



PORTAGE COUNTY

MEETING MINUTES

PUBLIC SAFETY/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

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

Wednesday, March 25, 2026

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 8:00AM

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

Captain Josh Ostrowski, Sheriff's Office

Captain Ronnie Leach, Sheriff's Office

Kasia Norgaard, Sheriff's Office, Recording Secretary

Stephanie Laug, Sheriff's Office

Lt. Jason Meidl, Sheriff's Office

Andrea Krantz, EMS

Heather Schultz, Medical Examiner

John Pavelski, County Executive

Christopher Schultz, Purchasing

PaYeng Baldemor, Purchasing

Anthony Luchini, Stevens Point Fire Department

Adam Meshak, Amherst Fire Department

CORRESPONDENCE

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

PRESENTATIONS

3. Portage County Sheriff's Office Awards

ACTIVITY REPORTS

4. Emergency Management Activities
 - Plan Updates
 - Operations and Exercises
 - Meetings, Conferences, and Trainings

- Office Activities

5. Emergency Medical Services Activities

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

EMS Coordinator Andrea Krantz:

- Annual Portage County Safety Fair is scheduled for May 16, 2026 at Mark Motors in Plover
- Started a training course with the Department of Rural Health for EMS Operations and Management
- Two new ambulances are in service

6. Jail Activities

- Staffing, Operations, and Activities

Captain Ronnie Leach:

- High inmate numbers in the jail
- One Corrections Officer was promoted to Corporal position
- Three new Corrections Officers are in training and are doing well
- Currently have two vacant female positions and one vacant male position

Sheriff Mike Lukas:

- Recently had a Corrections Officer injury in the jail

7. Operations Activities

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

Captain Josh Ostrowski:

- Patrol:
 - Deputy interviews are scheduled for March 26 and 27, 2026
 - Had In-Service training for the Patrol Division over the past couple of weeks
- Communication Center:
 - Communication Technician interviews for open positions are ongoing
 - One new Communication Technician is in training and is doing well

8. Administrative Activities

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

Sheriff Mike Lukas:

- Thank you to the committee members for their service on the committee
- Thank you to staff who went above and beyond to come to work during the recent winter storm
- Will be attending the National Sheriffs Association (NSA) Conference in June in Omaha, NE (received scholarship to attend)
- Started implementing the Aurelian AI Dispatch this week
- Participated in the SPASH Career Fair on March 11, 2026
- Drug Takeback will take place the week of April 20, 2026
- April 25, 2026 - Will be attending Wisconsin Professional Police Association (WPPA) awards banquet recognizing Deputy Brad Mathwich with Life Saving and Valor Awards

- United Special Sportsman Alliance (USSA) Annual Veterans Turkey Hunt will take place the weekend of March 27-29, 2026

9. Medical Examiner Activities

- Staffing, Operations, and Activities
- Conferences and Trainings

Medical Examiner Heather Schultz:

- No Update

10. District Attorney Activities

- Staffing, Operations, and Activities

11. Special Meeting Attendance Reports (Portage County Ordinance 3.1.47 & 3.1.48)

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

12. Public Safety/Emergency Management Committee Meeting Minutes February 25, 2026

A motion was made by David Medin, seconded by Shaun Przybylski, to approve the February 25, 2026 Public Safety/Emergency Management Committee Meeting Minutes. Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

DISCUSSION ONLY

13. Courthouse Screening and Controlled Access Policy

Sheriff Mike Lukas:

- This policy is related to the single point access at the Portage County Courthouse
- It is a working document that will be updated as things change

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

14. Resolution RE: Approving and Authorizing a Three-Year Contract with Talon Protection Agency, Inc. to Provide Security Guard Services for the Portage County Courthouse

A motion was made by David Medin, seconded by Shaun Przybylski, to approve Resolution RE: Approving and Authorizing a Three-Year Contract with Talon Protection Agency, Inc. to Provide Security Guard Services for the Portage County Courthouse. Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

NEXT MEETING DATE Wednesday, April 22, 2026 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 8:27am