

Bayfield County Board of Supervisors
Sheriff's, Emergency Government, Veterans and Child Support Committee
October 19, 2020 Meeting Minutes

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

Others Present: Paul Susienka-Sheriff, Andy Runice- Chief Deputy, Kathleen Haiden-Jail Captain, Jan Victorson-Emergency Management, Jen Osmak- Child Support Office, Deb Milanowski-Sheriff's Office

Meeting called to order at 4:04 pm by Chairman Oswald

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

Child Support Office-Jen Osmak: Review of 2020 budget. Still looking to hire a Child Support Specialist for their department. Posting was re-opened and will close on 11/1/2020. Currently using Zoom for their court proceedings. Their office was closed for the last 2 weeks and has now opened as of today (due to a Covid exposure).

The satellite office in Cable is used each month on the 1st Wednesday but the lease is up this year. Looking for another satellite office in the county. Discussion of options available.

Emergency Management-Jan Victorson: Approaching 200 cases of Covid 19 in Bayfield County. There was an outbreak at Northern Lights. The National Guard will be helping with testing at the nursing home since they will need to test so often.

Close out done for the EPCRA and EMPG . The financials are due at the end of October. Two more towns (Bell & Clover) have completed their operational plans.

Review of the Basic Plan provided to the committee members.

Motion by Strand to approve the Basic Plan as presented, 2nd by Pocerlich. Motion carried (5-0).

Sheriff's Office:

Update on the progress of the two new deputies.

Should be receiving our components for the Nexgen 911 upgrade in November with the project completed in the early winter.

Red Cliff Agreement proposal was just received today, and Bayfield County will receive \$10,000.

Motion by Silbert to approve and recommend to the County Board that Bayfield County enter in with the Red Cliff Agreement and received \$10,000, 2nd by Pocerlich. Motion carried (5-0).

Reviewed the use of a nonlethal weapon in a recent case. The nonlethal weapon was a bean bag gun.

Jail Construction update: Punch list completed and will be reviewed next Wednesday at 9:00am. Accurint Controls here working on wiring. Glass replacement required since black glass was installed but these cells need to have clear glass.

Reviewed a couple recent incidents in the jail. There are 35 inmates (8 males and 7 females). One boarded inmate from Douglas County. No charge since we have swapped with one of our inmates.

Future Talking Points/Training/Education for this committee: Lexipol Review for November meeting.

Other Committee Concerns: Jailer Wages went to personnel. Will discuss at a later meeting.

Future Agenda Items: Report from Sheriff's Office on Election Day events (if any)

Public Comment: Sjana Schanning of Delta. Expressed concern over threats of violence at voting polls. Was referred to the Sheriff for discussion.

Next meeting date is November 16, 2020 at 4:00pm in the EOC or remotely. Meeting adjourned at: 5:25 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Deb Milanowski Minutes approved on: 11/16/2020 @ 4:04pm