

**FOREST COUNTY
SHERIFF AND JUSTICE COMMITTEE MEETING**

Date: February 5th, 2018
Committee: Sheriff & Justice
Committee Members Present: Scott Shaffer, Lance Laabs
Sheriff: John Dennee
Chief Deputy: Alex Walrath
Other Appearances: Luke Johnson, Sam Wurtinger, Josh Bradley, Dana Bailey, William Chaney, Roger Wilson, Joe Krawze, Jason Theune, Chad Mullis, Melinda Chaney, James Whiteaker

MEETING MINUTES

1. 4:30 p.m. Shaffer called the meeting to order.
2. Roll Call
3. Motion by Laabs to approve the agenda as read at the discretion of the chairman. Seconded by Shaffer. Carried.
4. Motion by Laabs to approve the minutes from the January 2018 Sheriff & Justice Committee meeting. Seconded by Shaffer. Carried.
5. School and meeting requests. Chief Deputy Walrath requests to send Deputy James Jezeski to Basic SWAT training in Rhinelander WI. Motion by Shaffer to approve the request. Second by Laabs. Carried.
6. Motion by Shaffer to approve vouchers from the month of January 2018 as submitted. Seconded by Laabs. Carried.
7. Sokaogon Chippewa Representative. None
8. Discuss purchase of new portable radios. Chief Deputy Walrath requests to purchase two portable radios from Northway Communications Inc. Total cost of the radios are \$5256.48. See quote. Motion by Shaffer to approve the radio purchase. Second by Laabs. Carried.
9. Discuss education incentive pay for Deputies Punzel & Marchant. Chief Deputy Walrath advised the Sheriff & Justice committee that Deputies Punzel and Marchant are both eligible for the education incentive pay per the Union contract. Motion by Laabs to approve the education incentive pay. Second by Shaffer. Carried.
10. Discuss Dispatch needs. The Sheriff & Justice committee were advised by Emergency Management Director Jason Theune and Naunkca owner James Whiteaker that the 911 software is not supported any longer and in July of 2018 the "Enhance" feature will no longer function. James advised that the Sheriff's Office needs new anti-virus programs and the radios and consoles in Dispatch are obsolete. A motion was made by Laabs to forward the matter to the full county board with cost estimates to address the issues. Second by Shaffer. Carried.

11. Discuss snowmobile accident #201800000300. A discussion was held between The Sheriff's Office staff, Laona Fire Department staff, Crandon Rescue staff and County Board members. The discussion was reference how to better deal with accidents that occur in very remote places like the incident #201800000300. The majority of the discussion was focused on the problems associated with the radio communications. Suggestions were made to equip fire and rescue with portable repeaters. Another suggestion was to request a broadband committee be enacted by the Forest County Board to address the radio communication issues in Forest Co.
12. Any other business that may lawfully come before the committee. Sheriff Dennee advised the Sheriff & Justice committee that The Sheriff Office receive two checks from the Wi Dept. of Justice. One for \$300,000 for the County Law Enforcement grant and \$ 37,188.00 for the Tribal cooperative grant. Sheriff Dennee advised that Administrative Secretary McLean has collected a total of \$22,637.99 in jail debt through the PPS debt collection service.
13. Future agenda items. None.
14. Motion by Laabs to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Stamper. Carried.