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Minutes of the meeting of the Public Safety Committee.

Sawyer County Board of Supervisors

October 31, 2019; 8:30 a.m.; Assembly Room; Sawyer County Courthouse

Members present: Helen Dennis, Ron Buckholtz, James Schlender, Dawn Petit, Dale Schleeter (9:05 am)

Others present: Carol Williamson, Tom Hoff, Pat Sanchez, Doug Mrotek, Joe Sajdera, Jeff Johnson, Sherrie Shelton, Sandy Okamoto, Marge Kelsey, Nate Dunston, Mike Keefe, Craig Faulstich, John Froemel, Mark Gritzmacher, Frank Zufall

Chair James Schlender called the meeting to order at 8:30 am.

Motion by Buckholtz, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schleeter, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried

Chair James Schlender introduced Dawn Petit, a new member to the Public Safety Committee. The Committee and staff introduced themselves and welcomed Supervisor Petit.

Motion by Buckholtz, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Petit, to approve the minutes of the October 3, 2019 meeting. Motion carried

2020 Budget Public Hearing November 7, 6:30 pm. The Committee discussed several items that may affect the budget including support for the Hayward Lakes Visitor and Convention Bureau, the technical report on the Clerk of Courts functions, and the bill proposed for a second circuit court judge for Sawyer County.

Clerk of Court Marge Kelsey provided a written report to the Committee. Still 100 2019 jury surveys unreturned.

Child Support Director Sandy Okamoto provided a written report to the Committee. No changes recently. Caseload around 1200 including 789 involving state aid.

Sheriff Mrotek reported to the Committee. Amber Oshea Dorn hired to fill full time patrol deputy position.

Road Lieutenant Greg Ripczinski provided a patrol report of calls received at the Sheriff's Department in October.

Chief Deputy Joe Sajdera reported to the Committee. Sajdera reported on communications handled by dispatch. In October there were 3,695 calls resulting in 1,568 calls for service.

Jail Administrator Jeff Johnson provided a jail report. As of today, there are 104 inmates, including 3 out on electronic monitor, and 14 housed out of county. Food Service Agreement will be on the December agenda.

Resolution proposed to approve a cooperative Law Enforcement Agreement between Sawyer County and the Lac Courte Oreilles Bank of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians. State funding for part time patrol deputy on reservation. Need to submit by November 30. Discussion regarding patrol in southern part of

the county and on the reservation. Motion by Buckholtz, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis, to approve the resolution. Motion carried with a majority vote.

Dale Schleeter entered the meeting at 8:05 am.

Animal Control Officer Sherrie Shelton reported to the Committee. Issued two breeding kennel permits.

Coroner John Froemel provided a written report to the Committee.

Emergency Management Director Pat Sanchez presented a written report. Tower Road is being repaired.

Communication Specialist John Kruk provided a written report to the Committee.

The Sheriff's Department, Ambulance Department, and Fire Departments are holding monthly meetings to discuss communications and any issues.

The Criminal Justice Coordinating Council is meeting on Monday, November 4. Working on a bond schedule officers can use during traffic stops to avoid incarcerations. Once CJCC approves bond schedule, it will come before the Public Safety Committee for approval.

Sawyer County Ambulance Director Nate Dunston provided a written report to the Committee. Plan to be in new Ojibwa Station first week of December. EMT students doing clinical shifts with Sawyer County EMS. Committee would like to tour new facility; may hold open house in 2020.

Committee discussed vehicles failing to stop for school buses. This will be on December agenda for discussion with local law enforcement agencies.

Adjourned 9:39 am

Minutes prepared by Carol Williamson