

Bayfield County Board of Supervisors
Sheriff's, Emergency Government, Veterans and Child Support Committee
June 21, 2021, Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Jeremy Oswald, Jeff Silbert, Dennis Pocernich, Larry Fickbohm (4:17pm)

Members Excused: Fred Strand

Others Present: Paul Susienka-Sheriff, Andy Runice- Chief Deputy, Kathleen Haiden-Jail Administrator, Meagan Quaderer-Emergency Management, Scott Galetka-Land Records, Deb Milanowski-Sheriff's Office

Meeting called to order at 4:03 pm by Chairman Oswald.

Approval of Minutes: *Motion by Silbert, 2nd by Pocernich to approve the May 17, 2020 minutes. Motion carried (3-0)*

Child Support Services-Jen Jones: Review of performance measures for her agency. Provided in the Dropbox for committee members. Expect to see less revenue this year. The \$4 million GPR was dropped to \$1.75 million by the Joint Finance Committee but has not been signed into budget yet. Collections are down from last year, but they were able to do some tax intercepts on the Covid incentives which they can no longer do. Bonni Gary was hired in November of 2020 and doing very well. Their agency won a fiscal achievement award in 2020 which they have not done since 2013.

Discussion of off-site offices in Cable and Iron River. They are currently set up in Cable at the Community Center, but she is still working on find a place in Iron River. These are staffed once a month.

Pocernich recommended to make a resolution for the next full County Board meeting to recognize the Child Support Achievement Award.

Jen left at 4:14pm

Emergency Management-Meagan Quaderer: Discussion of moving the addressing responsibilities to Land Records with oversight given to the Executive Committee. Also discussed the new proposed fee schedule which would change for new addresses to \$200 (from \$75), with no charge for repairs. Discussion regarding the large increase for the initial addressing signage and the lack of a charge for replacement sign(s). Discussion of the change in oversight committees.

Motion by Fickbohm, 2nd by Silbert to recommend to the full County Board that the 9-1-1 addressing be transferred to Land Records and recommend that the administration transfer from the Sheriff's, Emergency Government, Veteran's, Child Support Committee to the Executive Committee. Motion carried (4-0).

Motion by Pocernich, 2nd by Fickbohm to change the fee schedule from \$75 to \$200 for a new sign, additional sign(s) at \$35 per sign with post, and shared summary sign charge of \$65. Motion carried (4-0).

Scott Galetka left @4:55pm.

Discussed the possibility of acquiring a Mobile Response trailer. We had a previous mass casualty trailer, but it was not the right kind to support this job and ended up being used as another storage area. Looking at using the ARA funds that we were awarded to purchase this trailer and it could be used in many different areas in the county. The cost estimate right now is \$130,000 which would include the infrastructure we would need (it would be built to our specifications). Would be set up to use with current laptops and cell phones. Further information and details were requested of Meagan, and she will come back in July and present this information. Would consider this expense with the second half of the ARA grant distribution.

Discussion of the April 12, 2021, 9-1-1 outage. Have been other outages since this one in other counties. Currently having some difficulties with Lumen following contractual requirements. May need to involve Corp. Counsel if proper resolution is not obtained.

Reviewed current budget. Discussed the overage in her repair budget since the prior Director paid for some capital equipment out of the general funds vs. the capital equipment funds. Meagan was directed to contact the County Clerk's office to discuss fixing this issue. The overall budget for Emergency Management is currently not over budget.

Will be discussing the purchase of 10 AEDs. They are \$645 per machine, and she is requesting consideration from the committee to acquire these. Will propose at July meeting.

Committee has asked that Meagan attend the meeting every month as opposed to every other month.

Sheriff's Office: General review of current events, Red Cliff still is short staffed, and this will likely continue. Jail review -32 inmates with 2 inmates under inmate retention and 1 Ashland County inmate. Four are out on bail monitor. Looking at opening Huber up again soon.

Other Committee Concerns: None

Future Agenda Items:

Public Comment: None

Next meeting date is set for July 19, 2021, at 4:00pm in the EOC.

Meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Deb Milanowski Minutes approved on: 7/19/21 @ 4:04pm