

LINCOLN COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes of December 9, 2015 7:30 a.m.
Lincoln County Safety Building,
Lower Level Conference Room
Merrill, WI 54452

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mike Loka, Bill Zeitz, Ryan Schwartzman, Robert Reichelt, Kortney Pike

DEPARTMENT HEADS PRESENT: Sheriff Jaeger, Paul Proulx

VISITORS: Chief Deputy Nate Walrath, Sarah Morris

OPEN MEETING

1. **Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order by Chief Deputy Walrath at 7:30 a.m.
 - A. **Roll call of members present.**
 - B. **Visitors Welcomed.**

2. **Election of Chair Person:** Mr. Schwartzman nominated Mr. Zeitz and Mr. Pike nominated Mr. Loka for Chair. By show of hands, Mr. Zeitz had two votes and Mr. Loka secured the election with three votes. Mr. Zeitz moved to make the vote unanimous. Motion by Mr. Loka, Second by Mr. Schwartzman. Unanimous. Motion carried.

3. **Election of Vice Chair Person:** Mr. Schwartzman nominated Mr. Zeitz. No other nominations. Mr. Loka moved to make the vote unanimous. Motion by Mr. Reichelt, Second by Mr. Pike. Unanimous. Motion carried.

4. **Approval of previous meeting minutes:** Motion by Mr. Schwartzman, Second by Mr. Zeitz to approve the minutes. Unanimous. Motion carried.

5. **Coroner's Report:** Mr. Proulx first reported on October, stating it was a busy month with twenty-six investigations and two autopsies. Since July there have been four suicides and four autopsies. He further reported that the budget will balance this year due to revenues. Mr. Proulx reported on November with one accident/death which occurred in Tomahawk on September 26th.

6. **Sheriff's Statistical Report:**
 - A. **Case Summary Report:** The committee had no questions.
 - B. **Expense Budget, Revenue Budget and Vendor List:** Mr. Zeitz stated that the budget was in good shape and the vendor list looks good. The committee had no questions.
 - C. **Recreational Officer Activity Report:** The committee had no questions. Mr. Loka commented on how well Deputy Watruba is performing and the Sheriff agreed that Deputy Watruba has consistently done a good job, and commented on his good character and morals stating that he always does the right thing even when no one is looking.
 - D. **9-1-1 Supervisor's Report:** The committee had no questions.
 - E. **Jail Census Report:** The committee had no questions.

7. **Staff Requisition:** The Sheriff advised the committee of an anticipated vacancy due to a planned retirement January 2016. He stated that we are fully staffed and so we will be ready to fill the position. Motion by Mr. Zeitz, Second by Mr. Schwartzman. Unanimous. Motion carried.

8. **"Police Under Fire" Magazine Issue - Bill Zeitz:** Mr. Zeitz handed out "The New American" magazine in which contains the article in discussion. He further requested to place this on the agenda for next month so committee members have time to review before discussing.

9. **Schedule next regular meeting:** Next regular meeting was scheduled for January 13, 2016 at 7:30 a.m., Lincoln County Safety Building, lower level conference room.

10. **Adjournment:** Motion by Mr. Schwartzman, second by Mr. Pike to adjourn. Unanimous. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 07:43 a.m.