



MINUTES
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, AUGUST 15, 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	Present	

Staff present: County Administrator Dzwinel, Sheriff Knowles, Undersheriff Hermann, Clerk of Circuit Court Mueller, Medical Examiner Warnke, Deputy Medical Examiner Davis, Judge Malloy, Finance Director Jay McMahon, District Attorney Gerol, and Deputy County Clerk Quaas.

Others present- Supervisor Winker, Dan Delorit, Village of Grafton President, Mikko Hilvo, City of Cedarburg Administrator, David Bialk, Southern Ozaukee Fire Department Chief, Bill Rice, Village of Grafton & Saukville Fire Chief, and Jeff Vahsholtz, City of Cedarburg Fire Chief.

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 Judge Malloy reported that things are going well in court system, case counts are at a similar level as last year, there has been an increase in emergency detentions, and a state funding update. Dan Delorit, Mikko Hilvo, David Bialk, Bill Rice, and Jeff Vahsholtz addressed their concerns with the potential reduction in EMS Grant funding.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. July 5 and July 18, 2023

Motion to approve the July 5 & July 18, 2023 minutes as submitted.

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RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	T. Maguire, Supervisor District 15
SECONDER:	P. Foy, Supervisor District 26
AYES:	Nelson, Haas, Foy, Maguire, Krane

5. MEDICAL EXAMINER

a. Management/Financial/Informational Reports:**1. Medical Examiner's Report**

Update on staffing and overdose deaths for the year.

6. DISTRICT ATTORNEY**a. Management/Financial/Informational Reports****1. District Attorney Financial Reports**

Update on staffing, office organization and functionality, and state crime lab testing.

7. CLERK OF COURTS**a. Management/Financial/Informational Reports:****1. Clerk of Courts Financial Report**

Update on court services from the state, court caseload, and budget status.

8. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT**a. Action Item****1. EMS Grant Program Recommendations**

Motion made by Supervisor Haas, seconded by Supervisor Maguire to recommend the EMS Grant Program funding total \$4.3 million with disbursements as follows: \$900,000 to Mequon-Thiensville, \$600,000 to Cedarburg, \$900,000 to Grafton, \$300,000 to Saukville, \$300,000 for the Grafton-Saukville consolidation, \$600,000 to Port Washington, and \$700,000 to Fredonia-Belgium. Contingencies including: quarterly reporting to the Public Safety Committee, funds to be used only for personnel, annual review with fire chiefs and the Public Safety Committee to evaluate unspent funds and if they needed to be reallocated somewhere else.

Questions on personnel spending, effects of staff shortages, county priorities, Lasata CBRF, and ARPA timelines.

Chairperson Nelson recognized Supervisor Winker to address the committee and offer his support for Supervisor Haas' recommendation.

Chairperson Nelson recognized Chief Rice and Dan Delorit to address the committee with their concerns if the County does not fully fund the grant program.

The majority of the members present not voting aye, the motion failed. (2-3) Nelson, Krane, and Foy opposed.

Chairperson Nelson recognized Mikko Hilvo to address the committee on staffing funding.

Chairperson Nelson recognized Supervisor Winker to speak on Wisconsin Act 12 and grant monies available to municipalities.

Motion to approve the County Administrator's recommendation for the EMS Grant Program to be funded at \$2.325 million.

Discussion on the intent of Resolution 21-72 and the number of Fire Paramedic positions countywide.

Motion made by Supervisor Haas, seconded by Supervisor Maguire to revise the recommendation to remove the funding allocation for the Village of Thiensville. The majority of the members present not voting aye, the motion failed. (2-3) Nelson, Krane, and Foy opposed.

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**RESULT: APPROVED AND FORWARDED [3 TO 2] Next: 8/28/2023
 3:00 PM**

MOVER: P. Foy, Supervisor District 26

SECONDER: J. Krane, Supervisor District 24

AYES: Nelson, Foy, Krane

NAYS: Haas, Maguire

b. Discussion Items:

1. Tour of County Dispatch Center

Departed for tour of County Dispatch Center at the conclusion of the meeting.

c. Management/Financial/Informational Reports:

1. Management/Financial Reports

Update on staff overtime, jail boarding, and recruiting.

9. NEXT MEETING DATE

September 19, 2023

10. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Supervisor Foy, seconded by Supervisor Maguire to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:04 AM.

Tyler Quaas, Deputy County Clerk