



PORTAGE COUNTY

MEETING MINUTES

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

PUBLIC SAFETY/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Wednesday, October 26, 2022

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, Scott Soik, David Medin, David Peterson

Attending In-Person: Don Jankowski, Stan Potocki, Scott Soik, David Medin, David Peterson

Attending Online:

Members Excused:

Members Absent:

Others Attending:

Sheriff Mike Lukas, Sheriff's Office

Chief Deputy Ben Beaudoin, Sheriff's Office

Captain Ron Leach, Sheriff's Office

Denise Nash, Sheriff's Office

Katarzyna Norgaard, Sheriff's Office, Recording Secretary

Robert Weinert, EM

Andrea Krantz, EMS

John Pavelski, County Executive

Joe Gemza, Stevens Point Fire Department

Elizabeth Joseph, Sheriff's Office

Alaina Allen, UWSP Student

Brandi Makuski, Point/Plover Metro Wire (Remote)

Jennifer Jossie, Finance Director (Remote)

Anthony Luchini, Plover Fire/EMS (Remote)

Adam Meshak, Amherst Fire Department (Remote)

Dr. Michael Clark, Medical Director (Remote)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Public Safety/Emergency Management Committee Meeting Minutes September 28, 2022

A motion was made by David Medin, seconded by David Peterson, to approve September 28, 2022 Public Safety Emergency Management Committee Meeting Minutes. Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

VENDOR INVOICE LIST REPORTS

No questions on Vendor Invoices

2. Sheriff
3. Emergency Medical Services
4. Medical Examiner

SHERIFF'S OFFICE ACTIVITY REPORTS

5. Emergency Management

EM Coordinator Bob Weinert:

- Deputy EM Coordinator Nicole Erickson resigned as of October 20, 2022
- Recruiting for the open Deputy EM Coordinator position
- Dam exercises in Portage County have been going well
- Working on preparing 2023 grant paperwork
- Completing planning requirements for the countrywide Hazardous Materials Strategic Plan
- The next Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 3 at 8:30 am at the Plover Fire Department

6. Emergency Medical Services

EMS Coordinator Andrea Krantz:

- The first EMS Public Forum that took place on September 29, 2022 did not have a great turnout
- EMS Association Annual Banquet took place on October 25, 2022. Numerous individuals were recognized with awards
- Continuing testing aircards throughout the county
- Working with Health and Human Services and Dr. Clark on the Narcan Program (Hope Kits)

7. Jail Activities

Captain Ron Leach:

- The new Corrections Officer is doing well in training
- Recruiting for one female vacant position in the Juvenile Detention Center

8. Operations Activities

Sheriff Mike Lukas:

- Patrol:
 - The new deputy is doing well in training
 - Deputies will be helping out with the trick-or-treating events in the county and will be giving out candy donated by Walmart, Target and Portage County Deputy Sheriff's Association. Thank you to those donors for their generosity.
- Communication Center:
 - Several positions are still open
 - Conducted second interviews with several candidates

9. Administrative Activities

Sheriff Mike Lukas:

- Patrol and Communications Center as well as EMS and some citizens have done a great job with the river rescue (capsized boat)
- Detective Dustin Kitzman took first place in the County Mutual Shoot. He was awarded \$10,000 for range improvements

- Detective Dustin Kitzman has done a great job on the Janet Raasch case investigation
- The body found in the town of Belmont has been identified
- Congratulations to the Communications Center Manager Denise Nash who was recognized by the Wisconsin Crisis Negotiators Association
- Drug Takeback this week throughout the county
- On October 14, 2022 two Corrections Officers graduated from the Jail Academy in Wisconsin Rapids
- There likely will need to be a budget amendment for the EMS Flex grant that we were awarded recently

10. Medical Examiner Activities

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 reasonable control of the Committee Chair as set forth in Robert's Rules of Order.

CORRESPONDENCE

11. EMS Provider Monthly Activity Reports

12. Medical Director's Report

Dr. Michael Clark:

- Planning for US Senior Open in 2023
 - Aspirus will be the medical provider for the event
 - Working with Stevens Point Fire Department and EMS on providing medical transportation for the event

DISCUSSION ONLY

13. Facility Master Planning

Chairman Don Jankowski:

- Still looking at numbers for the project

14. Grant Information Form - FY 2023 PSAP Grant Program

Sheriff Mike Lukas:

- Applying for a PSAP Grant and ARPA funds as a back up to finalize the Next Gen 9-1-1 Project

15. Purchase of K-9 Plush Dog Toys for sale by the Portage County Sheriff's Office

Sheriff Mike Lukas:

- Plush K-9 toys will be purchased and then sold at the Sheriff's Office

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

- 16. Resolution Re: Approving and Authorizing Acceptance of Donated Funds and 2022 Budget Adjustment for New Handguns, Holsters, Red Dot Sights and Helmet Cameras for the Sheriff's Office Operations Division and Special Response Team (SRT)**

A motion was made by David Medin, seconded by Stan Potocki, to approve the resolution re: Approving and Authorizing Acceptance of Donated Funds and 2022 Budget Adjustment for New Handguns, Holsters, Red Dot Sights and Helmet Cameras for the Sheriff's Office Operations Division and Special Response Team (SRT). Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

17. Discussion/Possible Action Re: 2023 Public Safety/Emergency Management Committee Meeting Schedule

A motion was made by Scott Soik, seconded by David Peterson, to approve the 2023 Public Safety/Emergency Management Committee Meeting Schedule. Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

18. Discussion/Possible Action Re: Regarding 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, November 23, 2022 at 8:00 am

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Scott Soik, seconded by Stan Potocki, to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote.
Meeting adjourned at 8:27 AM

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Notice: A quorum of the Portage County Board of Supervisors, or any committee thereof, may be present at this meeting.