

PEPIN COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 14, 2010 3:30 P.M.

Meeting called to order by Chairman Patrick Milliren

Present: Patrick Milliren, Mike Murray, George Dupre and Jon Tappe

Others present: Darlene Brunner, John Egli, Gina Rieck, and Audrey Lieftring

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion by Murray and seconded by Dupre to approve the minutes of the March 10, 2010 meeting. Motion carried.

Public Comments on Agenda Items

There were no public comments on agenda items.

Sheriff's Department

Voucher approval - Motion by Dupre and seconded by Tappe to approve vouchers as presented. Motion carried. Vouchers included payment for the new patrol car, which arrived today.

The Jail Report/Huber/Trust/Canteen Checking Accounts were reviewed. The jail had an average daily population of 30 prisoners in March 2010, of which there was a daily average of 17 borders.

Sheriff Andrews was transporting a prisoner, and unable to be at this meeting. The Nixle Program will be discussed at the next meeting.

Recommendation for Sheriff, Clerk of Courts, and Coroner's Salaries for 2011-2014 Term of Office

The committee was informed that the Sheriff was unable to attend this meeting, but requested consideration be given to establishing the salary for the Sheriff at \$61,000 for 2011; \$62,000 for 2012; \$63,000 for 2013; and \$64,000 for 2014. Murray recommended that the salary for the Sheriff's position be increased 2% each year, establishing the salary at \$57,625 for 2011; \$58,777 for 2012; \$59,953 for 2013; and \$61,152 for 2014. Motion by Dupre and seconded by Murray to recommend to the Personnel Committee that the salary for the Sheriff's position be increased 2% in each of the years of the 4-year term. Motion carried.

The committee discussed the Clerk of Courts salary. Because the Clerk of Courts received 2.5%, 1.5%, and 1.5% during the last three years of her term while other employees received 3% in each year, motion by Tappe and seconded by Dupre to recommend to the Personnel Committee to establish the salary the same as the Treasurer, Register of Deeds, and County Clerk for the years 2011 and 2012. The salary would be \$45,923 for 2011 (6% increase), and \$47,300 for 2012 (3% increase). They further recommended a 1% increase for 2013 and 1% increase for 2014. Motion carried.

Motion by Dupre and seconded by Murray to recommend to the Personnel Committee to establish the pay for the Coroner effective 1/1/2011 at \$75.00 for coroner calls and cremation permits; and for calls exceeding one hour to be paid \$175.00. Motion carried.

Clerk of Circuit Court – Voucher approval and office operations

Motion by Dupre and seconded by Tappe to approve vouchers presented. Motion carried.

Clerk of Courts Audrey Lieftring informed the committee that Judge Duvall does not want to pursue establishing fees for payment plans set up in the Clerk of Courts Office at this time with the economy as it is now. The committee agreed to put the consideration off the table at this time.

Circuit Court Judge - Voucher approval and office operations

Motion by Murray and seconded by Dupre to approve vouchers as presented. Motion carried.

Land Management/Emergency Government Office – Voucher approval and office operations

Motion by Dupre and seconded by Tappe to approve vouchers as presented. Motion carried.

NR 115 (Shoreland) Code Update – MRRPC/Grant

John Egli has reviewed the grant process, which requires a resolution to be adopted by May 1st, and includes an educational outreach requirement. Because NR115 is not finalized and there is no final model ordinance yet, Egli recommended to put applying for the grant on hold, and to wait for the final ordinance to be available. Application could be made again next year. Motion by Dupre and seconded by Murray to put the effort on temporary hold. Motion carried.

Arkansaw Creek Floodplain/Shoreland Issues Discussion

John Egli informed the committee that he is working with the consultant for the Town of Waterville on the CDBG Grant to divert some of the remaining funds that are unspent towards cleaning up Arkansaw Creek. Funds could be used towards removing some of the concrete and old foundations in the creek, getting the stream bank stabilized, and stabilizing the bed of the creek. Of over \$600,000 that was awarded, qualified expenses are around \$200,000. The committee supported this effort.

Long Term Power Outage Exercise Update

John Egli reported on the tabletop exercise which was held March 24th. George Dupre also attended this exercise. Egli will be doing a Government Center Continuity of Operations exercise later this year, which will also deal with operations during long term power outages.

Comprehensive Planning Status

Egli reported that MRRPC has not heard anything about the grants yet.

District Attorney - Voucher approval and office operations

Motion by Murray and seconded by Dupre to approve vouchers as presented. Motion carried.

Family Court Commissioner - Voucher approval

Motion by Dupre and seconded by Murray to approve voucher presented for the Family Court Commissioner. Motion carried.

Coroner - Voucher approval and office operations

Motion by Murray and seconded by Dupre to approve vouchers presented for the Coroner's Office. Motion carried.

Darlene Brunner informed the committee that a budget modification will be needed for the Coroner's Office. The budget included funding for three autopsies. There have already been four autopsies in 2010. This will be addressed further at next month's meeting. The committee suggested modifying the budget for the one autopsy not budgeted for, and two additional autopsies.

Nuisance Ordinance Amendment

Committee members signed the ordinance amendment to be acted on by the County Board.

Public Comments on Issues Other Than Agenda Items

There were no public comments on issues other than agenda items.

Adjourn

The next meeting is scheduled for May 12, 2010. Motion by Tappe and seconded by Dupre to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

Submitted by,
Darlene Brunner
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