

Call to order:

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M. at the Lac du Flambeau Tribal Center meeting room by Chairman Al Bauman, with the following committee members present: Maynard Bedish, Eric Chapman, Gene Ciszek, Jack Harrison and Elmer Rising Sun. Sig Hjemvick was excused. Others addressing the committee during this meeting: Julie Balocca, Bob Kovar, Brooks Big John, Bob Brandenburg, Joe Fath, Bob Rickard, and David Alleman.

Open meeting notices and quorum present were verified by the Chair.

Approve agenda to be discussed in any order by the Chair:

Motion by J. Harrison, 2nd by M. Bedish to approve the agenda with the order of discussion at the Chair's discretion. All voted aye. Carried.

Approve August 26, 2010 minutes:

Motion by G. Ciszek, 2nd by M. Bedish to approve the minutes of the August 26, 2010 meeting as presented. All voted aye. Carried.

Juvenile Intensive Supervision Program update:

B. Rickard presented a written report provided by Mike Wurl. M. Wurl is out of the area at this time. Intensive supervision efforts continue to run smoothly. The GPS tracking system continues to work well and is providing a financial savings to the County compared with the cost of detention placements. Gang activity continues to be of concern. B. Brandenburg reported that HUD Housing will conduct a gang activity assessment on the Reservation in October, 2010.

Snowmobile bridge agreement:

An agreement between the Tribe and Vilas County will provide for the rehabilitation of three important snowmobile bridges on the Reservation. B. Big John signed the agreement for the Tribe.

Law Enforcement update:

B. Brandenburg reported that the Tribal Police Dept. was the recipient of a \$490,000.00 grant that will enable the hiring of an additional officer in October. Additional grant funding is providing for two school liaison officers for two years. The planning grant for a Tribal juvenile detention facility was awarded to the Tribe. He also reported that the Tribal Police Dept. was picked to receive substantial Stimulus funding earmarked for Tribal police departments. J. Fath and B. Brandenburg responded to a recent citizen complaint regarding police squads traveling at high rates of speed without lights and siren. Both officers stated that their respective departments were dealing with that issue per occurrence and with training. Both departments jointly attended a recent police pursuit training session.

a. Meeting updates:

J. Fath and B. Brandenburg each reported continued good interdepartmental communications and coordination. A. Bauman praised the efforts of both departments in fostering the continued good relationship.

b. Arrest and activity schedule:

J. Fath presented the August 2010 Sheriff's activity report. New software will soon allow the department to provide more localized reporting. E. Rising Sun expressed concern regarding what he termed to be negative press reporting that details crime statistics for the Town of Lac du Flambeau. A more positive message would be better for the community. J. Fath responded that crime statistics compiled by the Sheriff's Dept. were public record. He urged a dialog with the press that encourages more reporting of positive aspects of the community.

c. Drug enforcement:

B. Brandenburg reported that the US Attorney General's Office sponsored a drug enforcement training that was attended by four Tribal police officers. B. Kovar would like to coordinate with both departments regarding Drug Free Coalition issues.

Update – highway safety, Tribal and County roads on Reservation.

A. Bauman reported that the intersection of CTH D and STH 47 would be the subject of a study. Traffic congestion and safety continue to be of concern. J. Fischer also reported that the intersection would be included in a WisDOT study. He also reported that speed limits will be reduced to 25MPH on the repaved portion of CTH D in the residential area. Speed limits east of town on STH 47 were also discussed. A. Bauman would like the Highway Dept. to investigate brushing on CTH F in the area east of West Fence Lake Road and also near Paradise Bay Road.

Health Department update:

J. Balocca requested police enforcement of child car seat usage laws. Both departments responded that they would step up enforcement efforts. B. Brandenburg stressed that child car seat usage awareness and education efforts would continue to help with compliance issues.

Communication project update: G. Cizek reported continued progress at the tower site. Microwave antennas have been installed.

Future agenda items: The Chair asked that he be given any new agenda items at least 10 days before the next meeting.

Letters and communications: Nothing presented

Set date for next meeting: The next committee meeting is scheduled for 9:00 A.M., Thursday, October 28, 2010 at the Lac du Flambeau Tribal Center.

Adjournment: Motion by M. Bedish, 2nd by G. Cizek to adjourn. All voted aye. Carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:40 A.M

Respectfully Submitted,

David R. Alleman
Vilas County Clerk