

COMMITTEE: SHERIFF & JUSTICE  
DATE: 01/08/2024  
TIME: 4:30 P.M.  
PLACE: FOREST COUNTY BOARD ROOM

#### CALL TO ORDER

Chaney called the meeting to order at 4:30 P.M. and read the agenda.

#### ROLL CALL

Members Present: William Chaney, Tom Tallier, Dave Campbell, Brian Piasini

Absent: Luke Peterson,

Others present: Jeffery Marvin, Alex Walrath, Rob Huettl, Cindy Gretzinger

#### APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Tallier to approve the agenda as presented, second by Piasini. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

#### APPROVE MINUTES FROM THE DECEMBER 4, 2023 MEETING

Motion by Piasini to approve the minutes of the December 4, 2023 meeting, second by Tallier. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

#### SHERIFF AND JUSTICE COMMITTEE MEMBERS INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Tallier advised that he was told the Potawatomi and others in the Wabeno area have raised interest in restarting the Wabeno Police Department. Sheriff Marvin advised that he was contacted about the matter and has received a records request for the number of calls and patrol times in the area.

Tallier also brought up discussion of the possible medical marijuana laws in Wisconsin.

Sheriff Marvin advised the committee that he sent an e-mail to the Rescue Squads in Forest County reference the "2<sup>nd</sup> out" procedure the Sheriff's Office will follow when paging Rescue services. Marvin advised that if a Rescue Squad is not able to man a second rescue in a reasonable time the Sheriff's Office will page the closest rescue service by distance for emergency calls. If the call is not emergent the Sheriff's Office will follow the memorandum of understanding the rescue service has in place.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

None.

#### DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON TRAINING REQUESTS, IF ANY

None.

#### DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON PURCHASES, IF ANY

None.

#### DISCUSSION ON ANNUAL TRIBAL LAW GRANTS

Chief Deputy Walrath advised the committee that Tribal/Law Enforcement grants from the Sokaogon Chippewa and the Forest County Potawatomi were received along with the County Law Enforcement Assistance Program from the State of Wisconsin in the amount of \$376,320.00. Walrath also advised that the Sheriff's Office received \$5224.91 in reimbursements for new hire bonuses through an ARPA grant.

#### DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON JAIL/DISPATCH COMP TIME

Sheriff Marvin advised the committee that it has been the policy of the Sheriff's Office for many years that any over-time worked between December 15<sup>th</sup> and December 31<sup>st</sup> can be carried over to the new year as comp time. Marvin advised that requiring the over time be paid as cash is causing problems filling shifts over the holidays. Sheriff Marvin advised that it is his policy that any over time worked between the 15<sup>th</sup> and the 31<sup>st</sup> of December can be carried over as comp time into the new year. Motion by Tallier to have Sheriff Marvin send his written policy to the next Personnel committee meeting, second by Campbell. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

#### DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON NEW HIRE BONUSES

Sheriff Marvin advised that the hiring bonuses expired on the 31<sup>st</sup> of December and several new employees were hired the first couple days of January and are expecting the hiring bonus. Marvin advised that he does not want to potentially lose new employees because they thought they were getting a hiring bonus and now they are not. Chairwoman Gretzinger recommended the matter be sent to the Finance committee. Motion by Campbell to forward the matter to the Finance committee, second by Tallier. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

#### DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON MAINTENANCE POSITION

Sheriff Marvin advised the committee that there is a definite need for a 16 hour per week maintenance man at the Sheriff's Office. Marvin advised that the current employee is working well and is also willing to assist the courthouse maintenance personnel if needed. Marvin stated he is going to continue to utilize the maintenance man for 16 hours/week. Chairwoman Gretzinger advised the committee to leave the position as is and they will figure out how to cover the extra 8 hours/week pay.

#### APPROVE DECEMBER VOUCHERS FOR PAYMENT

Motion by Chaney to approve vouchers from the month of December 2024 as submitted, seconded by Piasini. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

#### ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY LAWFULLY COME BEFORE THE COMMITTEE

None

#### FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

#### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, motion by Piasini to adjourn, second by Campbell. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

These minutes are not official and are subject to change. They will be officially approved at the next scheduled Sheriff & Justice meeting.