

January 15, 2008
Port Washington, WI

The Public Safety Committee met in Room 240 at the Justice Center.

Present: Supervisors Wirth, Walker, Berousek, Herlache, Klemz and Bock. Staff: Assistant County Administrator Dzwinel, County Board Chair Brooks, Coordinator Stolte, Deputy Coordinator Fitzgerald, Sheriff Straub, Capt. Ebert & Guss, and Mary Sampont.

Excused Absent: Supervisor Nelson

Call to Order/Proper Notice/Adoption of Agenda: Meeting called to order by Chairperson Wirth at 9:00 a.m. Assurance that the meeting was properly noticed, so noted by Ms. Sampont. Agenda was adopted as presented.

Public Comments/Correspondence/Communications: No public comments, correspondence or communication for the committee.

Approve Minutes from the December 18, 2007 meeting: Motion to approve minutes of the December 18, 2007 Public Safety Committee meeting was made by Supervisor Walker, seconded by Supervisor Herlache. All members present voting aye. Motion carried (4-0).

Emergency Management Items

2007-2008 Budget Amendment Carryover Request: Ms. Fitzgerald distributed the request for the 2007-2008 budget amendment carryover to the committee for review. The request came as a result of the parkas for the HazMeat team will first be available sometime in January, 2008. Motion to approve the 2007-2008 Budget Amendment Carryover Request made by Supervisor Berousek, seconded by Supervisor Walker. All members present voting aye. Motion carried (4-0).

Assembly Bill 575 – Rescue Boat: Supervisor Wirth gave a report on Assembly Bill 575 – Rescue Boat.

Supervisor Wirth moved the adjournment of Closed Session to 10:00 A.M. and proceeded with the agenda items as listed.

Sheriff's Department Items

Conference/Convention/Meeting Report: Motion to approve Report of Conference/Convention/Meeting Attendance for the month of December, 2007 as submitted, made by Supervisor Walker, seconded by Supervisor Herlache. All members present voting aye. Motion carried (4-0).

Monthly Finance Report: Included in the packet. Supervisor Wirth accepted the monthly finance report subject to audit.

Jail Population Report: Included in packet. Supervisor Wirth accepted the monthly jail population report subject to audit.

Sheriff's Report: Sheriff Straub reported that 2 dispatchers have been hired and are in training. The change over is anticipated to take place on February 25, 2008. They will be meeting weekly with the consolidation team.

Approval to Fill Vacant Position – Deputy: Deputy Neitzel-Sanders has submitted his resignation effective February 22, 2008. Motion to approve filling the vacant position of Deputy made by Supervisor Herlache, seconded by Supervisor Walker. All members present voting aye. Motion carried (4 -0).

Discussion Regarding the Proposal to Create a Criminal Justice Council: Supervisor Bock gave a report on the Establishment of an Ozaukee County Criminal Justice Council. The purpose of the Council is to increase awareness and cooperation between law enforcement, the judicial system and diversion programmers and the citizens of Ozaukee County that may not always be achieved through a single agency or organization. The Council would be established to strive to decrease the financial burden that crime costs in our community through diversion programming and alternatives to incarceration that do not compromise the safety of Ozaukee County. The Council would consist of representatives from the Municipal and Circuit Courts, District Attorney, Criminal Defense Lawyers, Law Enforcement, Clerk of Courts, Jail Administration, School Personnel, Human Services, Mental Health and AODA Providers, Non-profit Partners, County Board members and interested citizens. Supervisor Bock reported that there will be a presentation for the full County Board on February 20.

A recess was called by Supervisor Wirth at 9:56 A.M.

The Committee reconvened at 10:00 A.M.

The CLOSED SESSION-Pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(c) of the WI State Statute: Review of Ozaukee County's Preliminary Offer-LAW Sheriff Assoc. Contract was cancelled for this meeting and will be rescheduled for the February 19 Public Safety Committee meeting. A brief discussion followed.

Consolidation of Services: Nothing to report

Committee Report for County Board: Chairman Wirth will prepare a report for the County Board.

Adjournment: Motion made by Supervisor Berousek, seconded by Supervisor Herlache to adjourn. All members present voting aye. Motion carried (4-0).

Meeting adjourned at 10:08 A.M.

Mary M. Sampont
Secretary