

Bayfield County Board of Supervisors
Sheriff's, Emergency Government, Veterans and Child Support Committee
November 19, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Jeremy Oswald, Larry Fickbohm, Jeff Silbert

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

Meeting called to order at 4:30 pm by Chairman Oswald

Public Comment: None

Approval of Minutes: *Motion by Jeff Silbert, 2nd by Larry Fickbohm to approve the October 19, 2018 minutes. Motion carried (3-0)*

Report from Veteran's Services: The budget for 2018 is on course and there is nothing for Kevin to bring up about it. Reviewed the "Ready to Grow" handout that was provided to the members in the Dropbox. Any vet that wants to start own business and wants free help. One evening a week starting in December and they will offer marketing, account, legal and veteran's services. Bremer Grant -8 bed facility for short term mental health treatment for vet's and first responders was presented to the gentleman from Otto Bremer fund and they received positive feedback. Close to \$200,000 grant. Kevin assisted Ashland County with their interviews of a new CVSO- 5 applicants interviewed. Update provided on the Across the Pond site in Iron River. Fundraising continues with a pancake breakfast to be planned in December. Phase 1 construction in the spring (the Vet Memorial portion for flag pole and wall).

Kevin left the meeting at 4:39pm

Report from Emergency Management: Closed a couple of grants (EPCRA and the EMPG. Working on the Mitigation Plan. Would like to hold a public meeting prior to the 12/29 County Board meeting to have public input from 4-6. The night before (12/28) will be presented at the Town Association meeting. Jan is still receiving reports of damage from the June 2018 floods and she is continuing to work with the Pigeon Lake area from this flood.

Report from the Sheriff's Office: Budget is looking good for 2018. Reviewed a few cases that we are currently working on. The County-Tribal Agreement is still being worked on between Bayfield Co. and Red Cliff. The county had asked for 50% of the funds. Red Cliff would not sign the agreement and came back with a counter saying if we want half the funds, then we would have to work together on a schedule for Red Cliff between the two entities and Red Cliff would end up supplying less coverage. This agreement needs to be submitted by 11/30 to receive the funds. Discussion on the importance of the

money vs. the lack of coverage by Red Cliff to get the 50%. Direction by committee members to schedule a special meeting for the County Board next week and then act.

Captain Haiden updated the committee with the regard to the new phone system through Reliance. The inmates can now text and have video visits. This allows more options for visiting than in the past. There is a fee for the phone and texting and the inmates rent the IPOD for \$4/month. We receive revenue from the texting, video visits and rent. Visitors have a choice to come to the Sheriff's Office to visit or do it from home. If they come to the Sheriff's Office, it is free. Reviewed the jail population with a graph provided. There are 52 inmates as of this meeting with 11 boarded from other agencies. Currently looking for a part-time cook and part-time female jailer. Just hired a male part-time jailer that had worked in the Marenisco Prison system.

NexGen911- WCA article provided to members via Dropbox regarding this. Will comes do we want to handle it was discussed. Will be on the next legislative session for the WCA. We should go to this in the next 2 years. This will be tabled for more discussion at the December 17th meeting.

Next meeting date is December 17, 2018 at 4:30pm in the EOC

Meeting ended at 5:51 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Deb Milanowski

Minutes approved on: 12/17/18 4:35pm