

**Minutes of the April 7th meeting of the Sawyer County
Public Safety Committee
Of the Sawyer County Board of Supervisors
Assembly Room; Sawyer County**



Voting Committee Members Present:

- Chair: Ron Buckholtz
- Dale Schleeter -Vice Chair
- Ed Peters
- Jason Weaver – joined virtually at 9:22 am
- Chuck Van Etten

Others Present:

Mike Keefe
Mike Coleson
Joe Sajdera
Marge Kelsey

Nate Dunston
Jeff Johnson
John Froemel - Virtual

Call to Order – Chair Ron Buckholtz called the meeting to order at 9:00 am. Roll Call taken. Quorum was met.

Certification of Compliance with the open meeting law was met.

Meeting Agenda

Public Comment –

Minutes from Previous Meeting – A motion was made by Mr. Peters to approve the minutes of the March 7th, 2022, meeting; second by Mr. Buckholtz. Motion carried without negative vote.

Circuit Court Report –

Courthouse Remodel Update – Mike Keefe reported that the \$8M in bond sales is complete.

Clerk of Court Report – A written report was provided.

District Attorney's Office Report

Sheriff's Department Report – Written reports were provided. Sheriff Mrotek advised that Animal Control Officer, Sherry Shelton, retired in March and recognized her 30 years of service.

Communication Center Report –Chief Sajdera reported we still have a vacancy in the dispatch center and another resignation pending.

Patrol Report – A written report was provided. Chief Sajdera reported that the City of Hayward will be hosting the 2022 Northwoods Tech annual Law Enforcement Management conference in April at Flat Creek.

Communication Systems Specialist Report -

Jail Report – A jail report review provided by Lt. Johnson advising that numbers are increasing again and we are currently housing 16 in Barron County.

Animal Control Report –

Coroner's report – A written report was provided. Mr. Froemel advised that they do have decedents without family, thus the County is responsible for all after-death costs. He is working on an MOU with the Hayward Funeral Home for these purposes.

Emergency Management Department Reports – Written reports were provided. Mr. Dunston has been working with Jump River due to the ice storm and will now request approximately \$95,000 from the State. He is working on an emergency management plan for the airport. LifeQuest is still in the integration process.

Criminal Justice Coordinating Council Update – Lt. Johnson reported on JusticePoint working out of the jail to provide services.

Meeting Date/Time – The next meeting of the Public Safety Committee will be Thursday, May 5, at 9:00 am in the Assembly Room.

Meeting adjourned at 9:06 am

Minutes recorded by Lynn Fitch, County Clerk

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