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Minutes of the meeting of the Public Safety Committee.

Sawyer County Board of Supervisors

April 4, 2019; 8:30 a.m.; Assembly Room; Sawyer County Courthouse

Members present: Bill Voight, Dale Schleeter, Helen Dennis, James Schlender, Ron Buckholtz

Others present: Carol Williamson, Pat Sanchez, Nate Dunston, Doug Mrotek, John Froemel, Sherrie Shelton, Marge Kelsey, Joe Sajdera, Craig Faulstich, Greg Ripczinski, John Kruk, Terrell Boetcher

Chair Bill Voight called the meeting to order at 8:30 am.

Motion by Buckholtz, 2nd by Dennis, to approve the minutes of the March 7, 2019 meeting. Motion carried

Clerk of Court Marge Kelsey provided a written report to the Committee. Court Commissioners are handling stipulated divorces. May divert small claims court trials to commissioners also.

Child Support Director Sandy Okamoto provided a written report to the Committee.

Sheriff Mrotek reported to the Committee. Mrotek attended an opioid workshop in Ohio and will present to the County Board April 16. Sheriff Mrotek introduced and welcomed Lieutenant Greg Ripczinski to the Committee. Spillman records management system is scheduled to go live April 23. Three employees graduated from a month of jail school with Jenna Petit graduating top of the class. Currently 97 inmates, 4 housed in Bayfield. Five inmates are out on electronic monitoring. Four inmates participating in cooking skills training. Lieutenant Joe Sajdera also provided the 2018 annual jail inspection report. Sawyer County has 25 state certified officers. Sheriff Mrotek commended Lieutenant Sajdera and Chief Deputy Faulstich for the successful audit of the training and standards records.

Animal Control Officer Sherrie Shelton reported to the Committee. Shelton provided a written report. LCO is accepting applications for the animal control position until April 11. The Humane Society recognized Shelton at their dinner for her service to the county. Vaccination clinic at New Posit and the Tribal Center on May 7. A \$40,000 grant will provide free vaccinations and supplies. The Humane Society will assist with the clinic.

Coroner John Froemel provided a written report to the Committee. Coroner processing records electronically. Deputy coroners attending death investigation training.

Emergency Management Director Pat Sanchez presented a written report. Skywarn spotter training courses on April 13 and April 15. Discussed the Pipestone Tower and possible funding needs to build a shelter for the generator. The Committee discussed the condition of Tower Road and who is responsible for upkeep. Town of Radisson receives the gas tax.

Communication Specialist John Kruk provided a written report regarding the Pipestone Tower and possible radio frequency interference issues at the Moose Lake site.

The Criminal Justice Coordinating Council meets Monday, April 8, at 7:30.

Sawyer County Ambulance Director Nate Dunston provided a written report to the Committee. Promoted Brandon Frierhood to the paramedic position. The Barnes EMS sub-committee is planning to speak at the May Public Safety Committee meeting. Dunston working with LCO on ambulance billing.

The July meeting of the Public Safety Committee will be Wednesday, July 3 and the November meeting will be Thursday, October 31.

Adjourned 9:50 am

Minutes prepared by Carol Williamson