

LAW ENFORCEMENT MEETING

Approved

11 April 2023

The Waupaca County Law Enforcement Committee was called to order at 9:00a.m. by Chair Will.

Members present: Chair Will, Vice-Chair Much, Supervisor Koeppen, Hardy, Johnson and Ertyl (via zoom). Others present: Sheriff Wilz, Chief Deputy Carl Artz, Captain Todd Rasmussen, Capt Nick Traeger, Capt Kevin Studzinski, Captain Adam Wogsland, LT Russel, Lt Wiskirchen, and Medical Examiner Cathi Wegener.

Chair Will gave the open meeting statement that this meeting and all other meetings of this Committee are open to the public. Proper notice has been posted and given to the media, in accordance with Wisconsin Statutes, so that the citizenry may be aware of the time, place and agenda of this meeting.

Motion by Supervisor Hardy, seconded by Supervisor Much to approve the agenda. Motion carried without a negative vote.

Motion by Supervisor Hardy and seconded by Supervisor Much, to approve the minutes of the March meeting. Motion carried without a negative vote. Take DA out of the minutes from last month. Also Tom Johnson was there in person

Motion by Supervisor Johnson, and Second by Supervisor Much, to approve the bills submitted. Motion carried without a negative vote.

Motion by Supervisor Tom Johnson, and Second by Supervisor Dick Koeppen, to approve the deer pick up as submitted. Motion carried without a negative vote. \$600 a month (additional \$100 compared to the budget) for the rest of this budget and to re-evaluate for next budget. Unanimous vote. Jim Hofferber introduced himself, has been doing deer pick up for the last 10 years for Waupaca Sheriff's Office.

Public Comment: None.

Lt Studzinski (Comm Center): Went over report, will be on file, and announced National Telecommunicator week

Captain Wogsland: Went over report, will be on file for viewing.

Captain Traeger: Sheriff introduced Captain Traeger as the new Detective Captain. Capt Trager went over report, will be on file for viewing.

Captain Rasmussen: Went over report, will be on file for viewing. Personal note: hired Ryan Makuski who previously worked for Waupaca PD, he is currently training with us. Traffic arrests are up, due two factors newer/younger Deputies and OWI grant which puts extra Officers on the road.

Kim Bosquez: Records division isn't here. Report has been handed off and will be placed on file for viewing.

Chief Deputy Artz: Went over report, will be on file for viewing. 22% capacity in the budget only 3 months into the year. Would like a better look at tracking on tow bills and squads. We budget 5% currently. Only if we are holding the car does the County pay for it, we would try to be reimbursed once finished holding it. Would like to have a tracking for this.

Sheriff Wilz: Would like to make note of what Captain Studzinski stated, National Telecommunicator week to honor our Telecommunicators. Governor signed a bill for Corrections Officers to get protective status. It's up to the Counties to decide if they want to pay that extra or make it solely on the Officers to make that protective status. Requesting this be added to the next agenda.

Pay Raise for Reserves: We used to have a robust amount of applicants/reserves. Reserves were people we would hire when there was 1 job for 200 applicants now it's 5 openings for 1 officer. People coming out of school can get a full time job with better pay versus work for us for \$17/hour. We are down to 6 reserves, 1 is certified. We have to do one of two things, either raise the pay, or disband it all together. Reserves used for Iola car show, Fleases Campground, Strawberry fest, weddings, rodeo, Threshere, any big event requested for. Request an increase in pay for \$21/hour for non-certified officers and \$25/hour for anyone that is certified. We do get reimbursed for some of the expense for the reserves.

Motion by Supervisor Tom Johnson, and Second by Supervisor Cindy Hardy, to increase the compensation for the reserve officers to the amount suggested by the Sheriff, for non-certified \$21, for certified \$25/hour. Recommendation goes to finance. Motion carried without a negative vote.

Request ARPA funds for body cams: We have been testing a body camera, same company we have for our in car camera. \$200,000 will cover the cameras. Request for a presentation for the full County Board, so they have a better understanding of it.

Medical Contract Vote-Jail: Came up with \$10,000/month to pay for the staff. To go in to affect in April, asked if they could move it to June, which they agreed. Looking at starting this on June 1st, 2023 for the remainder of the year into next year when the contract would be up. Looking at \$10,068/month. Will be brought to finance tomorrow if approved.

Motion by Supervisor Tom Johnson, and Second by Supervisor Dick Koeppen, to increase the medical contract starting June 1, 2023. Motion carried without a negative vote.

Medical Examiner: Went over report, will be on file for viewing.

Supervisor Reports: None.

Next meeting will be May 9, 2023 at 9am.

Motion by Supervisor Kevin Will, seconded by Supervisor Dick Koeppen to adjourn the meeting at 10:22 am. Motion carried without a negative vote.

Lindsey Diercks, Records Specialist