



PORTAGE COUNTY

MEETING MINUTES

PORTAGE COUNTY LEC
TRAINING ROOM
1500 STRONGS AVENUE
STEVENS POINT, WI 54481

PUBLIC SAFETY/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Wednesday, July 24, 2024

8:00 AM

REMOTE ATTENDANCE & COMMENT

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CALL TO ORDER

The Public Safety/Emergency Management Committee meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM

Members Present: Don Jankowski, Stan Potocki, David Medin, Shaun Przybylski

Attending In-Person: Don Jankowski, Stan Potocki, David Medin, Shaun Przybylski

Attending Online:

Members Excused:

Members Absent: Barry Jacowski

Others Attending:

Sheriff Mike Lukas, Sheriff's Office

Captain Josh Ostrowski, Sheriff's Office

Captain Ronnie Leach, Sheriff's Office

Katarzyna Norgaard, Sheriff's Office, Recording Secretary

Robert Weinert, EM

Andrea Krantz, EMS

Heather Schultz, Medical Examiner

Cass Cousins, District Attorney

John Pavelski, County Executive

Jennifer Jossie, Finance Director (Remote)

Anthony Luchini, Plover Fire Department/EMS (Remote)

Adam Meshak, Amherst Fire Department/EMS (Remote)

CORRESPONDENCE

1. EMS Provider Monthly Activity Reports
2. Medical Director's Report

PRESENTATIONS

3. Portage County Sheriff's Office Awards

None

VENDOR INVOICE LIST REPORTS

No questions on Vendor Invoices

4. Sheriff
5. Emergency Management

6. Emergency Medical Services
7. Medical Examiner
8. District Attorney

SHERIFF'S OFFICE ACTIVITY REPORTS

9. Emergency Management

EM Coordinator Bob Weinert:

- Countywide Hazard Mitigation Plan Update:
 - Met with 8 towns and villages
 - Met with 4 school districts
 - The Mitigation Plan Steering Committee was sent the current status of the update process
- Participated in the Family Assistance Center on-site analysis with the Stevens Point School District, Stevens Point Fire and Police, and County Emergency Management
- Participated in the Northeast Regional Meeting in Oconto
- Three Chemical Facility Off-site Response Plans are ready to be presented to the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) for approval
- Working on reviewing Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) by-laws
- WICAMS cards are continuing to be printed

10. Emergency Medical Services

EMS Coordinator Andrea Krantz:

- State ambulance inspections have been completed
- Working with IT on Pulse Point interface
- Testing new video laryngoscopes

11. Jail Activities

Captain Ronnie Leach:

- Conducted promotional interviews for the vacant Corporal position - the new corporal will start on August 13, 2024
- One male and one female Corrections Officer vacancy in the jail
- One male Corrections Officer completed field training
- One new Corrections Officer was sworn in on July 23, 2024
- Two employees are currently on FMLA and two are on light duty
- We are again utilizing all the contracted jail beds in Waupaca along with eight beds in Waushara County

12. Operations Activities

Captain Josh Ostrowski:

- Patrol
 - Two deputies are in training and are doing well
- Communication Center:
 - Completed interviews for the vacant Communication Technician position, backgrounding one candidate
 - Will be conducting more interviews in the coming weeks
 - One Communication Technician is mid-way through the training and is doing well

13. Administrative Activities

Sheriff Mike Lukas:

- PuroClean K-9 Fundraiser brought in \$3900
- There are two upcoming K-9 events:
 - Burgers with Badges - Mr. Brews on August 1, 2024, 2pm-4pm
 - Hatchets with the Hounds - Section 715 on August 3, 2024 at noon (Portage County vs. Wood County)
- Recent promotions/position changes (both going into effect on August 5, 2024):
 - Marielle Yenter to Detective
 - Brandon Johnson to Community Resource Officer
- Assisted with traffic control during the Amherst Fair (July 18-20, 2024)
- July 17, 2024 - Round table with Tammy Baldwin regarding Fentanyl problem and other issues
- July 23 - Attended ribbon cutting at the AMETA Center
- July 25, 2024 - Work Zone Safety event with Governor Evers
- Thank you to Waushara County for helping with housing Portage County inmates
- Thank you to MECA Wisconsin Police Canine Vest Foundation, Inc., which donated \$20,000 to the Portage County K-9 Fund on behalf of the late Marla K. Lichtenberger

14. Medical Examiner Activities

Medical Examiner Heather Schultz:

- Attended biannual Wisconsin Medical Examiners and Coroners Conference
- Regional Forensic Science Center broke ground for the new facility

15. District Attorney Activities

District Attorney Cass Cousins:

- Working through the disruptions caused by the Waupaca County IT outage

PUBLIC NOTICE

Members of the public who wish to address the Committee on specific agenda items must register their request at this time, with such comments subject to the public comment ordinance and the reasonable control of the Committee Chair as set forth in Robert's Rules of Order.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

16. Public Safety/Emergency Management Committee Meeting Minutes June 26, 2024

A motion was made by David Medin, seconded by Shaun Przybylski, to approve the June 26, 2024 Public Safety/Emergency Management Committee Meeting Minutes. Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

17. Discussion/Possible Action Re: New Positions Request - Two Deputies and One Lieutenant

A motion was made by Stan Potocki, seconded by Shaun Przybylski, to approve the New Positions Request - Two Deputies and One Lieutenant. Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes and one committee member absent.

18. Discussion/Possible Action Re: Special Meeting Attendance (Portage County Ordinance 3.1.47 & 3.1.48)

- Request for special meeting attendance
- Approval of attendance of special meetings
- Special meeting attendance reports

NEXT MEETING DATE Wednesday, August 28, 2024 at 8:00AM, LEC Training Room

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Stan Potocki, seconded by Shaun Przybylski, to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:32am.

