

PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE COMMITTEE

Minutes – October 19, 2015

Call to Order. Chair Beaver called the meeting of the Public Safety and Justice Committee to order at 4:00 P.M. on October 19, 2015 in Conference Room N-1, Courthouse East.

Committee Members Present: Supervisors Beaver, Brill, Fell, Knudson and Wiedenfeld.

Committee Members Excused: None.

Staff Members Present: Josh Smith, County Administrator; Randy Terronez and Nick Osborne, Assistants to the County Administrator; Sheriff Robert Spoden, and Chief Deputy Barbara Tillman, Sheriff's Office; Kathy Sukus, 911 Communications Center Director; Rita Costrini-Norgal, Director of Mediation and Family Court.

Others Present: Supervisor J. Russell Podzilni; Barry Irmen, Director of Operations, Rock & Dane County Medical Examiners Department.

Adoption of Agenda. Supervisor Fell moved approval of the agenda as presented, second by Supervisor Knudson. ADOPTED.

Adoption of Minutes. Supervisor Wiedenfeld moved approval of the minutes of October 5, 2015 as presented, second by Supervisor Brill. ADOPTED.

Citizen Participation, Communications, Announcement, Information. None.

Consent Calendar.

Transfers and Appropriations.

911 Communications Center

FROM

<u>Account #</u>	<u>Amount</u>
23-2400-0000-46205	\$6,707.50
Insurance Proceeds	

TO

<u>Account #</u>	<u>Amount</u>
23-2400-0000-62420	\$6,707.50
Machinery & Equipment R&M	

Sheriff's Office

FROM

<u>Account #</u>	<u>Amount</u>
21-2100-0000-63501	\$2,500
Gasoline & Other Fuel - LES	

TO

<u>Account #</u>	<u>Amount</u>
21-2100-0000-67160	\$2,500
Capital Assets \$500-\$4,999	

Bills/Encumbrances

Sheriff	\$	25,470.90
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OWI Task Force Grant	4,728.88
Cops and Kids Foundation	9.98
RECAP Operations	16,008.31
Equitably Shared Funds	396.11
Correctional Facility	5,536.22
Circuit Courts	272.61
911 Project Operations	19,933.88
Child Support	357.05

Pre-Approved Encumbrance Amendments. None.

Supervisor Knudson moved approval of the above Transfers and Appropriations, Bills and Encumbrances and Pre-Approved Encumbrance Amendments for the Public Safety & Justice Committee, second by Supervisor Fell. ADOPTED.

Resolution.

Recognizing Judith Wallander

“NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this _____ day of _____, 2015, does hereby recognize Judith Wallander for her twenty-five (25) years of service to express their sincere appreciation on behalf of Rock County along with best wishes for the future.”

Supervisor Knudson moved approval of the above resolution, second by Supervisor Fell. ADOPTED.

Committee Approval.

Approve Prime Vendor for Floor Mat Rental for the Sheriff’s Office and Jail

Supervisor Knudson moved approval of Aramark as the prime vendor for floor mat rental for the Sheriff’s Office and Jail, second by Supervisor Brill. ADOPTED.

Request to Donate Abandoned Bicycles to Brian and Anne Reece of Beloit, WI.

Supervisor Brill moved approval to donate abandoned bicycles, which would normally go to the County auction, and parts to Brian and Anne Reece. The Reece’s fix the bicycles and donate them to area residents that are less fortunate, second by Supervisor Knudson. ADOPTED.

Third Quarter Activity Report – Mediation and Family Court Services. Ms.

Costrini-Norgal handed out copies of the *Mediation and Co-Parenting* book that is given to her clients. Ms. Costrini-Norgal thanked the Committee for their confidence and support of her and her program. She mentioned that she has had a couple counties review our program with the idea they may implement one similar to ours.

Budget Review.

Child Support Mr. Smith went over his comments and said, overall, there is a slight decrease of \$6,207 or 0.7%.

Circuit Courts Mr. Smith went over his comments and said, as a whole, there is an increase of \$28,207 or 1.1% over the prior year.

Communications Center Ms. Sukus said the second half of the pictometry project will be completed in 2016; they will be adding three repeated analog frequencies; and routers for the Sheriff's Office. She said she had asked to have the Telecommunicator positions reallocated due to market factors and the loss of a number of employees from this position. Ms. Sukus said her budget increased \$80,369 or 1.9% over 2015.

District Attorney Mr. Smith said Mr. O'Leary has requested a conservative budget for 2016 with an overall increase of \$10,644 or 0.8%.

Mediation and Family Court Services Ms. Costrini-Norgal said she is happy with her budget.

Medical Examiner Mr. Smith said there is an increase of \$34,532 or 8.5% over last year.

Sheriff Sheriff Spoden voiced his concerns on various pulls to the agency for the cities and other municipalities, and from hospitals for transport, etc. He said they are putting in a great deal of overtime and is worried about his officers burning out and the associated risks.

Chief Deputy Tillman said they are seeing more complex situations, more suicides, etc., the amount of time this adds to the Deputies' time at the scene, and the number of 911 hang-up calls increasing that still require Deputies time to check out. She said they need to keep their Deputies fresh and this is becoming more and more difficult. Chief Deputy Tillman said they are in need of the two deputy positions they requested in the budget. She added that they are thankful for the one position recommended by the County Administrator, starting in July, in the budget, but with the amount of training it takes they would not be ready until about Christmas.

Mr. Smith said they put together a very good statistical report but it is difficult to find resources. He noted that he recommended reallocation of 3.0 FTE Account Clerk II to Account Clerk III and a revised personnel page will be distributed.

Ms. Costrini-Norgal said she is thankful for the security of the Courthouse Deputies but they are sometimes needed elsewhere for transport or other needs from the Judges and the Deputies are stretched pretty hard.

Mr. Smith said the Sheriff's Office has an increase of \$99,024 or 0.4% over 2015.

Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC) Mr. Smith said the CJCC has no funding for itself but from other state and County funds. He added that the Evidence Based Decision Making Committee is not ready to make any decisions at this time but will probably have some recommendations in 2017.

Rock Valley Community Programs Mr. Smith said the residential and community services programs will remain the same as 2015.

Committee Requests and Motions. None.

Adjournment. Supervisor Fell moved adjournment at 4:44 P.M., second by Supervisor Knudson. ADOPTED.

Respectfully submitted,

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