## RICHLAND COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT AND JUDICIARY COMMITTEE MEETING Friday, February 11, 2022

The Richland County Board of Supervisors Law Enforcement and Judiciary Committee met on Friday, February 11, 2022 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 Melissa Luck and Committee members David Turk, Bob Frank and Chad Cosgrove. Present from the Richland County Sheriff's Department were Sheriff Clay Porter, Chief Deputy Aaron Wallace, and Amber Muckler. Also present for the meeting or a portion of the meeting was Richland County Clerk of Circuit Court Stacy Kleist, Sara Ehrhardt, Jenifer Laue, Clinton Langreck, Cheryl Dull, Nettie Collins, and Barb Scott.

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

Agenda Item #2: Read and Approve Notice of Posting for February 11, 2022 LEJC Meeting: Committee Chair Luck confirmed that the meeting was properly posted. Upon receiving confirmation Luck declared meeting properly posted.

Agenda Item #3: Read and Approve the Agenda for February 11, 2022 Meeting: Motioned by Chad Cosgrove to approve the agenda. 2<sup>nd</sup> to this motion by Bob Frank. Motion passed.

Agenda Item #4: Read and Approve Minutes of the January 14, 2022 LEJC Meeting: Motion by Bob Frank to approve the minutes as printed. 2<sup>nd</sup> to this motion by Chad Cosgrove. Motion passed, minutes accepted.

**Agenda Item #5: Coroner Updates:** No update from the Coroner for this month's meeting.

**Agenda Item #6: Clerk of Court Update:** Clerk of Court Kleist went over the reports with the committee members. Kleist talked about collections within her department and how collections have improved in her department with her oversight. Kleist stated one of her goals for 2022 is onboarding a new judge.

**Agenda Item #7: Probate Updates:** Jenifer Laue talked about the court reporter for the Judge who is currently Sue Kaderavek will be retiring on February 18<sup>th</sup>, so interviewing will begin for a new court reporter. Goals for her department would be working with a new Judge, Court Reporter and new employee in her department. Laue went over her reports with the committee members and discussed disbursements and collections.

**Agenda Item #8: District Attorney Updates:** DA Harper was not available for this meeting.

Agenda Item #9: Approve monthly invoices and other Sheriff's Department reports: Sheriff Porter went over the bills for the month with the committee members. Motion to approve paying the monthly invoices made by Chad Cosgrove, second to this motion by Bob Frank. Motion approved. Sheriff Porter went over the jail statistics report with the committee members.

**Agenda Item #10: Approval of 911 Outlay Invoice:** This is for the annual Motorola/Spillman maintenance contract in the amount of \$29,000.07 which is an budgeted item. Motion to approve payment of this by Bob Frank, second to this motion by Chad Cosgrove. Motion approved.

**Agenda Item #11: Discussion and possible action on DOJ COSSAP Grants:** Sheriff Porter stated there are two grants brought out by the DOJ, they are due at the end of the month. One is for a diversion program for people affected by an opioid addiction. The second grant is a medical assisted program for people affected by an opioid addition that the department and jail would like to look into. Both grants are non-matching so there would be no out of pocket costs and no additional staff needed for these grants. The amount available is \$150,000 and this is for treatment and continued treatment once released. Motion to approve accepting and applying for both DOJ grants and forward to County Board made by David Turk, second to this motion by Bob Frank. Motion approved.

**Agenda Item #12: Approval to re-open eligibility list and advertise:** Sheriff Porter stated that there are two retirements that could be coming soon in the department and so Porter would like to get started on an eligibility list and fill spots once the retirements happen. Motion to approve this by Bob Frank, second to this motion by Chad Cosgrove. Motion approved.

**Agenda Item #13: Jail Inspection Report:** Luck stated in December the LEJC committee did an annual jail inspection and she talked about things in the jail that are long term issues. Luck stated the State Jail Inspector is very happy with the staff and all they do with the limits of the facility. She went over her report with the department and committee members and talked about informing the committee members when updates are made. Porter talked about issues that have been addressed and other items that will still need to take place. Porter stated a goal for 2022 is getting the camera system set up in the jail. Jail Sgt. Nettie Collins talked briefly as well. Motion made to accept the jail inspection report made by Chad Cosgrove, second to this motion by David Turk. Motion approved.

**Agenda Item #14: Departmental Goals for 2022:** Porter stated goals for the department would be working towards a Jail Administrator position as Richland County is the only county in the state that does not have this position, other items are a camera system in the jail, inmate Narcan training program and possibly also anyone visiting inmates in the jail, continuation of the radio project, adding a second K-9 to the department, P3 app with Richland Area Crime Stoppers as well as many other goals for the Sheriff's Department.

Agenda Item #15: Follow up on Radio Tower WRCO morning program segment: Porter stated he has not moved forward with this yet, but he has talked to people with other departments about being involved in this. Porter will continue to move forward being on the morning program in the coming months. Luck would like to have a two page summary put out there for people to read that would cover some major questions and inform the public regarding the radio project. Discussion on having a special LEJC meeting in March specific to the radio project and also commit to the radio show in late March as well. Tentative meeting is set for March 21, 2022 at 4pm for LEJC and 5pm with other agencies.

**Agenda Item #16: Radio Tower project updates:** Luck discussed the ARRPA money and how it could positively affect the tax payers. There was further discussion regarding ARRPA funds and questions concerning Radio Tower equipment for outlying departments and capabilities of the surrounding counties to be able to work with Richland County. There is a need to get as much information out there to everyone so that it is realized how important this project really is in the county. Frank feels there needs to be more clarification on the project and what this project brings to the end user.

**Agenda Item #17: Mapping/ESInet, Radio System & Squad Updates:** Bob Frank went over ESInet/NG911 and what it is, how it works and what they do. There was further discussion about the ESInet system and how that integrates into the county. No new squad updates, the new squads have been ordered. There are a few radio issues up in the Cazenovia area with paging.

## Agenda Item #18: Future agenda items: None

**Agenda Item #16: Adjourn;** Motion by Bob Frank to adjourn until the regular LEJC meeting on Friday, March 11, 2022 at 8:30am. Second to this motion by Chad Cosgrove. Motion passed, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted by Office Manager, Amber Muckler