not there. Sheriff Bindl talked about getting rid of the dumpster at the range. There is a camera at the range and the sheriff's department tries to monitor what is going on at the range. Seep wondered if the range should be closed by the parks department, Sheriff Bindl doesn't feel this is right when it's a handful of people abusing the range and the remainder of the public is using it for what it is intended. Clary suggests possibly having the range gated and fenced off and have an officer responsible for opening and closing range when it's after hours to keep vehicles out after dark.

**Agenda Item #5: Driftless Music Garden Event Update:** Coby from Driftless Music Garden organization shared with the committee some updates on items to get ready for the event. Town of Bloom rep Calvin stated the ordinance is supposed to have an entrance or exit at each end of the event, Calvin stated there is only 1 entrance into this event. There is some issues with the location due to fields nearby and driveway requirements. Coby let the committee know that ticket sales will be capped so that it does not reach over capacity for safety purposes. There was discussion of access to this event to meet the township requirements. Coby talked to the committee regarding the EMS requirements and training of the organization's staff if there would be an emergency at the event. Insurance requirements have been met for this event, the organization will be in charge of their own security and are currently

working to get people to fill those security positions. Buford Marshall went over some concerns with camping requirements, Coby stated they are waiting on water inspections and once that is done they will get the camping permits finished up. Clary wanted to know about evacuation plans the organization has in place, which would come back to the specific requirements for access in and out of this event location. Coby stated there is a barn nearby and they've looked into heavy duty tents, which Clary states a tent would still be a concern, he doesn't believe tents no matter how heavy duty they are would be acceptable with heavy winds. Clary discussed issues and concerns regarding security for this event. The organization will come back to next's months meeting with updates.

**Agenda Item #13: Mapping, Radio System & Squad Updates: Mapping:** On May 10<sup>th</sup> Lt. Frank will meet with the Lone Rock village board to go over the mapping project there. **Radio System:** The fix for the Lone Rock area needed for proper radio availability ended up being only \$400 to fix the issue. Kanable stated the Eagle repeater is a Motorola repeater, the rep from LaCrosse came down and looked at the repeater. The tuning on the repeater was wrong, and under our new contract the rep re-tuned the repeater to meet the specifications and the radio was tested around that whole area with the squad the officer used at that time incident when he had no radio communication and all radio communication was 100% clear during that testing. Clary wondered if tuning needed to be checked at the other repeater sites. Sheriff Bindl stated the problem is not all repeaters are Motorola so that same company can't inspect the other equipment. General Communications would have to inspect the other equipment, Clary wonders if we can have another company look into inspecting those repeaters. Sheriff Bindl wants to give General Communications the chance to inspect the other equipment. Clary states even if a service call needs to be paid to get another company out here to inspect the other repeaters that are not Motorola this may be money well spent if it comes down to tuning issues. Clary states there is a new tower being put up in the Northern area of the county in the town of Bloom (being put up by Bug Tussel). As far as Lone Rock, there is no longer the need to put additional equipment on the water tower located there. Chief Deputy Kanable stated in the future his belief is that the department needs to look at Motorola equipment for future radio tower issues since it seems to work the best in our area. **Squads:** New cars are on order, however Ford has had a plant shut down recently, so the department is unsure when the new squads will arrive.

**Agenda Item #14: Notification of 10 hour shift rotation end for road deputies:** Sheriff Bindl wanted to inform the committee that the 10 hour shift ended.

**Agenda Item #15: Possible AED Grant money:** Chief Deputy Kanable informed the committee there is a Madison based medical group that has run into funding that we could get 7 new AED's on grant. This is just tentative, the medical group is working through some information to see if this will be possible.

**Agenda Item #18: Adjourn;** Motion by Buford Marshall to adjourn until the regular LEJC meeting on Friday, May 13, 2016 at 8:30am. Second to this motion by Chairman Clary. Motion passed, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted by Office Manager, Amber Muckler