Bayfield County Board of Supervisors
Sheriff’s, Emergency Government, Veterans and Child Support Committee
June 15, 2020 Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Jeremy Oswald, Jeff Silbert, Dennis Pocernich, Larry Fickbohm, Fred Strand (remotely)

Others Present: Mary Dougherty, Charlie Ray, Mark Abeles-Allison-Co Administrator (remotely), Paul Susienka-Sheriff, Kathleen Haiden-Jail Captain, Jen Osmak- Child Support Office (remotely), Andy Mika-Deputy, Anthony Budreau- Patrol Sgt.. Deb Milanowski-Sheriff’s Office

Meeting called to order at 4:00 pm by Chairman Oswald

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Silbert, 2nd by Fickbohm to approve the May 21, 2020 minutes. Motion carried (5-0)

Child Support-Jen Osmak: Expecting another $170,000 in revenue for this year. Currently below in expenses due to no traveling. Will wait and see if this changes. Their office is now fully staffed as of 6/15/20.

Public Comment: Comment and discussion over adopting the “8 Can’t Wait” legislation that pertains to Use of Force.


Sheriff’s Office: Use of force policy discussion. Reviewed the policies in Lexipol. There are 7 categories that cover Use of Force and fall under the General Operations section. Law Enforcement and Jail Use of Force policies. Reviewed Wilenet and the Use of Force classes covered as part of the law enforcement requirements (720 hours but not all for Use of Force).

Another discussion over the “8 Can’t Wait” legislation as compared to WI Use of Force requirements. Discussed getting this information out to the public to educate them on the State requirements.

Currently have 2 vacancies: Chief Deputy and the Lt. Investigator. Brent Bratley has accepted to position of Lt. Investigator. There are 2 candidates for the Chief Deputy position. One is the Patrol Lt. Andy Runice and the other is the Lt. Investigator Brent Bratley.

The jail is slowly starting back into offering programing. Starting with GED and will eventually go into jail reentry programs again. Had a couple of damage reports in the jail. Still keeping our numbers low in the jail as a precaution for Covid 19. Still practicing the 10 day quarantine for new inmates before they are introduced into general population.

Currently have around 9-10 boarded inmates.

Other Committee Concerns:
**Future Agenda Items:** Amy O'Donahue introduction at July meeting. Jail Tour during August meeting.

**Next meeting date is July 20, 2020 at 4:00pm.** Meeting adjourned at: 5:41 p.m.
Minutes submitted by Deb Milanowski

Minutes approved on: 7/20/20 6:10 pm