



PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 17, 2026

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

Present	Supervisor Rick Nelson, Supervisor Tim Maguire, Supervisor Jeffrey Hansher, Supervisor Claude Taylor, Supervisor Derek DeMent
Absent	None
Excused	None

Staff present: County Administrator Dzwinel, District Attorney Lindsay, Clerk of Circuit Court Mueller, Sheriff Knowles, Undersheriff Hermann, Medical Examiner Luecke, County Clerk Kretlow, Deputy Clerk Hoff

Others Present: Scott Fischer

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

There were none.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

December 3, 2025

Motion:	Motion to approve the December 3, 2025 minutes as submitted.
Result:	Passed
Moved by:	Tim Maguire
Seconded by:	Claude Taylor
Ayes:	Rick Nelson, Tim Maguire, Jeffrey Hansher, Claude Taylor, Derek DeMent
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None

5. ACTION ITEMS

- a. Recommendation of Public Safety Projects to the Executive Committee

Several projects were submitted to the Department of Administration. Mr. Dzwinel reviewed the projects recommended by staff and addressed questions from the committee.

Motion:	Motion to support the staff recommendations of the Courthouse Security Enhancements and Range Asphalt projects. This recommendation will move forward to the Executive Committee for further action.
Result:	Passed
Moved by:	Jeffrey Hansher
Seconded by:	Tim Maguire
Ayes:	Rick Nelson, Tim Maguire, Jeffrey Hansher, Claude Taylor, Derek DeMent
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None

6. MEDICAL EXAMINER

- a. Management/Financial/Informational Reports

Update on staffing, financials, and autopsies.

7. DISTRICT ATTORNEY

- a. Management/Financial/Informational Reports

Mr. Lindsay explained that there has been a shift in the types of cases being prosecuted by the District Attorney's office and addressed the necessity for increased staffing as the Victim Witness staff has reached its maximum limits.

8. CLERK OF COURTS

- a. Management/Financial/Informational Reports

Update regarding staffing, budget disbursement to the commissioner, appointment of a new commissioner, and the generous juror program.

9. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

- a. Management/Financial/Informational Reports

Update regarding overtime, staffing, jail renovation, Co-Responder Team and the benefits of utilizing Zenova's virtual healthcare services.

10. NEXT MEETING DATE

March 17, 2026

11. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Supervisor Maguire, seconded by Supervisor Hansher to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:02 AM.

Anna Hoff, Deputy Clerk