

**RICHLAND COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT AND JUDICIARY COMMITTEE
MEETING
Friday, May 8, 2020**

The Richland County Board of Supervisors Law Enforcement and Judiciary Committee met on Friday, May 8, 2020 at 9:00am via WebEx.

Committee members present at the meeting were: Committee Chair Melissa Luck and Committee members Daniel McGuire, Kerry Severson, David Turk. Present from the Richland County Sheriff's Department were Sheriff Jim Bindl, Chief Deputy Clay Porter, 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, Jenifer Laue, Clinton Langreck, Tim Lochner from Driftless Music Gardens event, Barb Scott and Deputy Jacob Rupnow.

Agenda Item #1: Call to Order: Sheriff Jim Bindl called the meeting to order at 9:00am.

Agenda Item #2: Vote on Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary of the committee: Clinton Langreck held nominations for the positions of the LEJC committee. Nomination for Melissa Luck to fill the Chair position by Kerry Severson, second to this nomination made by Dave Turk. Nomination approved. Nomination for Dave Turk to fill the Vice Chair position made by Chad Cosgrove, second to this nomination made by Melissa Luck. Nomination approved. Nomination for Chad Cosgrove to fill the Secretary position made by Kerry Severson, second to this nomination made by Melissa Luck. Nomination approved.

Agenda Item #3: Read and Approve Notice of Posting for May 8, 2020 LEJC Meeting: Committee Chair Luck confirmed with Sheriff Bindl that the meeting was properly posted. Upon receiving confirmation Brewer declared meeting properly posted.

Agenda Item #4: Read and Approve the Agenda for May 8, 2020 Meeting: Motioned by Chad Cosgrove to approve the agenda. 2nd to this motion by Kerry Severson. Motion passed.

Agenda Item #5: Read and Approve Minutes of the April 13, 2020 LEJC Meeting: Motion by Kerry Severson to approve the minutes as printed. 2nd to this motion by Dave Turk. Motion passed, minutes accepted.

Agenda Item #6: Coroner Updates: no information given for this meeting.

Agenda Item #7: Clerk of Court Update: Clerk of Court Kleist went over her reports with the committee members. Kleist talked about what goes on in the court system and also the video conferencing system for the court room system. The committee discussed what updates need to be done to the courtroom while there is little activity in the courtroom and once the new system is put into place.

Agenda Item #8: Probate Updates: Jenifer Laue informed the committee of the general things that go on in her department. There are no new issues for this month.

Agenda Item #9: District Attorney Updates: Jennifer Harper informed the committee of how her department works. She also talked about the county producing a new health ordinance which was discussed at the last LEJC meeting.

Agenda Item #10: Approve monthly invoices and other Sheriff's Department reports: Sheriff Bindl went over the invoices for payment. Motion to approve paying the invoices made by Kerry Severson, a second made by Chad Cosgrove. Motion approved. Sheriff

Agenda Item #11: Set up interview dates for Dispatch and Road Patrol positions – possible dates May 11, 12, and/or 13th: Sheriff Bindl stated the LEJC committee needs to be part of the interview process and we need to get people hired as we are currently three positions short in the jail. The committee agreed to holding interviews on May 12 and 13, 2020 at 5pm in the County Board Room for interviews for Road and Dispatch/Jail positions.

Agenda Item #12: Committee approval of Departmental MOU: Sheriff Bindl informed the committee that the union employees have brought about two MOU's. The first MOU is regarding shift start times, and the other MOU is regarding vacation scheduling. Motion to approve these MOU's and forward to the County Board made by Dave Turk, second to this motion by Chad Cosgrove. Motion approved.

Agenda Item #13: New Squads and equipment approvals: Deputy Jacob Rupnow discussed equipping the four new squads. There was a total of \$201,000 in borrowing for the new squads, however there were bills from Belco to outfit squads that needed to come out of the new car outlay which leaves the new car outlay account short in the amount of \$16,278.00. The computers that will equip the new squads in the amount of will need to be taken out of the computer maintenance account or possibly new equipment as there was a shortage. The department is looking to take money out of other accounts other than the new car outlay account to be able to equip the squads. When resolutions are done the resolutions just state what line items the funding is coming from. Motion to send these squads requests on to Finance and Personnel made by Kerry Severson, second to the motion made by Dave Turk. Motion approved.

Agenda Item #14: Mapping, Radio System & Squad Updates: Barb Scott talked about the mapping training that took place during May and all mapping has been moved to the new system, everyone is fully training and it will be implemented on May 11th. We did receive the grant for the mapping, but we do have a \$9,000 match that the county will need to repay. This money was included in the borrowing out of the computer line item. Barb would like to request a special LEJC meeting to approve this \$9,000 invoice on Tuesday before the Personnel & Finance meeting. Luck said LEJC can make a special meeting before the Personnel meeting, this meeting will probably have to be held by WebEx at 8:45 on Tuesday, May 12, 2020.

The four new squads are ordered and just waiting to come in. Radio no new issues right at this point.

Agenda Item #15: Driftless Music Garden event updates: Tim Lochner was available for the meeting and informed the committee that events for the early summer months have been postponed until 2021, however they still have their event scheduled for August at this time. They will be making many accommodations to make the event in August safer. Luck commended the event planners on how much thought they put into their events and how to make them safer. County Administrator Clinton Langreck made comment regarding emergency order #31 by the state, so nothing is known at this point as to how this will be in effect as the summer months proceed. Clinton informed Mr. Lochner that the county would stay in contact with him on how to proceed with the event depending on what the emergency order of the state decides.

Motion to approve moving to closed session made by Kerry Severson, second to this motion made by Chad Cosgrove. Motion approved.

**Agenda Item #16: Discussion regarding status of an employee:
Committee may move to closed session to section 19.85(1) of the WI Statues.**

Motion to approve moving back to open session made by Chad Cosgrove, second to this motion made by Kerry Severson. Motion approved.

A motion was to approve the vacation payout for a former employee even though there was not a two week notice given made by Chad Cosgrove, second to this motion made by Kerry Severson. This will be forwarded on to Finance and Personnel. Motion approved.

Agenda Item #17: Adjourn: Motion by Dave Turk to adjourn until the regular LEJC meeting on Friday, June 12, 2020 at 9:00am. Second to this motion by Chad Cosgrove. Motion passed, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted by Office Manager, Amber Muckler