

COMMITTEE: SHERIFF & JUSTICE  
DATE: 10/01/2024  
TIME: 5:30 P.M.  
PLACE: FOREST COUNTY BOARD ROOM

#### CALL TO ORDER

Alan Marvin called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. and read the agenda.

#### ROLL CALL

Members Present: Alan Marvin, William Chaney, Tom Tallier, Brian Piasini, Luke Peterson.

Absent:

Others present: Jeffery Marvin, Alex Walrath, Bruce Decorah, Tony Weber, Amanda Herman, numerous members of the public, Sheriff's office and Courthouse employees.

#### APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Chaney to approve the agenda as presented and forgo the reading of the agenda, second by Tallier. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

#### APPROVE MINUTES FROM THE SEPTEMBER 3, 2024 MEETING

Motion by Peterson to approve the minutes of the September 3, 2024 meeting, second by Piasini. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

#### SHERIFF AND JUSTICE COMMITTEE MEMBERS INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Sheriff Marvin advised the committee that in the 09/25/24 personnel committee meeting it was discussed that Emergency Management would oversee the towers and grants for the Dispatch Center. Sheriff Marvin advised that the minutes for the personnel committee meeting states that Emergency Management will oversee the Dispatch Center. Sheriff Marvin advised the minutes are wrong and Emergency Management will not oversee the Dispatch Center and that will be done by the Sheriff and Chief Deputy.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

None.

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

None.

#### UPDATE FROM DISTRICT ATTORNEY SEIFERT

None.

#### DISCUSSION ON MONTHLY BUDGET REPORTS

Alan Marvin had questions for Dispatch Sgt. Robbie Huettl reference a possible change in the Dispatch Sgt's job title, job duties and pay structure that was discussed in the prior months meeting. Alan Marvin also asked how much money was in the Dispatch Referendum account. He was advised there is currently \$833,000.00.

Alan Marvin had some questions about the proposed Dispatcher wages for 2025 and he was advised the numbers were put on the budget proposal by Forest Co. Clerk Nora Matuszewski.

Sheriff Marvin advised the committee that he provided them a handout with a list of \$422,030.00 worth of cuts to his initial proposed budget. Some of the cut items were discussed.

Suggestion was made to move on with the agenda until the Forest Co. Clerk is available to assist.

#### DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON INMATE MEDICAL CONTRACTS

Sheriff Marvin advised the Sheriff's Office is working on an inmate medical contract with Southern Health Care that will save Forest Co. approx. \$90,000 over the current provider ACH. Alan Marvin requested a copy of both contracts for comparison.

#### DISCUSSION ON BRUSH RUN COSTS

Sheriff Marvin provided a handout containing the overtime and regular wage costs for the fall Brush run. Alan Marvin requested a 3-year tally of overtime costs from the Brush run.

#### DISCUSSION ON DRUG ACCOUNTS AND FUNDING

Chief Deputy Walrath explained what the Drug Trafficking Grant accounts are used for and where the money comes from. Walrath also explained what the drug fund is used for and where the money comes from.

#### DISCUSSION ON VEHICLE INSURANCE CLAIMS ACCOUNT FOR 2024

Alan Marvin asked Sheriff Marvin to explain the vehicle insurance claims account. Sheriff Marvin advised that the deductible to vehicle accident is \$2500/accident. Sheriff Marvin advised they were a lot of claims early in the year and there will probably be some more with the whitetail rut approaching. Sheriff Marvin advised he has addressed this issue with the Deputies.

#### DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ADDITIONAL K-9

Sheriff Marvin advised that the Friends of Forest County K-9's is willing to finance the cost of a third K-9. The Friends for Forest County K-9's cannot cover the handler expenses but they could possibly make a donation to cover the handler expenses. Alan Marvin requested the Friends for Forest County K-9 write a proposal and state what they are willing to pay for and how long.

#### DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON COUNTY/TRIBAL LAW ENFORCEMENT GRANT RESOLUTION

Chief Deputy Walrath provided a resolution for the annual County/Tribal Law Enforcement Grant. Walrath advised the grant is annual and part of the application is a resolution from the county board. Walrath asked that the resolution be forwarded to the full County Board for approval on October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Motion by Chaney to forward the resolution to the full County Board on October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024 and a second by Piasini. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

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

None.

#### APPROVE SEPTEMBER VOUCHERS FOR PAYMENT

Motion by Chaney to approve the vouchers from the month of September 2024 as submitted, second by Tallier. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

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

Sheriff Marvin advised the committee that he does not feel the County Board understands the number of complaints and crimes that the Sheriff's Office handles routinely. Sheriff Marvin stated he will start bringing monthly tallies to the meetings.

#### FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Written proposal from the Friends for Forest County K-9's.

Possible proposal pertaining to the 3<sup>rd</sup> K-9 Deputy working nightshift for an extended period.

#### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, motion by Chaney to adjourn, second by Peterson.

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.