

GRANT COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT
DISASTER SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING
GRANT COUNTY COMMUNITY SERVICES BUILDING
Lancaster, WI 53813
February 10, 2020

The Grant County Law Enforcement/Emergency Management Disaster Services Committee was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chairman Gary Ranum. The following members and personnel were present:

LAW ENFORCEMENT/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DISASTER SERVICES COMMITTEE: John Beinborn, Bob Keeney, Greg Fry and Pat Schroeder.

GUESTS: Chief Deputy Jack Johnson; Steve Braun, Emergency Management; John Patcle, Administrative Committee; Bob Scallon, Administrative Committee; Roger Guthrie, Administrative Committee; Mark Stead, Administrative Committee; Shane Drinkwater, Information Technology and Kelly Bird, Recording Secretary.

Kelly Bird verified the agenda had been posted at the County Clerk's Office, Sheriff's Office, and Courthouse and on the county website. John Beinborn second by Pat Schroeder approved the amended agenda, moving the Joint meeting with the Administrative Committee and discussion of Grant County Communications system – Tower Infrastructure to the first item to be discussed. Pat Schroeder second by Greg Fry approved the minutes from the December 9 meeting. All above motions carried.

There were no Public Forum participants present.

Employees from RACOM gave a presentation on the Tower Infrastructure for the Grant County Communications System. There were two projects presented that should both be done to get the radio system up to date and working the way it should. Phase 2 is that a new tower is needed to move/replace the equipment from the old jail site. Phase 3 is placing new towers with updated equipment throughout the county to get 95% coverage. It was the consensus of the committee members to send this on to the Full County Board.

Committee members and guests took a short recess to eat a meal prepared by Summit Foods.

At 11:30 a.m., Chairman Ranum was excused from the remainder of the meeting to attend a family funeral. Vice Chairman Beinborn conducted the remainder of the meeting.

Coroner:

Coroner Phyllis Fuerstenberg passed out the end of year financials for review. The committee was notified of the coronavirus in Platteville that is being monitored. The Coroner's van is being serviced for the check engine light being on.

Greg Fry second by Pat Schroeder made a motion to accept the Coroner's Report. Motion carried.

The Coroner's Invoices and Financials were emailed to the committee members. Bob Keeney second by Pat Schroeder made a motion to accept the Invoices and Financials. Motion carried.

Chief Deputy:

Under Chief Deputies Briefing, Operations Captain, Tony Sheckles resigned and his last day was January 31. Investigative Sergeant Rick Place was promoted to Operations Captain. Sergeant Craig Reukauf will transfer to the Investigative Sergeant Position. Detective Day has been promoted to Sergeant to fill Craig Reukauf's position. There is currently an Investigator and Deputy Position open. Pat Schroeder second by Greg Fry made a motion to fill the open positions. Motion carried.

Jail Housing Contracts have been signed with Scott County Iowa, Richland County, Iowa County, Lafayette County and Probation and Parole. Scott County will be charged \$54.00 per day along with medical expenses. The remaining counties will be charged \$50.00 a day. Seventeen inmates were housed for other counties last month.

The Courthouse Security System was damaged when struck by lightning over the summer. Three cameras are being replaced.

Greg Fry second by Pat Schroeder made a motion to accept the Chief Deputies Report. Motion carried.

Under New Facility, there are no updates to report.

There were no Training events to discuss.

Under Grants, The Dubuque Racing Association has a grant for the purchase of Watchguard In-Car Video with BodyCam in the amount of \$12,350.00 with a match of \$3,088.00. The match will be met in house by purchasing other radio equipment. Greg Fry second by Bob Keeney made a motion to accept the grant. Motion carried.

Under Maintenance, Chief Deputy Johnson has contacted Brad Bierman from Epic to finish up all warranty repairs. Pictures were sent around of a boiler repair. The repair was very unprofessional and it will be repaired again on Friday with Dubuque Plumbing and Heating there to inspect it. The Steam Kettle in the kitchen has a crack in it and may still be under warranty for repair or replacement. There is some work that needs to be done on the Lobby floors. Most of the warranties will expire June 1.

Social Services will be using a van that belongs to the Sheriff's Office. They will be invoiced for fuel and are responsible for the insurance.

Chief Deputy Jack Johnson notified the committee of two squad cars that were damaged during a high speed chase over the weekend.

The Sheriff's Office Invoices and Financials were presented. Pat Schroeder second by Greg Fry made a motion to accept the Invoices and Financials. Motions carried.

Emergency Management:

Under Emergency Management Director's Report, the 2019 Assistance to Firefighter's Grant applications are due for March. This is an online applications system that is difficult to use.

Some regional grant money will be used for distant learning equipment for Fire Departments and EMS to help lower the cost of EMT Training and make it more accessible. Portable and Mobile Radios will be purchased for Firefighters. Wildfire Rescue Equipment, an automated device that does chest compressions and costs for trainings will also be purchased with grant money.

Finalized 2019 financials will show on next month's reports.

Greg Fry second by Bob Keeney made a motion to accept the Director's Report. Motion carried.

Emergency Management's Invoices and Financials were presented. John Beinborn second by Greg Fry made a motion to approve the Financials and Invoices. Motion carried.

Greg Fry second by Pat Schroeder made a motion to adjourn until April 13, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. at the Grant County Community Services Building. Motion carried.

Committee members and guests took a tour of the new jail.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pat Schroeder, Secretary

Kelly Bird, Recording Secretary
