

POLK COUNTY PUBLIC PROTECTION
AND JUDICIAL COMMITTEE

October 7, 2008

1:00 p.m.

Present:	Jay Luke	Kim O'Connell	Joan Peterson
	Neil Johnson	Brian Masters	
Also Present:	Jeffrey B. Fuge	Jonn Dinnies	Dan Steffen
	Lois Hoff	Steve Moe	Cathy Poirier
	Chad Hoag	Laurie Finn	

Jay Luke called the monthly meeting of the Polk County Public Protection and Judicial Committee to order at approximately 1:00 p.m.

Agenda: Motion to approve agenda by Brian Masters; second by Neil Johnson. All in favor; motion passes.

Minutes: Motion to approve minutes of September 2, 2008 by Kim O'Connell; second by Joan Peterson. All in favor; motion passes.

Sheriff: Steve Moe tendered the Application for the 2009 County/Tribal Law Enforcement Grant to the Committee for signature.

Motion to support the Grant as presented and forward to the County Board by Jay Luke; second by Brian Masters. All in favor; motion passes.

Kathy Poirier provided information relative to the Hazardous Material Mitigation Plan Grant. Funding and matching-funding discussed. Updates and status reports will be provided to the Committee for follow-through in connection with procedural timelines.

Budget Update provided by Steve Moe. Modifications relative to the same were discussed. Neil Johnson discussed personnel cuts in general.

Kim O'Connell inquired about the finalization of the Tower Project costs. This matter will be closed pending various adjustments.

Steve Moe tendered the current Staffing Analysis. Discussion held.

Sheriff's Report. A discussion was held relative to the auto accident in Balsam Lake on 10/03/08. A general narrative was provided.

DA: Appeal on Budget Plan forthcoming pending new program research and protocol. Discovery costs may increase.

ME: Jonn Dinnies announced that the new cremation fees are now in effect. Revised Deputy ME Job Description tendered. Discussion held relative to the fee for on-call assistance from \$35.00/day to \$75.00/day. This does not affect the budget and is a line item change only.

Motion to approve the same and forward to Personnel by Brian Masters; second by Kim O'Connell. All in favor; motion passes.

Revised Chief Deputy ME Job Description tendered. Discussion held relative to salary change. This does not affect the budget and is a line item change only.

Motion to approve the change from \$6,000.00/travel/mileage to \$7,000.00/travel/mileage and to forward the job description to Personnel by Neil Johnson; second by Brian Masters. All in favor; motion passes.
CLERK: Staffing update provided.

Lois Hoff requested payment of attorney fees related to outside counsel over and above county legal defense expenses on insurance contract coverage. Aspects of subject case discussed. Settlement and Release Agreement tendered. Case closed.

Jeff Fuge suggested no action be taken on the fee issue pursuant to Wis. Stat. Sec. 893.80.

Motion to take no action by the Committee by Neil Johnson; second by Kim O'Connell. All in favor; motion passes.
CSA: Monthly Activity Report tendered. The 2009 budget update spreadsheet regarding guidelines and plans of action on specific areas discussed.

WCA Seminar notice tendered.

Fall Conference narrative relative to the presentation made by Jeff Fuge and Bonnie Chivers in connection with foster care situations was discussed.

There is still a funding surplus on the performance report. Waiting for September figures. Details given. Current standing relative to performance explained as well as the State's goal. Annual contract coming soon; the same to be presented to County Board in December. Performance funding versus staffing cuts discussed.

Cash Handling Policies of the Bureau of Child Support and the Polk County Child Support Agency are similar, however implications and confidential aspects of the policy were discussed. Potential timelines to be affected as well as refunds. There are no problems with the new policy. There will be a special meeting of the Public Protection Committee on September 14 at 1:00 P.M. in connection with applicable Grievance Committee procedures.

Motion to adjourn by Brian Masters; second by Kim O'Connell. All in favor; motion passes.

Meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.