State of Wisconsin County of Iowa

Approved Minutes of the PUBLIC SAFETY MEETING Tuesday, June 27th, 2017 5:30 p.m. 222 N. Iowa Street Upper Level Conference Room Dodgeville, Wisconsin

Item	
1)	Chair Meek called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.
2)	Roll call was taken. Members present: Supervisors Demby, Meek, and Richter. Supervisor Forbes
	and Ross were absent. Others in attendance were Administrator Bierke, Chief Deputy Bennett, Jail
	Administrator P. Steffes, Supervisor Nankee, Nancy Tews, Amanda Gardner.
3)	Motion by Sup. Demby to approve and adopt the agenda for June 27, 2017 meeting. Seconded by Sup.
4	Richter– motion carried.
4)	Supervisor Richter moved to approve the minutes from January 3 rd , 2017 and March 7, 2017.
<u></u>	Seconded by Supervisor Demby – motion carried.
5)	Reports/Comments from Audience:
	Ms. Tews asked if there had been any information on the state inspection regarding the jail. Ms. Tews contacted the State and there was no report on file.
6)	Child Support 2016 Annual Report: Deb Rosenthal Director of Child Support submitted her written
	report to the committee due to being unable to attend. The Committee reviewed the report and noted
	that the department received a Certificate of Excellence Award from the Bureau of Child Support for
	meeting/exceeding standards in 2016. The committee noted that the department was 5 th in the State for
	collection rate of Child Support. Supervisor Nankee asked if the remodeling project was completed
	and if there was any issues. Administrator Bierke meets with Ms. Rosenthal on a monthly basis and nothing has been brought to his attention. Mr. Bierke did note that there will be a tour of the
	remodeled portion of the Courthouse prior to the August 15 th County Board meeting.
7)	Iowa County Humane Office Ordinance: was tabled until a later date.
8)	Sheriff's Office Employment Activity Report: Chief Deputy Bennett reported to the committee that
	currently the Department is at full staff until next week when Office Brad Hill retires. There have been
	27 applicants for this vacancy.
9)	New Jail Discussion: The Long Range Planning Committee forwarded the timeline for the new jail
	project. The Sheriff and County Administrator did approach several surrounding counties about a
	partnership on a joint jail but there is no interest. Jail Administrator Steffes informed the Committee
	that there have been several incidents of being overcapacity. Year to date \$15,000 has been spent on
	housing inmates out of county. This does not include the labor to move these inmates, time preparing
	them or transportation costs. Administrator Bierke said a referendum should be done in the fall of 2018. It was recommended that a citizen and board committee be formed to bring talking points to the
	public. Mr. Bierke will bring back a draft resolution to the next meeting to be reviewed by the
	committee and then forwarded to the County Board to allow the forming of such a committee.
10)	Preliminary First Quarter ending March 31, 2016 financials were reviewed.
11)	Next meeting will be on Tuesday, August 1, 2017 at 5:30 pm.
12)	Adjournment – Sup. Richter moved to adjourn at 6:26 p.m. Sup. Demby seconded – motion carried.