

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
COUNTY BOARDROOM
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2018
MINUTES
4:00 PM**

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call – Jason Jording (ch), Russell Cotton, Barry Logan, Donald Tolan present. Randy Roethler excused.

3. Approval of Minutes

a. Approval of September 10, 2018 minutes

Ms. Breyman made a few changes to the minutes from what was sent to the committee in the packet. She pointed those changes out. Motion to accept the minutes as presented made by Cotton, seconded by Logan. *Motion passed.*

4. Public Input

5. Approval of Claims

Motion to approve October claims made by Logan, seconded by Cotton. Questions regarding payment to Chris Lanoue for vehicle upkeep and to WatchGuard Video for DUI camera. The Lanoue claim is a shop by Riverview, and the WatchGuard claim is for a new DUI camera in the car that automatically downloads. This is one camera. Life span of camera is roughly 8 years. The claim is above the committee authority to approve. A resolution needs to be made. *Motion passed.*

6. Coroner

7. ESDA

8. Sheriff

a. Annex 3 Asbestos Abatement Project Discussion / Action

It was approved at last Board to move forward with this project, but to wait to see if we received money from Rep. Bennett. We do not know when, or if, that money will be released. Sheriff Smith would like direction on where to go from here. It was suggested that this be discussed with the full Board.

b. Verdin Clock Co Clock / Bell Repair Discussion / Action

This was discussed last month. A cost is \$25,000-\$26,000. They will not start the project until they receive 50% of the payment. Once that 50% is received, they will start the project within 90 days. We will not be doing anything this fiscal year. If we do nothing with annex 3 this year we can use the money budgeted for annex 3 on the clock. The Sheriff can shore up the bell for now, and if annex 3 does not move forward, then the money can be moved to the Courthouse. Mr. Jording will bring this up in Finance.

c. Sheriff Vehicle Insurance Claim Discussion

There was a car/deer accident in which the car was totaled. Sheriff Smith has put some feelers out to see about a replacement vehicle.

d. County Buildings Maintenance Discussion

Sheriff Smith questioned if a new building would be designated as an annex and fall under his care as he has not budgeted extra money to maintain another annex. He asked if the County would want to consolidate all the buildings in to one, and fall under one person for maintenance. However, he not sure one person could handle all the buildings. He also reported that ADWC had a water main break and contacted him. The County has never taken care of that building. The law says the Sheriff is responsible for the Courthouse, jail, and annexes. The Health Department does their own maintenance. If we don't annex the Health Department in, then they are responsible for their own maintenance. It was suggested that we stay away from annexing the Health Department in.

e. Courthouse / Public Safety Building Masonry Repair Project Update
Discussion

The project is almost done. The columns were repaired with an epoxy mix and grouted over. The flashing, sealing of the bricks, and caulking have been completed. The only thing left is the bell anchors.

f. Woodford County Opioid Problem – Informational

Mr. Dave Briggs, Peoria MEG Director spoke to the committee. He went over the structure of MEG. Woodford County is part of MEG, along with Knox, Tazewell and Peoria County. The City of Peoria is not part of MEG due to finances. The statistics come from death certificates. However, they do not keep statistics on private individuals that go to a hospital from an overdose and die. They focus on major dealers of drugs. Most of the people that die in Peoria County live outside of Peoria County. MEG likes to do “rip” stops in Woodford County because Woodford County cracks down on them and gives them jail time. The last big bust that MEG did was in Roanoke. There is a push for more treatment centers, but the process takes a long time. The issues they see now are Ice, Spice, which took a down turn, but is coming back, crystal meth and heroine. The issues are not lessening.

9. Animal Control

Jason received an email that animal control had been contacted, but never responded. He will reach out to Heather about this issue.

10. New Business

a. Tort Fund Budget #70 (Work Comp, General Liability)

The numbers put into the budget came from Snedeker’s and include an increase in the excess policy. The insurance deductibles will now be paid out of the tort levy. Motion to forward budget to Finance made by Cotton, seconded by Tolan. *Motion passed.*

b. Property/Liability /Work Comp renewal – Eric Snedeker

Eric Snedeker address the committee about the liability coverage. We currently have an excess policy for 5 million dollars. This policy is to stop a bad claim from getting through. It is time to up that policy to 10 million due to litigation, cost of claims, etc. Even with the increase in the excess policy, the policy premium has gone down because the ‘bad claims’ in work comp have fallen off. The claims submitted have been minor. They have adopted the modified work plan, which allows an individual who has a work comp injury to come back to work on lighter duty, when the physician approves this, until they can go back to their original job. This helps to reduce the work comp payments. ICRMT has three payment plans for the premium – pay in full up front, pay 25% down and the remainder in 6 month increments, or pay half in December and half in June. It was asked about the police dog being insured. If the dog is fatally injured, we receive 100% of the scheduled amount, if the dog is not fatal wounded, but cannot be in the line of duty anymore, the payment is at 60%. It was discussed that the 50/50 premium payment is the way to pay. Mr. Jording requested a resolution be written with the 50/50 payment included. Motion to send the plan to the full Board made by Cotton, seconded by Tolan. *Motion passed.*

11. Unfinished Business

a. **Liability**

b. **Workers' Compensation**

12. Other

There is a single law enforcement lawsuit that has been filed but is in the early stages and being defended.

13. Executive Session – Roll Call Vote

a. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1) Discussion of performance review of employee

Ms. Breyman will stay. Motion to go into executive session made by Logan, seconded by Cotton. Roll call vote – Cotton-yes; Tolan-yes; Logan-yes; Jording-yes. *Motion passed.*

14. Any action coming out of Executive Session


Motion to come out of executive session made by Logan, seconded by Cotton. *Motion passed.*

15. Adjournment

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

Meeting adjourned at 5:27PM.

Submitted by: Deb Breyman

 *vice chair*
Jason Jording, Chairman
Public Safety Committee