

Bayfield County Board of Supervisors
Sheriff's, Emergency Government, Veterans and Child Support Committee
July 16, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Jeremy Oswald, Larry Fickbohm, Jeff Silbert, George Newago

Others Present: Sheriff Paul Susienka, Chief Deputy Dan Clark, Lt. Tom Renz, Sgt. Andy Runice, Jenny Osmak-Child Support, Deb Milanowski-Sheriff's Office

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

Lt. Tom Renz will be retiring on 8/1/18 and introduced his replacement, Sgt. Andy Runice. Runice will be taking over as the Patrol Lt. effective 8/1/18.

Tom and Andy then left the meeting @4:05pm.

Jennie Osmak introduced herself as the new Child Support Director for Bayfield County.

Jennie left the meeting at 4:07pm

Public Comment: None

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Larry Fickbohm, 2nd by George Newago to approve the May 21, 2018 minutes. Motion carried (4-0)

Report from Emergency Management: Jan was unable to attend the committee meeting

Child Support: To attend the August 20, 2018 meeting

Veteran's Services: To attend the September 17, 2018 meeting

Report from the Sheriff's Office:

1. Reviewed incidents over the past few weeks. They ranged from a house explosion to the flooding to a fatal accident.
2. Jail Re-model project proposal – we are to the point that we need to get an estimate of costs. The Sheriff has met with the Samuelson Group Representative. They feel they can come up with a close estimate of the cost for this project. He will also be meeting with Ehlers' as well. The scope of the project has been determined: 1. Convert the existing Cpl. Office to Huber inmate

storage and 2 cells (one would be traditional and one a padded cell), 2. Returning the locker room back to an 8-person cell block.

The timeframe for this type of project is probably 12-18 months.

3. K9 Unit- Dan Clark handed out information regarding the start-up costs for a K9. Would be approximately an additional \$43,000 to the budget. Discussed at length if we need a K9. It would be a huge benefit for the patrol deputies in both finding drugs and people. Informed that those counties that have a K9 unit would not give them up. They are very beneficial to the road patrol deputies and investigators. Discussion on how to fund this, whether it would be added to the budget or if funded by donations. The committee members were in consensus that the Sheriff should make a budget for it in the 2019 budget process which will be brought to the County Board. The Sheriff's Committee members are in support for a K9 unit.

Dan Clark left the meeting at 5:28 pm

Mark Abeles-Allison: Discussed the upcoming meeting on July 31st with Jan, Dan, Jim Crandall and himself regarding the shortage of EMS volunteers for all 8 services in the county. The committee members are invited to attend, but no actions will be taken at this meeting.

Next meeting date is August 20, 2018 at 4:30pm in the EOC

Upcoming Agenda items: Next meeting will be a budget session

Meeting ended at 5:35 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Deb Milanowski

Minutes approved on: 8.20.18 @ 4:33pm