



PORTAGE COUNTY

MEETING MINUTES

PUBLIC SAFETY/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

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

Wednesday, December 18, 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: Barry Jacowski

Members Absent:

Others Attending:

Sheriff Mike Lukas, Sheriff's Office

Chief Deputy Ben Beaudoin, Sheriff's Office

Captain Josh Ostrowski, Sheriff's Office

Captain Ronnie Leach, Sheriff's Office

Katarzyna Norgaard, Sheriff's Office, Recording Secretary

Stephanie Laug, Sheriff's Office

Robert Weinert, EM

Andrea Krantz, EMS

Cass Cousins, District Attorney

Joseph Gemza, Stevens Point Fire Department/EMS

Dr. Philip Kostka, Medical Director

Anthony Luchini, Plover Fire Department/EMS (Remote)

CORRESPONDENCE

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

PRESENTATIONS

3. Portage County Sheriff's Office Awards

New Communication Technician, Veronica Anderson, was introduced to the committee members.

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

- Plan Updates
- Operations and Exercises
- Meetings, Conferences, and Trainings
- Office Activities

EM Coordinator Bob Weinert:

- Working on Mitigation Plan updates
- Finished County Integrated Preparedness Plan
- Working with the Facilities to develop the county's declaration of sheltering exercise and training
- Participated in the Stevens Point Emergency Operations Center exercise
- EM Deputy Coordinator is working on McCain Foods and Lineage Logistics tabletop exercises for HAZMAT release
- Attended Walk Wisconsin planning meeting
- Working on closing out grants by the end of the month

10. Emergency Medical Services

- Grant Applications and Reporting
- Meetings, Trainings, Operations, and Activities

EMS Coordinator Andrea Krantz:

- Update on the Funding Assistance Program Grant: the actual grant amounts may be around \$110,00-\$130,000
- Attended Walk Wisconsin planning meeting
- Working with Baraboo Fire Department to purchase a Tempus Heart Monitor

11. Jail Activities

- Staffing, Operations, and Activities

Captain Ronnie Leach:

- Working on filling one vacancy for a female Corrections Officer
- Jail inspection by the Department of Corrections is taking place on December 18, 2024

12. Operations Activities

- Patrol - Staffing, Operations, and Activities
- Communication Center - Staffing, Operations, and Activities

Captain Josh Ostrowski:

- Patrol:
 - One new Patrol Deputy (Emily Nolan) will be starting on December 19, 2024
 - One new Patrol Deputy (Samantha Ritter) will be starting on January 6, 2025
- Communication Center:
 - Two new Communication Technicians started on December 3, 2024
 - Interviews for additional vacancies in the Communication Center are scheduled for January

13. Administrative Activities

- Staffing, Operations, and Activities
- Past and Upcoming Events

Sheriff Mike Lukas:

- Past Events:
 - December 7, 2024 - Salvation Army Red Kettle Bell Ringing at Metro Market in Park Ridge - took 2nd place in the first responder challenge
 - December 14, 2024 - Shop with a Cop event in Plover
- Drone Program:
 - Received one drone so far
 - Working on pilot's licenses for 5 drone operators

14. Medical Examiner Activities

- Staffing, Operations, and Activities
- Conferences and Trainings

15. District Attorney Activities

- Staffing, Operations, and Activities

District Attorney Cass Cousins:

- No updates

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 November 20, 2024

A motion was made by David Medin, seconded by Shaun Przybylski, to approve the November 20, 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: 2025 Public Safety/Emergency Management Committee Meeting Schedule

Per the committee request, there will be one change made to the 2025 meeting schedule: November meeting will be moved from November 26, 2025 to November 19, 2025.

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, January 22, 2025 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 8:16am.

