

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
COUNTY BOARDROOM
MONDAY, JUNE 11, 2018
MINUTES
4:00 PM**

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call** – Jason Jording (ch), Russell Cotton, Barry Logan, Donald Tolan all present. Randy Roethler is unexcused.
3. **Approval of Minutes**
 - a. Approval of May 15, 2018 special meeting minutes
Motion to approve the May 15, 2018 special meeting minutes made by Logan, seconded by Cotton. Tolan abstained. *Motion passed.*
4. **Review of Executive Session Minutes**
 - a. February 15, 2017 – Release or Keep Confidential
Motion to keep confidential the February 15, 2107 executive session minutes made by Logan, seconded by Cotton. *Motion passed.*
5. **Public Input**

There is no public input. Mr. Logan objects to keeping public input open.
6. **Approval of Claims**

Motion to approve June 2018 claims made by Tolan, seconded by Cotton. There was a question regarding the Taser batteries. It was reported that they are a special battery and have to be replaced when they are 20% or lower operational. It was asked if we have coverage for the windshield crack and our insurance does not cover that. Roll call vote – Jording – yes; Cotton- yes; Logan – yes; Tolan-yes; *Motion passed.*
7. **Coroner**
 - a. Budget #40
The salary of the coroner was miscalculated. The correct amount should be \$29,062 with a bottom line total of \$74,737. Motion to amend salary to \$29,062 with a total budget of \$74,737 made by Logan, seconded by Cotton. Discussion that a few other line items had changed, motion was taken off the table. Motion to make budget the same as last year with a 2% increase in salary (\$29,062) and a bottom line total of \$75,987 made by Cotton, seconded by Tolan. *Motion passed.*
8. **ESDA**
 - a. Intergovernmental Agreement for EMA services to City of Eureka and Village of Roanoke
Mr. McCanless was approached by the City of Eureka, and Village of Roanoke to help in developing their emergency plan. He would work with the mayors, police chief, fire departments, etc. in developing a plan and training them. He would be the liaison between IEMA and FEMA. There would be a charge for this and Mr. McCanless was thinking that \$1 per capita would be fair. Discussion on what to charge to cover cost. Mr. McCanless feels that any expense the County would have would be covered by what is charged. Discussion on how to handle if other communities wish to have the same service, how do we pick and choose, and what cost would be. Mr. McCanless is to put together some figures on costs to train and developing plans for surrounding communities and bring back to committee next month. Committee feels we are basically subsidizing their plan, and if one community can do their own, then Eureka can do their own. If we take on their work, then we would also have to take on their liability. In the event of a disaster, the County would respond in any event.
 - b. Budget - #50
Motion to approve budget as presented with a bottom line of \$73,884 and send to Finance made by Cotton, seconded by Logan. *Motion passed.*
9. **Sheriff**
 - a. Budget -#220, #67, #77, #78, #85, #87, #89, #90, #91, #92, #95, #96, #108, #109, #170, #180, #190, # 195, #225

Budget #220 – budget for maintenance contract increased because they are now coming in on weekends to clean, so time was added. Grounds upkeep was increased and will be bid again. There was cost for improvement to grout and level the tiles in the main area of the old Courthouse.

#180 and #190 – the budget has stayed the same.

#195 - Annex 3 (the Mutual Building) \$24,000 has been set aside for this year's budget to add ramp and remove asbestos. Sheriff Smith suggested that this building be updated to house the election equipment in the back and make an office for the VAC. He stated that we should not make it storage, as the County has a habit of storing things and never getting rid of it. We purchased the building and have done nothing with it. We need to spend some money, get a contractor in to look at the possibilities for it and then decide if we are going to improve it or tear it down. Discussion on possibilities for building and long term use of building. They will hire an architect to come in and give us a quote on fixing the building, making ADA compliant bathrooms, possibly changing the door, etc. We will put \$24,000 in this year to go along with the \$24,000 that was placed in budget from last year for upgrades, and see what we can do.

#210 – 911 and changes to phone system

#220 – Increase in road overtime. Salaries are the biggest increase and by Union contract. The return fugitive cost is an estimate as you never know how often this is needed. The vehicle leases are paid off, and they looking at purchasing two new vehicles. The confectioner oven has to be replaced.

#225 – Sheriff Smith has a list of improvements to make and will do as many as he can.

#67 – Used for drug enforcement

#76 –

#77 – dui fines

#78 – medical reserve fund

#85 – this is anything the sheriff would forfeit

#87 – grant fund

#89 – sex offender fund – money we pay to State

#90 – DARE fund – money we collect from schools

#91 – this is money they get from Court supervision

#92 – seized and impounded vehicle fund

Discussion on radio replacement. They have completed the StarCom testing and are happy with the results. Sheriff Smith talked with two vendors, and there are two numbers they need to consider for the budget. The first number is for start-up – all the equipment, setting the system up – and that price is \$580,560.79. That price is a onetime deal. The next price is a yearly contract fee of \$28,260 which includes all county agencies. Sheriff Smith was asked how he wanted to pay for this and he suggested that the auditor said we had more than 100% in reserves, so we need to take the money out of reserve and fix this problem. It is a hazard to the deputies that needs to be fixed. It was suggested that they create a new line item, put \$610,000 to pay for the start-up and first year's fees. The Sheriff does not feel that this money should come out of his budget since other county entities are using it, not just the Sheriff's office. Motion to send the Sheriff's budget, along with adding a new line item for the StarCom system to Finance made by Cotton, seconded by Tolan. *Motion passed.*

b. Sheriff Vehicle Bid Discussion/Action

They put out a bid and sent packet to 11 different dealers. The quote for the RAM from Prescott Brothers was the lowest, but it does not have a "Ram box", a sprayed bed liner, or a tonto cover, which would add a cost. They do have a Ram truck at a slightly higher cost that does include the "Ram box", bed liner, tonto cover, and dome light. In addition, there would be an approximate cost of \$2,500 to outfit it for the sheriff. They will deliver truck to us. Motion to advance to County Board by Cotton, seconded by Tolan. *Motion passed.*

c. PSB Freon Gas Detection HVAC replacement Bid Discussion/Action

The Freon gas detector would send off an alarm if there was a leak. It is code required and has not been working for some time and needs to be replaced. The cost to replace it is \$5,268 which includes installation and programming. We only have one quote, but research done on the part on line indicates the price is in line. Sheriff Smith needs to write a letter explaining why only one quote was obtained. Motion to accept bid for \$5,268 and send to Board made by Cotton, seconded by Tolan. *Motion passed.*

d. Germantown Hills District 69 SRO Discussion

To be discussed next month.

e. Parking Lot Sinkhole repair Informational

To be discussed next month.

f. Courthouse Window Project Update

To be discussed next month.

g. Courthouse Window Blind Project Update

To be discussed next month.

h. Annex 3 project plan discussion

Discussed in budget above.

i. Courthouse Clock Repair Verdin Clock Informational

To be discussed next month.

j. Clock Tower Repair Discussion

To be discussed next month.

k. IT Services

To be discussed next month.

10. Animal Control

a. Discussion and Action on feral cat population

Discussion on what to do with the feral cat population. If we are going to control them, then we need to register them, which would be a nightmare. State requires us to have an animal control program, a rabies program, run a spay/neuter clinic, and a program for livestock killed. The County Ordinance only addresses dogs. The county does have a program, which the County pays \$90 for cats, to spay/neuter them. The committee does not feel they should be spending tax payer dollars on cats. Heather Leman has received calls regarding cats. She is not set up for cats, but would figure something out if she has to. The problem is that lonely elderly people start feeding the cats, then the person passes away, and the cats are out looking for food. Heather would like to trap and euthanize them, but cat lovers would speak out against this. At this time, the committee has decided to keep things status quo.

11. New Business

a. Board Room Use Policy

To be discussed next month

b. Board Room Aesthetics

To be discussed next month

c. Approval of Resolution Opposing the Passage of HB1465, HB1467, HB1468, HB1469, AND SB1657 Restricting the Rights of US Citizens as Protected by the Second Amendment of the United States.

Blake Parsons presented the resolution that was passed by 17 other counties and being considered by 30 other Illinois counties. It outlines the House and Senate bills that are being considered and problem areas and violation of Constitutional rights. He expanded the language to include specific criteria that these bills affect. Motion to send Resolution to the County Board made by Tolan, seconded by Logan. Mr. Jording has looked at the resolution, and while he is not the County attorney, he is okay with the verbiage used. Some of the congressional bills have been vetoed and some have split off into different directions in areas where there is not a lot of due process or accountability. Motion to add the word "Constitution" after the heading, at the end of the first

paragraph, and change the word "is" to "if" in the first sentence of the last paragraph made by Tolan, seconded by Cotton. *Motion passed.* Vote taken on original motion – *Motion passed.*

12. Unfinished Business

a. Liability

b. Workers' Compensation

13. Budget

a. Treasurer - #59, #70, #75, #76, #107

#59 – Animal Control - Salary was increased by 2%. Question if they will continue contract with Heather.

#107- This is a pass through account with Menssen Trust.

#70 – Tort Fund – this is an estimate. In October the Treasure will have a better idea of where fund stands.

#75 – in October we will make the last payment on the jail. In the future the money from this line item will be transferred to fund #076.

#76 – this is line item where the public safety tax will be placed.

Animal Control Administrator – Heather Leman – spoke. She loves her job and wants to continue doing it. She houses, feeds, and pays her employees to care for the dogs. She has a problem with people picking up their dogs, and sometimes has them for weeks before they are picked up. She is meeting with the Menssen Trust next week. She is trying to take as many animals as she can to McKenna Vet. She is trying to represent Woodford County to the best of her ability. The committee stated that she does not represent Woodford County for the cats. We cannot be all things to all people. Discussion on percentage increase for Animal Control. It was decided to give a 1.5% increase in salary. Motion to send all the budgets to finance made by Cotton, seconded by Logan. *Motion passed.*

14. Other

15. Executive Session – Roll Call Vote

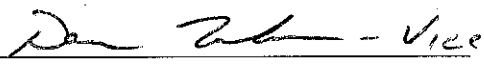
16. Any action coming out of Executive Session

17. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by Cotton, seconded by Logan. *Motion passed.*

Meeting adjourned at 6:05 PM.

Submitted by: Deb Breyman



Jason Jording, Chairman
Public Safety Committee