

PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE COMMITTEE
Minutes – April 15, 2013

Call to Order. Chair Collins called the meeting of the Public Safety and Justice Committee to order at 4:00 P.M. on April 15, 2013 in Conference Room N-1, Courthouse-East.

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

Committee Members Excused: None.

Staff Members Present: Randy Terronez and Nick Osborne, Assistants to County Administrator; Kathy Sukus, Communications Center Director; Captain Groelle, Sheriff's Office; Elizabeth Pohlman McQuillen, Criminal Justice Planner/Analyst; Rita Costrini-Norgal, Mediation and Family Court Services Director; Jenifer Keach, Coroner; Louis Smit, Chief Deputy Coroner.

Others Present: Supervisor Russ Podzilni; Tom Gubbin, Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee Chair; Sydney Resler, Intern, Coroner's Office.

Adoption of Agenda. Supervisor Knudson moved approval of the amended agenda, second by Supervisor Brill. ADOPTED.

Adoption of Minutes. Supervisor Wiedenfeld moved approval of the minutes of April 1, 2013, second by Supervisor Knudson. ADOPTED.

Citizen Participation, Communications, Announcement, Information. Captain Groelle relayed a request from Commander Knudson for the Committee to hold a meeting prior to County Board on April 25, 2013 to approve a resolution proclaiming law enforcement week. The Committee agreed to hold a meeting on April 25, 2013.

Supervisor Brill requested Mr. Osborne to check with Mr. Doug Keating, HCC Maintenance, on shutting the Copeland coolers down or if they need to keep running.

Consent Calendar.

Transfers and Appropriations. None.

Bills/Encumbrances

Sheriff	\$ 13,042.87
RECAP Operations	548.50
Correctional Facility	7,298.51
Circuit Courts	11,539.32
Mediation/Family Court Services	72.35
911 Project Operations	1,870.86
District Attorney	235.19
Deferred Prosecution/Domestic Violence	320.00
Coroner	2,605.00
Child Support	221.80

Sheriff's Vehicles

2,364.00

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 Beaver. ADOPTED.

Resolutions.

Proclaiming April 2013 National County Government Month "Smart Justice: Creating Safer Communities"

"NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this ____ day of _____, 2013 does hereby proclaim April 2013 as National County Government Month and encourages all county officials, employees, schools, and residents to participate in county government celebration activities."

Supervisor Brill moved approval of the above resolution, second by Supervisor Wiedenfeld.

Ms. Pohlman McQuillen introduced Mr. Gubbin, Chair of the Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee.

Supervisor Wiedenfeld requested information from Ms. Pohlman McQuillen on how Minnesota runs their Criminal Justice programs. ADOPTED.

Authorizing Purchase of Vehicle per State of Wisconsin Contract for the Rock County Sheriff's Office

"NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this ____ day of _____, 2013, that a Purchase Order be issued as follows:

\$22,979.50 to Ewald Automotive for 1 Dodge Charger

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that payment be made to the vendor upon receipt and acceptance by the Rock County Sheriff."

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

Proclaiming Correctional Employees Week

"NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this ____ day of _____, 2013, proclaim May 5-11, 2013 to be Correctional Employees Week and call upon all out

citizens to especially honor and show our appreciation for Correctional employees serving Rock County.”

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

Proposal for a Coroner Morgue. Ms. Keach handed out copies of the Coroner’s Office proposal for a morgue at the Health Care Center utilizing the existing coolers and freezer. Ms. Keach said the proposal includes air quality issues, anticipated costs, and a possible future grant.

Supervisor Knudson requested the proposal be given to the General Services Committee for their input.

Supervisor Brill asked what the cost comparison would be to using Mercy Hospital. Ms. Keach said Mercy does not charge anything unless they did an autopsy and then they charge \$100.00. She added that there is no way for the Coroner’s Office to secure the Mercy site.

First Quarter 2013 Activity Report – Mediation and Family Court Services. Ms. Costrini-Norgal went over the report and answered the Committee’s questions regarding the report. Supervisor Knudson complimented Ms. Costrini-Norgal on the thoroughness of the report.

Chair Collins asked Ms. Costrini-Norgal how 2013 is comparing to previous years. Ms. Costrini-Norgal said the numbers are about the same but the sessions are becoming meaner and nastier. Chair Collins asked if she feels secure during the meetings. Ms. Costrini-Norgal said the Sheriff staff does a good job on making their presence known and that she has been reassured that the Courthouse Security Committee is working on tighter security.

Committee Requests and Motions.

Committee Tours

Jail Tour will be June 3, 2013 Chair Collins said the tour of the Sheriff’s Office and Jail will be June 3rd.

Chair Collins said the May 6th meeting will be held at Rock Valley. Supervisor Wiedenfeld asked if the tour of Rock Valley would include the Veterans facility. Supervisor Brill said he would be attending a meeting there and would relay the request to Ms. Eggers.

Adjournment. Supervisor Knudson moved adjournment at 4:38 P.M., second by Supervisor Brill. ADOPTED.

Respectfully submitted;

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