

Criminal Justice, Public Safety and Emergency Communications Committee

*Meeting Minutes
March 23, 2022*

PRESENT: Chairman Pete Walrod
Vice Chairman Rex Vosburg
Supervisor Loren Corbin
Supervisor Cliff Moses
Supervisor Bill Zupan (via Zoom)

ALSO: County Administrator Mark Scimone
County Attorney Tina Wayland-Smith (via Zoom 9:16 a.m.)
First Assistant County Attorney Jeff Aumell
Emergency Management Director Dan Degear
Director of 911 Frank McFall
Undersheriff Bill Wilcox
Probation Director Joanne Miller
Director of Finance Lou Anne Randall
Public Information Officer Samantha Field
Treasurer Cindy Edick
Corporate Compliance Officer Christina Kennedy (via Zoom)
MORE Coordinator Rachel Copland
Community Services Coordinator Tennille Kochanowski

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Pete Walrod at 9:00 a.m. in the Chambers.

Minutes:

The minutes of the February 23, 2022 meeting were unanimously approved on the motion of Supervisor Cliff Moses and second of Chairman Pete Walrod.

Probation:

Probation Director Joanne Miller presented the following resolution to the Committee:

Authorizing the Modification of the 2022 Adopted County Budget (3140 Probation)

The Committee unanimously approved the resolution on the motion of Moses and second of Corbin.

Sheriff's Office:

Undersheriff Bill Wilcox presented the following resolutions to the Committee:

Authorizing the Chairman to Apply for a Grant from the National Highway Safety Administration (Madison County Traffic Safety Plan)

The Committee unanimously approved the resolution on the motion of Vosburg and second of Moses.

Authorizing the Chairman to Apply for a Grant from the National Highway Safety Administration (Police Traffic Services)

The Committee unanimously approved the resolution on the motion of Corbin and second of Zupan.

Authorizing the Chairman to Amend an Agreement with Tyler Technologies, Inc.

The Committee unanimously approved the resolution on the motion of Moses and second of Walrod.

Authorizing Attendance at an Out-Of-State Conference (Sheriff)

The Committee unanimously approved the resolution on the motion of Zupan and second of Moses.

Authorizing the Chairman to Accept Grant Funds from PERMA

The Committee unanimously approved the resolution on the motion of Corbin and second of Zupan.

Discussion: New body armor that has to be replaced every five years. Undersheriff Wilcox said it will cover most of it.

Supervisor Bill Zupan requested some radar patrols on Fenner Road near the school athletic fields. Zupan said they had put a request in to lower the speed limit there but it got turned down, and they are getting complaints of speeding cars through there. Undersheriff Wilcox said that it has already been addressed. Zupan said they bought some moveable speed signs that they will put up too that will hopefully help with the problem.

Emergency Management:

Emergency Management Director Dan Degear presented the following resolutions to the Committee:

Authorizing Attendance at an Out-Of-State Conference (Emergency Management)

The Committee unanimously approved the resolution on the motion of Moses and second of Corbin.

Authorizing the Modification of the 2022 Adopted County Budget (3645 Homeland Security) – Hazard Mitigation Plan

The Committee unanimously approved the resolution on the motion of Moses and second of Corbin.

Director of Emergency Management Dan Degear provided the following updates:

- Next meeting for Hazard Mitigation Update Planning Committee on Zoom will be April 5th at 10:00 a.m. Have put out a request to all municipalities to set-up their one-on-one meetings.
- ALSFR CON has run some calls; not as many as we would like to see but quite a few. The car is currently running Tuesday-Saturday from 12:00-8:00 p.m. Making changes as needed.
- Planning on making some policy changes. System status policy will come to the Committee next month for approval. If there is no paramedic on duty, want it to be radioed in to let dispatch know so they will be put in as BLS only. If it doesn't get radioed in, dispatch will ping them twice a day to find out their status. Will also bring to the Committee for consideration next month a policy change for three minute alerting for Fire Department's on medical calls. They are alerted now every five minutes but would like to change it to three minutes.
- Getting second fly car ready to go out. Will have two cars on during the busiest times; Friday nights and Saturdays. Will be hiring more per diem staff. Also looking for secure space for

the second car in a garage that has cameras.

- Moving forward with the Integrated Healthcare contract which is currently under review. Will hopefully be in front of the Committee next month.
- Had first meeting with Spillman on the CAD/RMS. Next step is they will send a representative out to spend four days in the 911 center, and they will also meet with each law enforcement agency to understand their needs. Might be some minor changes in how we operate to make the program work the best.
- Talked a couple months ago about helping local Police Departments to lease our equipment in their vehicles so they can access our network with our IT department maintaining it. Reached out to them and most responded they had good equipment already and didn't need to do that. The concern is if the computer equipment they use to access the County network could be a Cyber Security risk. Will set-up a meeting with Paul Lutwak and the Police Departments to see what their needs are and discuss further.
- Portable radio replacements have been distributed to local Police Departments.
- Completed the duty statement for a Public Safety System Specialist position for CAD management for 911 and sent to Personnel for review.
- CSEA White Collar Contract is up this year. Would like to add 12 hour shifts for 911 to the contract.
- If there is another round of ARPA funds, would like to have pavement done at the Training Center.

Director of 911 Frank McFall provided the following updates:

- In the process of hiring another full-time dispatcher. Have one person training for part-time.
- Have a couple more openings to look at and fill with the next Civil Service list.
- Have one dispatcher who is transferring to Onondaga County and whose last day is Saturday.
- County Administrator Mark Scimone said that the contract for 12 hour shifts would take time and suggested approaching Personnel about the possibility of doing a MOU with CSEA. McFall said we didn't have enough dispatchers to cover the full 12 hours now but the option would be great.

Other Committee Business:

First Assistant County Attorney Jeff Aumell presented the following resolutions to the Committee:

Authorizing the Modification of the 2022 County Budget (1171 ACP)

The Committee unanimously approved the resolution on the motion of Moses and second of Corbin.

Authorizing the Modification of the 2022 County Budget (1172 ACP)

The Committee unanimously approved the resolution on the motion of Moses and second of Corbin.

Aumell said that he saw the fly car story on Spectrum news and it was very well done.

Rachel Copland, MORE (Madison County Opportunities for Re-entry and Employment) Coordinator, discussed with the Committee this new program in Madison County. The program was created to increase economic opportunities for those recently released from jail. The program combines 10-week group training sessions while individuals are incarcerated, followed by individualized case management services upon release. Inmates receive soft skills training while

incarcerated and upon release the individual will work one-on-one with an Employment Coordinator to find jobs. Funding comes from Alliance for Economic Inclusion. Services include a 10-week re-entry and readiness curriculum in Madison County Correctional Facility, individual case management post release, support in securing stable employment, support in securing stable housing, weekly community availability of MORE Coordinator, funding for housing, interview clothing, transportation and job materials depending on eligibility and program participation. Copland stated that the program just began and that they just delivered the first module on Monday. They distributed an interest survey in the jail and the biggest thing people want is awareness of resources. The goal is to graduate 75 individuals over three years. Copland said she will come back when she has data to update the Committee on how the program is going. Copland encourages any Committee members or stakeholders to reach out to her for more information or to offer community support/partnership suggestions, primarily in employment and housing.

Preferred Agenda:

The Committee unanimously approved including all resolutions, with the exception of Authorizing Attendance at an Out-Of-State Conference (Sheriff) and Authorizing Attendance at an Out-Of-State Conference (Emergency Management), in the Committee's Preferred Agenda on a motion of Moses and second of Vosburg.

Adjournment:

The Committee adjourned at 10:05 a.m. on the motion of Vosburg and second of Moses.

Next Meeting Date:

Wednesday, April 27, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Tricia Wiley on behalf of Chairman Paul H. Walrod.