

**Buffalo County Public Meeting Minutes**

**Committee/Board:** LAW ENFORCEMENT AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

**Date of Meeting:** January 09th, 2023

**Electronic and Hardcopy Filing Date:** January 5th, 2023

**1: Call to Order/Roll Call:**

Mike Taylor called the meeting to order at 11:30.

In person: Mike Taylor, Nathan Nelson, John Sendelbach, Carol McDonough. John Hadley (virtual)

Others present in person: Sheriff Mike Osmond, Chief Deputy Colin Severson, EM Lucas Teska, LT. Logan Olson, and Administrative Coordinator Lee Engfer. Virtually: Roxann Halverson, and Brommerick News

**2: Public Comments:** None

**3: Review/Discussion/Action: Minutes of Previous Meeting:**

Motion to approve November Minutes by Nate Nelson accepted minutes second by John Sendelbach. Motion passed.

**4: Review/Discussion: Committee Chair Report:** None

**5: Review/Discussion ~ Emergency Management Report:**

Lucas Teska advised that Nixle is now live, and he is working on getting that all up to date and making groups for departments to use. He has a couple of online trainings, and he is hoping to get his certificate at the end of February.

**6: Review/Discussion ~ Emergency Management current Expenditures:**

Lucas Teska advised that as of December 31st he was at 88%. He is still waiting on a couple of bigger expenses to come out yet, but it will be under 100%.

**7: Review/Discussion/Action: Law Enforcement Vouchers:**

Kassie Serum advised there was one correction for December paid in January for the amount of \$145.00 insurance will be paying for it. John Hadley wanted to know why there was 2 different credit card charges and I advised depending on when they come is where they get places. John also wanted to know what it is used for, and I advised it was used for training, any purchases where we can't be invoice, hotel stays. John Hadley also wanted to know why River Ratz cost has gone up within the last 6 months. Logan Olson explained that depending on what time of day people were released and what meals they ate could be a factor. Logan Olson is going to look into it and give more information at the next meeting.

## **8: Review/Discussion/Action ~ Law Enforcement Expenditures:**

Sheriff Osmond advised we are 76% with the Jail and 95% with Patrol. He also advised that we are still waiting on the corrections from the Administration office to correct the overtime and holiday pay. Sheriff Osmond asked Lee Engfer if Holiday pay would come out of this years as well and he stated it depends on the dates. Lee Engfer also stated that squad equipment has increased as well so that has made a difference.

## **9: Review/Discussion/Action ~ Motorola Credit**

Sheriff Osmond stated that we have a little over \$10,000 credit and he would like to keep the credit and use it to upgrade the radios. Sheriff Osmond advised that we got an email from Lisa Schuh asking if we should request a check. John Hadley asked how old the radios were and Lee Engfer stated that they were 3 years old. John Hadley made a motion to have them send a check and deposit into the Arpa account and use for something else. No one Seconded it. Nate Nelson made a motion to upgrade the radios and it was seconded by Carol McDonough. Roll call vote was taken: Mike Taylor-yes, Nathan Nelson-yes, John Sendelbach-yes, Carol McDonough-yes, and John Hadley-no. Motion passed.

## **10: Review/Discussion/Action ~ Detective Appointment Approval**

Sheriff Osmond stated that his previous detective position is vacant, and he would like to appoint Nic Scholl. Sheriff Osmond stated that Nic has been here for about 10 yeas and is the current K-9 Handler. Sheriff Mike Osmond advised that they posted the position in the office and Nic was the only one that signed up. Sheriff Osmond advised that Nic will still be the K-9 handler. Nate Nelson made a motion to accept Nic Scholl as the new Detective and it was seconded by John Sendelbach. Motion passed.

## **11: Review/Discussion/Action ~ Replace Open Deputy Position:**

Sheriff Osmond advised with Nic Moving to the detective position we will need to fill his position. Nelson made a motion to fill it and it was seconded by Carol McDonough. Motion passed. Sheriff Osmond advised that we received 7 applications for the deputy position and now will start the interview process.

## **12: Review/Discussion/Action ~Acceptance of K-9/DARE Donation:**

Chief Deputy Colin Severson advised that we had 4 donations. There was 3 for the K-9: \$250.00 from and Anonymous family, \$500.00 from the Alma Vet Clinic, and \$100.00 from a Steven and Jennifer Losinski. The donation for DARE was \$250.0 from and anonymous family. Mike Taylor accepted the donations.

## **13. Review/Discussion ~ Sheriff, Chief Deputy, and Jail Administrator Monthly Reports:**

Sheriff Osmond informed everyone that all of the towers except west towers have been updated. He also advised that he was told it wasn't supposed to make the towers better just make them more reliable. He also talked about a program that was started in the jail, that would drug test everyone that comes in which is funded through CJCC. He also talked about how jail staff is now wearing a taser and body warn cameras in the jail which will help with accountability. Sheriff

Osmond explained that we have been doing more posts on the Sheriff's Office Facebook page and that will be his plan going forward, the posts have been reaching a lot more people. Mike Osmond stated that for 2023 we had 3 vehicles on order and 1 came in early. He also informed everyone we received a letter of resignation from Corrections/Communications Officer Makenna Johnson. Sheriff Osmond would like to discuss what his plans are for the next 6 months at the next meeting.

Chief Deputy Severson advised that in November there were 549 cases, and a total of 66.75 hours of overtimes and 19 hours was reimbursed. Overtime was from people being out and a swat call and a fire. Chief Deputy Severson advised that in December there was a total of 560 Calls for Service and 43.25 hours of overtimes. He advised that 20.25 hours was reimbursed for overtime.

Lt. Logan Olson went over his November report, and they had 24 bookings and 4 were awaiting to be transported here as of November 30<sup>th</sup>. Lt. Logan Olson went over his December report and there were 27 bookings with 5 awaiting to be transported here as of December 31<sup>st</sup>. He also went over how they started the new Guardian RFID cell check system which everyone has been liking they log everything right on it as they are doing it.

Mike Taylor accepted.

**14: Review/Discussion/Action ~ Next Meeting Date and Time:**

A meeting for February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 11:30 was scheduled.

**15: Public comment not related to agenda items:** None

**16: Adjournment:**

12:20PM, John Sendelbach made a motion for adjournment, second by Carol McDonough

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Kassie Serum, Secretary