



MINUTES
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2025 – 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	
S. Rishel	Vice-Chairperson	Present	
T. Maguire	Supervisor District 15	Present	
J. Hansher	Supervisor District 24	Present	
C. Taylor	Supervisor District 13	Present	

Staff present: County Administrator Dzwinel, Sheriff Knowles, Undersheriff Hermann, Clerk of Circuit Court Mueller, District Attorney Lindsay, Medical Examiner Feiertag, and County Clerk Kretlow.

Others Present: Joe Porth

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

Mr. Porth stated concerns regarding the speeds being driven on Port Washington Road, especially between the times of 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm and addressed the number of accidents at the intersections of Port Washington Road and Lakefield Road and Port Washington Road and Falls Road.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. December 10, 2024 and January 15, 2025

Motion to approve the December 4, 2024 and January 15, 2025 minutes as submitted.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE	
RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	T. Maguire, Supervisor District 15
SECONDER:	J. Hansher, Supervisor District 24
AYES:	Nelson, Rishel, Maguire, Hansher, Taylor

5. ACTION ITEMS:

- a. Resolution: Resolution Urging Governor Evers and the Wisconsin Legislature to Support the County Courts

Motion to approve the Resolution Urging Governor Evers and the Wisconsin Legislature to Support the County Courts. This resolution will move forward to the County Board for final action.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]****MOVER:** S. Rishel, Vice-Chairperson**SECONDER:** T. Maguire, Supervisor District 15**AYES:** Nelson, Rishel, Maguire, Hansher, Taylor**b. Recommendation of Public Safety Projects to Executive Committee**

Mr. Dzwinel, Sheriff Knowles and Ms. Mueller reviewed the projects recommended by staff and addressed questions from the committee.

Motion to support staff recommendations of Justice Center Lobby, Hallway and Clerk of Court Front Counter, Axon Camera and Taser Purchase, CSU Package Scanner, CSU Security Door, Co-Responder Unit Office, Locution Solutions Fire Dispatching, SCU Livescan Booking Station and Rescue Boat Repaint. The recommendations will move forward to the Executive Committee for further action.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]****MOVER:** J. Hansher, Supervisor District 24**SECONDER:** T. Maguire, Supervisor District 15**AYES:** Nelson, Rishel, Maguire, Hansher, Taylor**6. MEDICAL EXAMINER****a. Management/Financial/Informational Reports:****1. Medical Examiner Report**

There were no questions.

7. DISTRICT ATTORNEY**a. Management/Financial/Informational Reports****1. DA Financials**

Update on financials, staffing and the number of felony cases in 2024.

8. CLERK OF COURTS**a. Management/Financial/Informational Reports:****1. January 2025 Clerk of Courts Financial Report**

Update on financials, staffing, and jury trials.

9. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT**a. Management/Financial/Informational Reports:****1. Management/Financial Reports**

Update on financials, staffing, jail boarding, jail population and jail mental health cases.

Sheriff Knowles informed the committee that the jail medical contract ends this year. The monthly medical numbers for the nurses last month was 230 calls, 300 detox patients, 70 transfer to ER, 10 are in the hospital and 26 have mental health issues. These numbers continue to be the norm not the exception.

Chairperson Nelson announced that a closed session has been proposed pursuant to Section 19.85 (1)(c) of the Wisconsin State Statutes for the purpose of conducting promotional interviews of Lieutenant candidates.

Motion made by Supervisor Hansher, seconded by Supervisor Maguire to enter into closed session for this purpose. Roll call vote was taken. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. (5-0)

10. CLOSED SESSION

Pursuant to Section 19.85 (1)(c) of the Wis. Stats. for the Purpose of Conducting Promotional Interviews of Candidates for Detective

Entered into closed session at 9:10 AM.

Present: Nelson, Rishel, Maguire, Hansher, Taylor, Knowles, Hermann

Commenced interviews of Detective candidates.

Motion made by Supervisor Rishel, seconded by Supervisor Taylor to reconvene into open session. Roll call vote taken. Motion carried. (5-0)

11. OPEN SESSION

Entered into open session at 10:32 AM.

a. Action Item

1. Review/Approve Certification of Promotional Eligibility List for Detective

Interviewing of candidates will continue on Friday, February 21st at 4:00 PM.

NEXT MEETING DATE

March 18, 2025

12. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Supervisor Maguire, seconded by Supervisor Rishel to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:33 AM.

Kellie Kretlow, County Clerk

Marshall Hermann, Undersheriff