

**Bayfield County Board of Supervisors**  
**Sheriff's, Emergency Government, Veterans and Child Support Committee**  
**September 17, 2018 Meeting Minutes**

**Members Present:** Jeremy Oswald, Larry Fickbohm, Dennis Pocerlich, Jeff Silbert

**Others Present:** Chief Deputy Dan Clark, Kevin Johnson-Veteran's Services, Jan Victorson-Emergency Management, Mark Abeles-Allison- County Administrator, Deb Milanowski-Sheriff's Office

Meeting called to order at 4:34 pm by Chairman Oswald

**Public Comment:** None

**Approval of Minutes:** *Motion by Larry Fickbohm, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jeff Silbert to approve the August 20, 2018 minutes. Motion carried (4-0)*

**Veteran's Services:** Kevin reported that he is on track with his 2018 budget and there are no issues. He is currently working with Ashland Area Development Corp. with veteran entrepreneurship programs. There is a facility near the Northern Lights Nursing Home that is to be used as a treatment facility for veterans. However, this would not be solely for veterans. He is working with New Horizons. Could be used for integration into civilian life from the service, jail, or mental health hospital. It would also be used for a safe place for veterans in crisis to stay for a brief period until they can get into treatment. With have 8 beds. Vet park in Iron River will have a program on October 25<sup>th</sup> centered around Frank Koski who is the State Commander of Veterans. He is receiving positive feedback on the military parking signs.

*Kevin left the meeting at 4:55pm*

**Report from Emergency Management:** Jan discussed the role of Emergency Management in the storm from June. Role involves 1. assessment: Where is the damage, how much damage and type of repair required? This information is put together and then given to the State which determines where we need help. Disaster proclamation has been prepared and sent to the governor. 2. Information-how to get the information to the public specifically about directions and how to get to places. We will qualify for the Emergency Management Performance Grant around \$39,800 for next year. The Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know grant will be around \$4,500. Reviewed the 2019 budget. The budget is increasing however, it will be offset by revenue. The Town of Russell repeater is a large budget item. This will add coverage in the Cornucopia.

Other projects included the critique and evaluation of the evacuation of Northern Lights. Jan prepared a report and provided it to Northern Lights; Critical Incident Stress Management team has been busy. They are looking at an October meeting; and working on a Mitigation plan.

**Report from the Sheriff's Office:** Have been busy since the last meeting. Reviewed a few incidents that had occurred. NexGen 911 will be coming up as important in the next couple of years. This will allow someone to text 911 and a message will get to dispatch. Also, included in this is a CPR mandate for dispatchers. We are not in a position to do this right now. We are in year 1 of a 3-year set up period. We will have to address this soon. Review of the 2019 budget with the biggest point of jail revenue from boarding. This has increased greatly from prior years.

**Next meeting date is October 15, 2018 at 4:30pm in the EOC**

*Meeting ended at 6:04 p.m.*

Minutes submitted by: Deb Milanowski

Minutes approved on: 10.15.18 @ 4:35pm