

**LAW ENFORCEMENT AND
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING**

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Chair Robert Egan called to order the regular meeting of the Law Enforcement and Emergency Management Committee at 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, June 9, 2011, in the Justice Center Conference Room, at the Vilas County Sheriff's Office, in Eagle River, Wisconsin.

Present. The following persons were present: Robert Egan, Alden Bauman, Jack Harrison, Edward Bluthardt, Emil Bakka, Stephen Favorite, Kathleen Rushlow, Sheriff Tomlanovich, Chief Deputy Fath, Captain Kennedy, Jail Administrator Evenson, Lieutenant Peske, Lieutenant Gardner, Emergency Management Director Galloway, Telecommunications Officer Dawn Grmick, Law Enforcement Clerk Abby Trapp, Law Enforcement Clerk Beth Komar, Law Enforcement Clerk Jeannine Luke, Rachel Hall, Ken Anderson, John Helgeson, Laurel Carlson, and recorder Carol Krebs.

Approve agenda. Alden Bauman made a motion to approve the agenda to be discussed in any order by the Chair. Motion was seconded by Jack Harrison. All voting aye. Carried.

Approve Minutes. Emil Bakka made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 12, 2011 committee meeting. Motion was seconded by Alden Bauman. All voting aye. Carried.

“Letter of Commendation” Telecommunications Officer, Dawn Grmick. Sheriff Tomlanovich presented Telecommunications Officer, Dawn Grmick with a “Letter of Commendation” for her outstanding job performance, while working as a Telecommunication Officer, on Sunday, April 24, 2011.



Photo Courtesy of: Ken Anderson

Resignations/New Appointments. No resignations or new appointments to report.

Mutual Aid Response – State Capital, Madison, WI. Sheriff Tomlanovich advised the committee that we haven't received payment for the mutual aid response provided to the State of Wisconsin, Department of Administration, at the State Capital from February and March. The last written correspondence we received, dated May 16, 2011, indicated the Department of Administration will reimburse local law enforcement for all of their legitimate costs, the reimbursements will not occur until the next State fiscal year (beginning July 1, 2011) and until each claim has been fully audited. The memo went on to say, given the number of claims received by the DOA, we anticipate completing the audits no later than August 15, 2011. The Department of Administration currently owes Vilas County a total of \$27,113.79.

Arbor Vitae Office – Furnace Repair and/or Replacement. The furnace at the Arbor Vitae Office is in need of repair and/or replacement. The Highway Department has obtained an estimate from Hurtis Heating and Air, located in Central Wisconsin. Hurtis Heating and Air provided two estimates one for the repair (with no warranty), and one for the replacement (with a warranty). Jack Harrison advised the furnace repair and/or replacement was part of the litigation award the County received, and he felt the Highway Department should not be responsible for it as they don't have the funds in their budget. The litigation award received by the County went to the General Fund. The County Board Chair, Stephen Favorite was present and suggested the two committee's get together, advertise for bids, (be sure to advise Hurtis Heating and Air of the bid process), select a contractor, and if this was in fact part of the litigation award received by the County, then the County Board should pay for the repair and/or replacement of the furnace. A motion by Edward Bluthardt, and seconded by Alden Bauman to proceed as recommended above by the County Board Chair. All voting aye. Carried.

Uniform Replacement – Deputy Theodore Indermuehle. Sheriff Tomlanovich asked the committee for permission to replace one pair of class A uniform pants, and one pair of 8" uniform boots, that were damaged in the line of duty, for Deputy Theodore Indermuehle. A motion by Edward Bluthardt, and seconded by Jack Harrison to approve the uniform replacement request. All voting aye. Carried.

RFP for the Vilas County Jail Food Service Contract. The committee discussed the idea of an RFP for the Jail food service contract. The current contract is in effect until December 31, 2011. Sheriff Tomlanovich advised there are no issues with the current food service provider, but it's been eight years since the last request for proposal was done. Kathleen Rushlow, Food Service Director was present and she reminded the committee that the current contract was a joint contract with Oneida County. The joint contract was done, to provide services to both counties at a reduce rate, based upon daily population. She also stated in the past four years, the only annual increase was for the CPI (Consumer Price Index), and those increases were very minimal. She expressed her concern, as a County Board Supervisor, that an R.F.P., may lead to a higher priced food service contract. After much discussion, a motion was made by Edward Bluthardt, and seconded by Alden Bauman to request an R.F.P. for the food service contract. Each bid should provide a separate cost for Vilas County "only", and a separate cost if the contract is continued jointly with Oneida County. A roll call vote found Edward Bluthardt, Alden Bauman, Jack Harrison, and Emil Bakka all voting aye. Robert Egan was opposed. Carried.

CBM Managed Services – Jail Food Service Contract. No discussion.

Emergency Management Report. Emergency Management Director Galloway updated the committee on the activities of his department.

Communication Project Update. Lieutenant Peske updated the committee on the Communications Project.

Equipment Purchases “Sheriff”. Lieutenant David Gardner presented a purchase order for a replacement scope and rail system for the sniper rifle. The scope would be purchased from Military Warfighter Solutions, Inc., for a total cost of: \$1,479.00; and the rail system would be purchased from McCann Industries, LLC, for a total cost of: \$497.00. The total purchase of \$1,976.99 would be paid from the equipment expense line. A motion was made by Emil Bakka, and seconded by Alden Bauman to approve the purchase of the scope and rail system, subject to approval of the Public Property Committee. All voting aye. Carried.

Equipment Purchases “Jail.” None.

Line Item Transfer Request. The committee was asked to consider a line item transfer request; to transfer \$4,750.00 from the Contractual Services expense line, to the Sheriff Out of County expense line. A motion was made by Edward Bluthardt, and seconded by Alden Bauman to approve the line item transfer request listed above, and forward the same to the Finance Committee for their consideration. All voting aye. Carried.

Review Budget. The committee reviewed the department budget.

Letters and Communications. Alden Bauman asked if a meeting had been scheduled yet, to discuss the animal control issues. Chair Egan advised yes, there is a meeting scheduled for this afternoon at 1:00 p.m.

Chair Egan commented on the positive feedback he has received from the individuals that have taken part in the ride-a-long program. Chair Egan feels this has been a valuable program.

Approval of bills. A motion was made by Alden Bauman, and seconded by Jack Harrison to approve the bills. All voting aye. Carried.

Future Meeting Date. The next committee meeting is scheduled for: Tuesday, July 12, 2011, at 9:30 a.m., in the Justice Center Conference room. Meeting date was confirmed.

Adjournment. Motion by Alden Bauman, and seconded by Jack Harrison to adjourn. All voting aye. Carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

Submitted by: Carol A. Krebs, Confidential Secretary