

Buffalo County Public Meeting Minutes

Committee/Board: LAW ENFORCEMENT AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT
COMMITTEE

Date of Meeting: July 10th, 2023

Electronic and Hardcopy Filing Date: July 3rd, 2023.

1: Call to Order/Roll Call:

In person: Carol McDonough, John Sendelbach, John Hadley, Nathan Nelson. Excused Mike Taylor.

Others present in person: Sheriff Mike Osmond, Lt Logan Olson.

2: Public Comments: None

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

John Hadley made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by John Sendelbach. Carried.

4: Review/Discussion: Committee Chair Report: None

5: Review/Discussion ~ Emergency Management Report:

Lucas Teska was not present for the meeting; his report went out in the packet. There were no questions about his report.

6: Review/Discussion ~ Emergency Management current Expenditures:

Overall Lucas is at 45%, there were no questions on the report.

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

John Hadley asked what US Bank was used for. Kassie advised it is used for training, ordering items online. John Hadley asked what the snappers bill was from it was for \$738.09. Kassie looked up the bill, it was for labor, parts, oil change. John Hadley asked what we use Redline for, Sheriff Osmond stated they do everything from, radio, lights repair and install. John Hadley asked if we changed our uniforms, Sheriff Osmond just advised that we have a lot of new staff that need uniforms. Osmond advised we try to reuse what uniforms we can. Sheriff Osmond advised that in the future he would like to stick with all Police Rated vehicles, so anyone can use them.

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

Sheriff Osmond started off with they are operating at 66% staffing. Sheriff Osmond advised we are 42% on wages which is under budget. We are at 48% total for Law enforcement. Osmond pointed out that we are over on the overtime line item. Osmond informed the board that his goal is to not allow just one person on at night, they are trying to help with that by doing traffic safety grants to get more people on at those times. Jail is at overall 40%.

9. Review/Discussion/Action ~ Acceptance of Donations:

Sheriff Osmond advised that the policy needs to be reviewed for donations. He explained that some of the checks sit for a month or more before we can deposit them depending on when the checks come. John Sendelbach made a motion to move the \$10,000 donation to the full county board and it was 2nded by Nate Nelson. Nate Nelson made a motion to accept the donation and it was 2nd by John Sendelbach.

10. Review/Discussion/Action ~ Sheriff, Chief Deputy, and Jail Administrator Monthly Reports:

Sheriff Osmond started off with budget options with one of them being able to change money from one line item to the next based off of need. Osmond then went onto that our vest plates are expired, and he would like to replace half this year and the next half next year. He would like to do long-term planning, so this doesn't happen again. John Sendelbach asked Osmond how many he was looking to get, he stated 7 this year and 7 next year. Carol asked what happens if everyone gets called out, then there is liability. John Hadley asked why we couldn't use k-9 or National Night out Fund and Osmond advised that when people donate to those programs, they want the money to go there and not on something else. Sheriff Osmond advised that the Gilmanton Fair went well, they had one 1 arrest. We had a squad crash, that is being investigated by Trempealeau County and there was minor injury. Osmond advised that they are 66% staffing for patrol and the Jail should be done with training at the end of August. We are still pushing to get another mail hired. Osmond also brought of the JDQ'S and how he is hoping that before they implement the scale, they talk to everyone about it.

Osmond advised that Chief Deputy Colin Severson was not at the meeting due to working at the Gilmanton Fair this past weekend.

Logan Olson advised that in June they have had a total of 24 bookings with a total of 158 for 2023 so far. He stated that we are now housing female's inmates again. He discussed training, Zach and Julie have completed training and Patty is still in training and is estimated to be done at the end of August.

11. Review/Discussion/Action ~Next Meeting Date and Time:

A meeting on August 14th, 2023, at 11:30 a.m. was scheduled.

12. Public comment not related to agenda items: None

13. Adjournment

John Hadley made a motion to adjourn at 12:30.

Kassie Serum, Secretary