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Minutes of the meeting of the Public Safety Committee.

Sawyer County Board of Supervisors

May 7, 2020; 8:30 a.m.; Assembly Room; Sawyer County Courthouse

Members present:

In Assembly Room: Helen Dennis, Ron Buckholtz, James Schlender, Dale Schleeter

Virtually: Chuck Van Etten

Others present: Tom Hoff, Cindy Lehner Virtually: Carol Williamson, Pat Sanchez, John Kruk, Jeff Johnson, Doug Mrotek, Joe Sadjera, Greg Ripczinski, Rebecca Roeker, Nate Dunston, Sandy Okamoto, Frank Zufall

Meeting called to order at 8:30 am.

Motion by Buckholtz, 2nd by Dennis, to approve minutes from March 5, 2020 meeting. Motion carried

Deputy County Clerk Cindy Lehner called for nomination for Chair of the Public Safety Committee. Ron Buckholtz nominated James Schlender; 2nd by Helen Dennis. No other nominations, James Schlender is Chairman.

Chairman Schlender called for nomination for the Vice Chair of the Committee. Helen Dennis nominated Dale Schleeter; James Schlender nominated Ron Buckholtz. Ballots cast 3 for Buckholtz, 2 for Schleeter. Ron Buckholtz is Vice Chair.

Chairman Schlender addressed the committee regarding having a special County Board meeting to address the opening of Sawyer County businesses. Discussion determined that the County doesn't have the authority to override State's Safer At Home rule. County Board will discuss drafting a letter to send to the Governor regarding county concerns.

Administrator Tom Hoff discussed the looking at a 4th option for a second courtroom and that materials were handed out at the April 30 County Board meeting. There was a meeting with the architect on May 6th and he will be doing a presentation at the May 21st County Board meeting.

Clerk of Court Marge Kelsey provided a written report.

District Attorney Bruce Poquette provided an update, jury trials will be scheduled again after the month of May.

Child Support Director Sandy Okamoto presented a written report.

Chief Deputy Joe Sajdera presented a written report.

Jail Administrator Jeff Johnson presented a written report.

Patrol Lieutenant Greg Ripczinski presented a written report.

Animal Control Officer Sherrie Shelton provided a written report.

John Froemel presented a written report.

Emergency Management Director Pat Sanchez presented a written report. Sawyer County has been selected as a site to perform decontamination for N95 masks. May 14 there will be free COVID testing at the Winter Fire Hall and May 15 at the Hayward Wesleyan Church.

Communication Specialist John Kruk presented a written report.

Criminal Justice Coordinating Council – no update, committee is meeting on 5/11/20.

Committee discussed potentially changing the time for this committee meeting. Will be on the next agenda to discuss. Send preferred times and days to Carol.

Adjourned 9:25 am

Minutes prepared by Cindy Lehner