

DODGE COUNTY
LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
June 3, 2016

Call to order: Meeting was called to order by Chair, MaryAnn Miller, at 8:00 a.m.; a quorum was established with the following members present:

MaryAnn Miller
Larry Bischoff
Larry Schraufnagel
Dan Hilbert
Thomas Nickel

Also Present: James Mielke, County Administrator; Lynn Hron, Clerk of Courts; Kurt Klomberg, District Attorney; Bob Barrington, District Attorney Managing Attorney; Bernie Mueller, Child Support Agency; Dale Schmidt, Dodge County Sheriff; Scott Smith, Chief Deputy, Sheriff's Office; Patrick Schoebel, Medical Examiner; Steven Seim, Family Court Commissioner; and Lynn Steger, Register in Probate.

Miller certifies compliance with the Open Meeting Law.

Approval of Agenda and Allow for Deviation: Motion made by Hilbert to approve Agenda and to allow for deviation; second by Bischoff. Motion carried.

Public Comment: None

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Schraufnagel to approve Minutes of May 6, 2016, and May 17, 2016; second by Hilbert. Motion carried.

Communications: None.

Announcements: None.

Committee Member Reports: Maryann Miller indicates that she attended the Law Enforcement Memorial Service and she hopes that more of the members can attend next year.

Circuit Court/Judge's Report: None.

Child Support Report: Bernie Mueller informs that on Tuesday, June 1st, mandatory e.filing started. The positive aspect of this is that the CCAP representatives are very easy to work with and they are trying to fix the issues that arise. The negative part of the new system is that prior to the mandatory e.filing date, the Child Support systems were working great; all the case workers had PIN numbers and were able to work. However, after the switch, CCAP took all the delegations / PIN numbers away. Now in order to have the system work, the case workers need to sign in under the Child Support attorneys' PIN numbers and the two attorneys are not very happy about that. They have not been able to file any Orders since Tuesday because the new system does not take word documents. CCAP is trying to work this out and it is now their #1 priority. Mueller states that she tried using Internet Explorer Browser, but that did not work. She also tried Firefox, which works but the County does not like this program because it does not have the firewalls, etc. needed. Bob Barrington states that delegation is huge and as an

attorney giving your PIN to anyone to use could have an impact on your law license. Hron comments. Mueller states that one of the Child Support attorneys may have come up with a fix in that a number could be issued to the Agency; CCAP is going to investigate that idea. Mueller states that if CCAP cannot fix this problem, that some of the Child Support Offices may pull out. Hron comments that CCAP will need to take a look at how to manage this issue on a global, statewide scale.

Clerk of Courts Report: Lynn Hron advises that Judge Bauer asked her to let the Committee know that he was at the Sixth District Meeting today and unable to come to this meeting. The Sixth District Judges meet quarterly to work through various issues affecting their counties.

Hron informs the Committee that Pam Knapp, the Account Clerk for the Clerk of Courts office, recently received an award for victim assistance. Her job is to collect and manage the money that comes in. This year the Clerk of Courts took over the collection of money from the Department of Corrections for restitution for victims. They have implemented procedures to talk to defendants right after their hearings in order to get some money right away and to put them on payment plans, etc. Kayla Her, Victim Witness Coordinator from the DA's office, applied for this award on behalf of Pam Knapp because of all her hard work and dedication in collecting funds for victims. Knapp received Honorable Mention from the State of Wisconsin. Bob Barrington pointed out that there are no 2nd or 3rd places for this award and that the competition for it is mostly DA's. Kurt Klomberg explains the process that the DOC used to collect monies. Klomberg notes that the main issue is to get restitution for victims and Dodge County has once again proven to be a leader in innovation in the justice system. Dodge County should be proud of this accomplishment!

Hron reiterates that the mandatory e.filing started on June 1st. She indicates that there have been a few bumps in the road and that the Child Support issue is the biggest problem. She states that they have been getting calls from law offices panicking, but informs that there were trainings scheduled for weeks and months before this mandatory filing came into effect that law offices were encouraged to attend. CCAP was here last week, this week, and will be here next week or longer if needed until all the issues are resolved.

District Attorney Report: Kurt Klomberg notes he has nothing on the Agenda; things are going well. Bob Barrington informs that the summer intern has started. The intern is a 2nd year law student who can do research, briefs, can be in court, etc. In addition, a paralegal intern started recently. The intern program is a very good program for these individuals.

Medical Examiner Report: P.J. Schoebel advises he has nothing to report this month; everything is status quo.

Sheriff Office Report: Sheriff Schmidt states that he wants to start giving the Committee a monthly operational update so that they know what the Department does. He states that Dodge County has approximately 900 square miles. During May there were the following crashes: 92 property damage, 30 personal injury, 1 fatality, and 38 car versus deer. There were 407 ambulance calls; 45 OWI arrests; 68 ordinance violations and 152 suspicious complaints. Regarding traffic issues, there were 2,112 traffic stops and 361 traffic complaints. Total, there were 7,030 calls for service in Dodge County in May, this includes ambulance, fire, etc.

Schmidt states that he is happy to say that the three new hires have finished their field training, however, yesterday Schmidt received two resignations (one of the new hires and one current

employee). They have just hired two more individuals who just started training and in checking with HR he learned that there are only two applicants in the current recruitment. The Sheriff is frustrated because the resignation of the individual who has been employed longer with the Sheriff's Office is leaving to go to the Walmart Distribution Center where they have indicated they will make more money. Scott Smith also voices his frustration. Jim Mielke comments.

Sheriff Schmidt mentions that there will be some canine issues coming up but that he wants his staff to hear it first; however, he wants the Committee to be aware that there will be some news regarding the canines; he does note that it is good news, not bad.

Sheriff Schmidt distributes a letter concerning the 2015 budget noting that his office returned \$57,589.00 to the General Fund. He recaps that last year he requested \$510,289.00 additional monies, however, they did not need those extra funds due to being proactive. He states that they got the numbers up in November and December and in the end did not need the additional funds. Schmidt advises that from January through May, 2016, there was an average of 272 beds used and they budgeted for 235. Their relationship with ICE is fantastic at this point.

Regarding the sex offender placement meetings and strategies, Sheriff Schmidt states that he is attending a core organizational meeting with the Lomira Police Chief and several other area individuals. There is a tentative community notification meeting date scheduled of June 20th at 6:00 p.m. at the Lomira High School. Schmidt informs the Committee as to all of the restrictions that will be implemented for these two individuals, i.e. they will have to have a chaperone with them if they go anywhere, even work; they cannot work with any children, elderly or disabled individuals. The Sheriff's Office has a Mutual Aid Agreement with the Lomira Police Department and now they have authority to do extra patrolling.

Sheriff Schmidt explains the Resolution being presented concerning the termination of the Memorandum of Understanding between Watertown Police and the Sheriff's Office dealing with the Highway 16 Bypass. He states that this is not used much anymore and there is no such agreement like this anywhere else in the County. Motion by Nickel for a Resolution to terminate the Memorandum of Understanding between Watertown Police and Sheriff's Office – Highway 16 Bypass; second by Bischoff. There being no objections, Motion is carried.

Scott Smith describes the proposed Ordinance amending Chapter 9 - Peace & Order - to create Section 9.09. He states that they failed to make clear at the time of the first amendment to Chapter 9 the reporting requirements for pawn brokers and secondhand article and jewelry dealers. This amendment would require that this group of people report electronically. Smith explains the website *Leads on Line*. Smith indicates that they are not looking to write more citations for noncompliance, but they are trying to work with the pawn dealers, etc. in order to get them to be compliant. Sheriff Schmidt gives an example of the importance of this requirement. Klomberg states that this is a valuable tool.

Scott Smith addresses the pending amendment to add a mid-level practitioner to the Dodge County Detention Facility healthcare contract. He states that at one point they were not qualified to have chronic care, however they have worked with CCS and with an amendment to the current contract they hope to incorporate that into the new contract after Corporation Counsel's review. They believe the cost will be less than \$50,000.

Other business: None.

Informational Presentation: Sheriff Schmidt shows the Committee the Unmanned Aerial System (Drone) that the Sheriff's Office has purchased. He indicates that battery life is 17-20 minutes; it has a 400 foot ceiling and can go about 25-30 m.p.h. They intend to use the Drone for accident scenes, manhunt/swat/searches, search & rescue and possibly warrants. The cost was between \$1,300.00 and \$1,400.00. There are nine trained users in the Department.

The Committee recesses at 9:13 a.m. to go outdoors to see the Drone in action.

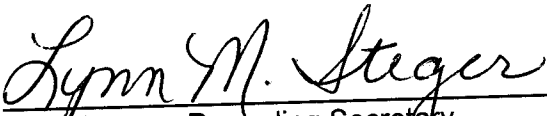
The meeting reconvenes in front of the Justice Facility at 9:17 a.m. Sheriff Schmidt demonstrates the Drone.

Next Meeting: Friday, July 1, 2016, at 8:00 a.m. at the Dodge County Justice Facility.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 9:27 a.m. by the Chair, MaryAnn Miller.

Disclaimer: The above minutes may be approved, amended or corrected at the next committee meeting.


Larry Schraufnager, Secretary


Lynn Steger, Recording Secretary