



MINUTES
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2023 – 8:15 AM
JUSTICE CENTER - ROOM 101A (SHERIFF'S CONFERENCE)
1201 S. SPRING STREET, PORT WASHINGTON, WI 53074

1. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Public Safety Committee was held in room 101A at the Justice Center.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
R. Nelson	Chairperson	Present	
J. Haas	Vice-Chairperson	Present	
P. Foy	Supervisor District 26	Present	
T. Maguire	Supervisor District 15	Present	
J. Krane	Supervisor District 24	Excused	

Staff present: County Administrator Dzwinel, Sheriff Knowles, Undersheriff Hermann, Clerk of Circuit Court Mueller, District Attorney Gerol, Medical Examiner Warnke, Deputy County Clerk Niemuth and Deputy County Clerk Quaas.

Others present: Port Washington Police and Fire Commission Chairman Jim Biever, Port Washington Police Chief Kevin Hingiss, and Port Washington Police Captain Craig Czarnecki.

2. PROPER NOTICE

Chairperson Nelson called the meeting to order at 8:15 AM. The clerk noticed the meeting as required.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS, CORRESPONDENCE, COMMUNICATIONS

Under public comment, Port Washington Police Chief Hingiss addressed the committee regarding the newly implemented radio system. He expressed concern about the volume issues users have been having when using radios, and stated it is a safety issue that should be corrected.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. November 16 & 29, 2022

Motion to approve the November 16 & 29, 2022 minutes as submitted.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**

MOVER: T. Maguire, Supervisor District 15

SECONDER: P. Foy, Supervisor District 26

AYES: Nelson, Haas, Foy, Maguire

EXCUSED: Krane

5. MEDICAL EXAMINER

a. *Management/Financial/Informational Reports:*

1. Medical Examiner's Financial Report

Update on staffing, autopsies, cremations, potential fee increases. Question on purchased services.

6. DISTRICT ATTORNEY

a. *Management/Financial/Informational Reports*

1. District Attorney Financial Reports

Report on the backlog of cases due to delayed toxicology reports, staffing concerns in area county District Attorney offices and the ongoing jury trial. Discussion on delayed toxicology reporting and the State Crime Lab.

7. CLERK OF COURTS

a. *Management/Financial/Informational Reports:*

1. Clerk of Courts Financial Report

Ms. Mueller reported on financials, increase in caseload, reorganization of office, and staff recruitment.

8. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

a. *Action Items:*

1. Increase of Revenue Budget Amendment for a Wisconsin Department of Military Affairs - 2023 Public Safety Answering Point Program Grant for the Ozaukee County Sheriff's Office

Motion to approve the 2023 Public Safety Answering Point Program Grant increase of revenue budget amendment in the amount of \$132,415.68. This budget amendment will move forward to the Finance Committee for further action.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

RESULT: **APPROVED AND FORWARDED [UNANIMOUS] Next:**
 2/23/2023 8:00 AM

MOVER: P. Foy, Supervisor District 26

SECONDER: J. Haas, Vice-Chairperson

AYES: Nelson, Haas, Foy, Maguire

EXCUSED: Krane

2. Transfer of Funds - Fire/Emergency Management Services Records Management and Wireless Agent

Motion to approve the transfer of funds in the amount of \$225,000 for ProPhoenix Records Management and Wireless Device Management Software. This budget amendment will move forward to the Finance Committee for further action.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

RESULT: **APPROVED AND FORWARDED [UNANIMOUS] Next:**
 2/23/2023 8:00 AM

MOVER: P. Foy, Supervisor District 26

SECONDER: T. Maguire, Supervisor District 15

AYES: Nelson, Haas, Foy, Maguire

EXCUSED: Krane

b. *Management/Financial/Informational Reports:*

1. Management/Financial Reports

Sheriff Knowles reported on financials, staffing, dispatch recruitment, and the jail population.

Chairperson Nelson announced that a closed session has been proposed under the provisions of Section 19.85 (1)(b) of the WI Statutes for the purpose of personnel discipline.

Motion made by Supervisor Haas, seconded by Supervisor Maguire that the committee enters into closed session for this purpose. Roll call vote was taken. Motion carried unanimously.

9. CLOSED SESSION

Pursuant to Section 19.85 (1)(b) of the WI Statute: Personnel Discipline

9:23 AM Committee in closed session. Four Committee members, Sheriff Knowles, Undersheriff Hermann, and Deputy County Clerk Quaas.

Motion made by Supervisor Maguire, seconded by Supervisor Haas to return to open session. Motion carried unanimously.

10. OPEN SESSION

9:45 AM Committee returned to open session. Present: Four committee members, Knowles, Hermann, and Quaas.

11. ACTION ITEMS:

a. Consideration of Sheriff's Recommendation of Disciplinary Action

Motion to support the Sheriff's recommendation for discipline as just cause was met.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**

MOVER: P. Foy, Supervisor District 26

SECONDER: J. Haas, Vice-Chairperson

AYES: Nelson, Haas, Foy, Maguire

EXCUSED: Krane

12. NEXT MEETING DATE

Tuesday, March 21, 2023

13. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Supervisor Foy, seconded by Supervisor Haas to adjourn. Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 9:48 AM.

Tyler Quaas, Deputy County Clerk