

GRANT COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT
DISASTER SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING
GRANT COUNTY COMMUNITY SERVICES BUILDING
Lancaster, WI 53813
April 10, 2023

The Grant County Law Enforcement/Emergency Management Disaster Services Committee Meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Adam Day. The following members and personnel were present:

LAW ENFORCEMENT/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DISASTER SERVICES COMMITTEE: Porter Wagner, John Beinborn, Brian Lucey, Gary Northouse, Joe Mumm and Bob Keeney. Brandon Snyder was removed from the committee and replaced by Joe Mumm.

GUESTS: Sheriff Nate Dreckman; Chief Deputy Travis Klaas; Steve Braun, Emergency Management Director; Coroner Phyllis Fuerstenberg; Shane Drinkwater, Information Technology; Garry Pluemer, Facilities and Maintenance Manager; The Herald Independent and Kelly Bird, Recording Secretary.

Kelly Bird verified the agenda had been posted at the County Clerk's Office, Community Services Building, courthouse and on the county website. Gary Northouse second by Porter Wagner approved the agenda. John Beinborn second by Porter Wagner approved the minutes from the March 13 meeting. All above motions carried.

There was no Public Forum to discuss.

Coroner:

Coroner Phyllis Fuerstenberg passed out the totals from last year for review. Joe Moravits along with Doug Bartow will be helping with Coroner duties while Phyllis is on vacation for three weeks this summer. Chris Johll still has some interest in Coroner duties but has not taken a call in a long time. Phyllis will speak with Chris Johll and get a definitive answer and update the committee next month.

The new Coroner vehicle is being worked on this week.

It was motioned by Porter Wagner and seconded by Gary Northouse to accept the Coroner's Report. Motion carried.

It was motioned by Bob Keeney and second by Porter Wagner to approve the Coroner's Financials and Invoices. Motion carried.

Sheriff's Briefing:

The monthly activity report was reviewed for March. Inmate population was at 62 this morning. There were 58 inmates in house. There were 48 male and 10 female. Three inmates are on the Electronic Monitoring Program and one transferred to another county for Huber Work Release. There are 18 sentenced inmates, 14 waiting to be sentenced and 11 on Probation Holds. There are currently 15 contract inmates.

Sheriff Dreckman attended the Peer Support Group Executive Meeting. Our thoughts are with the Chetek and Cameron Law Enforcement Agencies as they both lost an officer during a traffic stop.

There have been a few barking dog complaints and it has been questioned if Grant County needs a Barking Dog Ordinance. Chief Deputy Klaas does not think one is needed. There are very few complaints and it is usually the same individuals. This will be revisited if it becomes a bigger issue.

The review of the jail suicide on November 25, 2021 has been completed. The Jail Inspector closed out the review with no violations of policies or procedures and only a few recommendations.

Sheriff Dreckman shared a report that Jail Administrator Craig Reukauf put together in regards to Treatment Court saving the jail money on reduced days being served. There is not a lot of savings and the jail operates regardless of how many inmates are incarcerated. This is for information purposes only.

Chief Deputy Klaas wanted to notify the committee that a K-9 Squad was purchased from Crawford County in the amount of \$20,000.00 to replace the one that was totaled from our department last year. The vehicle was damaged in 2022 but was replaced in 2023. Per Finance and the Auditors the insurance recovery money was put in the 2022 budget. Chief Deputy Klaas just wanted to make the committee aware in case there are issues with the budget.

Under the Radio Project Update, it is continuing to move forward with the Cassville site in the process of being secured and the Potosi site is still being discussed.

Under Personnel, there is a Full-Time Female Jailer opening. A Female Jailer transferred to Dispatch. Sheriff Dreckman attended the signing of the Act 4 Bill. This will give the Jailer's the opportunity to have Protective retirement status but the cost will fall upon the employee.

There is no Training to discuss at this time.

There are no Grants to discuss at this time.

May 17, 2023 will be the Law Enforcement Memorial and all committee members are encouraged to attend.

It was motioned by John Beinborn and seconded by Porter Wagner to accept the Sheriff's Report. Motion carried.

The Sheriff's Office Invoices and Financials were presented. Gary Northouse second by John Beinborn made a motion to accept the Invoices and Financials. Motion carried.

Emergency Management:

Emergency Management Director Steve Braun presented the Director's Report. It is Severe Weather Awareness Week and sirens will be tested all week. The USDA funding for the radio system paperwork is in the process. The Mississippi River flooding may be an issue. Steve will also be helping Platteville Fire Department fill out paperwork for a grant for their new building.

The State Hazardous Materials Response Team Contract was approved at the County Board but no amount has been given yet. The amount is not expected to decrease by a significant amount. The contract was also reviewed by Corporation Counsel . It was motioned by John Beinborn and seconded

by Joe Mumm to approve the contract pending the approval of Bob Keeney after the amount is released. Motion carried.

It was motioned by Gary Northouse and seconded by John Beinborn to accept the Director's Report. Motion carried

Emergency Management's Invoices and Financials were presented. Gary Northouse second by John Beinborn made a motion to accept the Invoices and Financials. Motion carried.

It was motioned by Porter Wagner and seconded by Brian Lucey to adjourn to Monday, May 8, 2023 at 9:00am. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Beinborn, Secretary

Kelly Bird, Recording Secretary
