DODGE COUNTY
JUDICIAL AND PUBLIC PROTECTION COMMITTEE MEETING
August 7, 2020

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

Thomas Nickel, Larry Schraufnagel *(appeared by phone),* David Guckenberger, Del Yaroch, and Ed Benter

Also Present: James Mielke-County Administrator; Brian Pfitzinger-Circuit Court Judge; Michelle Kenning-Office Manager, Clerk of Courts; Kurt Klomberg-District Attorney; Bob Barrington-District Attorney Managing Attorney; Terra Mattheis-Director of Child Support Agency; Dale Schmidt-Dodge County Sheriff; Patrick Schoebel-Medical Examiner; Gina Steinke-Br. 2 Judicial Assistant.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Del Yaroch to approve Minutes of July 10, 2020 meeting; second by Ed Benter. Motion carried.

Communications/Announcements: Jim Mielke introduced Terra Mattheis, new Director of Child Support Agency who started yesterday.

Public comment: David Guckenberger briefly explained the reason he objected to sign the Resolution at last month's meeting re: hiring Terra Mattheis for Director of Child Support Agency. He objected because he feels the policy surrounding the hiring of department heads was not followed.

Department Reports:

(permission to move up #7b on the agenda – so agreed)

Medical Examiner: *(handout provided)* Statistics provided are from January through July 31, 2020. P.J. Schoebel stated that for 2020 the numbers are up overall a bit.

District Attorney: Bob Barrington gave a brief explanation of amendment to their Trust Account budget which is used to collect and distribute victim restitution monies.

Sheriff's Office: Dale Schmidt gave brief overview of each of the 3 Resolutions before the committee. David Guckenberger commented that none of the Resolutions were included in the Agenda packets sent out.

Re: Resolution Abolish Jail Corporal Position and Create 2 New Positions of Jail Sergeant:. Motion by Ed Benter to approve, second by Del Yaroch, 4 yes, David Guckenberger abstained, Motion carried.

Re: Resolution Create Deputy Secretary Position at Sheriff's Office: Motion by Del Yaroch, second by Larry Schraufnagel, 5 yes, Motion carried.

Re: Resolution Abolish 3 Communications Officers and Create 1 Communications Sergeant: Dale Schmidt stated cost savings to County will be approximately $31,000; benefit to employees is more hours per pay period; Dale also believes it will vastly improve coverage of dispatchers and will decrease sick time and time off requests by going to 12 hour shifts. Motion by Del Yaroch to approve, second by Ed Benter, further comment by David Guckenberger that there is not a specific recommendation by Matrix re: this issue. Dale Schmidt states it was a verbal recommendation, not included in the Matrix report. Motion carried by a vote of 4-1 with David Guckenberger voting no.

Future Agenda Items: David Guckenberger states they must get all documents before these meetings, the Resolutions before the committee today were not included in Agenda packets. Jim Mielke states that it will be addressed and corrected going forward.

Next Meeting: Friday, September 4, 2020 at 8:00 a.m. at the Dodge County Administration Building, Rooms H&I.

Adjournment: Motion by Del Yaroch to adjourn meeting, second by Ed Benter. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 a.m.

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

Ed Benter, Secretary

Gina M. Steinke, Recording Secretary