

**LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES OF January 11, 2006**

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 a.m.

All members were present and visitors welcomed.

Motion by Caylor, Second by Krueger to accept minutes of the previous meeting and place on file. Carried.

Combined dispatch payments from City of Merrill: Mayor Williams said that per the agreement, the City would pay \$140,000 in installments of \$28,000 over five years. However, the contract was based on a full year and the city still is unable to share information because of the software. Committee/City agreed to have contract amended to postpone the first payment until July 1, 2006 and then each succeeding July 1 until paid in full.

Motion by Cohrs, Second by Lee to have Nancy Bergstrom amend agreement between City and County. Carried.

Lutheran Social Services Update: Earl Welker reviewed the jail alternatives report with committee. He plans to schedule a meeting with some of the main players involved in the jail alternatives program on May 12th or sooner to discuss the program. He also answered questions some members had. Sheriff Koth commended Mr. Welker, Bob Lee and Gary Zimmerman for all of their time and effort put into the program.

Reports: All reports were mailed to the committee with exception to the budget re-cap which was handed out at the meeting. As of the end of November, 2005 the Sheriff's Department is still on track for the year.

Motion by Caylor, Second by Krueger to accept report and place on file.

Coroner's Report: Mr. Haskins was not present, but did submit his report for committee review.

Motion by Bloomer, Second by Krueger to accept report and place on file. Carried.

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Award Livescan bid: Lt. Kraft said that they won't be able to tell if the system is compatible until it is installed. Vendor says it will work. No committee action was needed.

Rolling Storage procurement: Chief Soucy said quotes were advertised, but no vendors yet responded. Committee allowed this item to be turned over to HGM Architecture to locate vendor if the ad produces no results.

Jail Maintenance Update: Lt. Kraft called in Wil-Kil Pest Control to handle a bug problem in the drains of the cells. They recommended a cleaning of the drains and drain lines. Local plumbers were contacted; however, they weren't interested in the work. Stainless Specialists submitted a quote of \$4,060.00.

Motion by Caylor, Second by Krueger to authorize Jail Assessment Funds for Stainless Specialists to do the work since they were already working in the safety building remodeling project. Carried.

Communications Supervisor Update: Last month a dispatcher was let go prior to the end of her probationary period. Applications are being accepted through the 16th of this month, and expects to fill the vacancy as quickly as possible.

Lt. Handlin is working with the City of Merrill and Visionaire to bring them on line. He is expecting to be finished with this project sometime next month, pending their schedules and Computer Services making the required network changes. The servers were upgraded in November.

The Evercom inmate phone system server was upgraded last month. An encryption router was added for enhanced security on the BadgerNet line.

Computer Services installed a new switch with more ports, higher through-put and new fiber optic link.

Lt. Handlin would like to carry over \$25K from maintenance line item use in the Newcom projects and Verizon contract, and also carry over \$2,500 from the Time System to update the second teletype. Both of these line items will be added to the budget rollovers which will be on the agenda for the next meeting.

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Newcom Marc/Wisperm equipment request estimate was \$21K after installation; however we will be reimbursed 75% of the costs through another grant. Committee agreed to have Chairman sign the agreement when it's completed. Agreement was received yesterday at 4 p.m. from Brian Sladek. Agreement needs to be completed and turned in by the 18th.

Lt. Handlin would like to get the Newcom Intergovernmental Agreement for resolution to the county board next month. However, Nancy Bergstrom is still having problems with the wording in section VII. 15 of 16 counties have the same insurance carrier. If possible, he would like to get approval of this pending Nancy's approval. The next Newcom meeting is scheduled for the 24th of January.

The cut over to Pine River ESN was done with no problems.

He is continuing to update policies and procedures.

The next quarterly 9-1-1 User meeting is scheduled for January 31st prior to the Emergency Services Group meeting at the Town of Russell Fire Department.

Motion by Bloomer, Second by Caylor to accept report and place on file. Carried.

Authorization to contact Venture Architects for jail upgrade: This was recommended by the Workplace Planning Committee, which will also pay for the revised plans up to \$5000.

Motion by Krueger, Second by Bloomer to authorize Chairman to contact Venture Architects to get updated drawings of "Option E". Carried.

Video Conferencing: Will remain on agenda.

Next meeting was scheduled for February 8, 2006 at 7:30 a.m., same location.

Motion by Caylor, Second by Krueger to adjourn. Carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 a.m.