

PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROPERTY COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING

January 8, 2020

The Calumet County Protection of Persons & Property (PPP) Committee meeting was called to order by Chairperson Peter Stier on January 8, 2020 at 8:30 a.m.

Members Present: Supervisors Peter Stier, James Stecker, and Marilyn Schuh; Joe Mueller and Alice Connors were excused

Staff Present: Sheriff Mark Wiegert, Chief Deputy Brett Bowe, Lt. Eric Volland, Emergency Manager Bernie Sorenson, and District Attorney Nathan Haberman

Others Present: Janet Murphy

A motion was made by Schuh, seconded by Stecker, to approve the Agenda for the January 8, 2020 meeting. A motion was made by Stecker, seconded by Schuh, to approve the Minutes of the November 6, 2019 meeting. Motions carried unanimously.

Public Participation: None

Report of Committee Members: None

Communications: None

Items for Action or Discussion:

A. Sheriff:

- 1) Discussion and Possible Action on Jail Fees. A recommendation was brought forward to increase the GPS fees from \$20.00 to \$25.00. Schuh made a motion to raise GPS fees from \$20.00 to \$25.00, seconded by Stecker. Motion carried unanimously.
- 2) 2019 Jail Report. Chief Deputy Bowe indicated the average daily jail population for 2019 was 59.78. Bowe stated there has been an increase in the female population and due to lack of housing for female inmates, the female population is being housed out to other jail facilities. Bowe also indicated the jail is running into space issues with the housing of different classifications.

- 3) 2019 Dispatcher and Investigations Reports. Sheriff Wiegert indicated the monthly calls for service in 2019 was up over 2018 and the calls continue to rise. Wiegert indicated the investigations activity was down in 2019.
- 4) 2019 Patrol Report. Lt. Voland stated our presence in the Village of Harrison was implemented in 2019 with three fulltime deputies and one squad car. Voland indicated there will be no additional deputies added for the Village of Harrison in 2020 but one will be added in 2021.

Lt. Voland stated the department hired four deputies in 2019 and added two FTO deputies, bringing the total of FTO deputies to five. Voland noted we have a very young department with 75% of the deputies being with the department nine years or less. Lt. Voland stated the department is currently in the process of hiring another deputy.

Lt. Voland noted the department has conducted various in-house trainings in 2019 to include advanced roadside detection training, rescue task force training, active shooter training and shield and breach training. Lt. Voland stated the department has acquired some new equipment, and Lt. Voland showed the committee the new shield (three of which were acquired) and a set of breaching tools (10 sets were acquired, one for each squad car). With regard to the shields, the goal is to have a shield in all the squad cars.

Sheriff Wiegert indicated this year the department will finish equipping out the squad cars and will be working on getting the SWAT team up-to-date. Wiegert also indicated the department is looking to acquire a new SWAT vehicle and he will be presenting information for that at future meetings.

- 1) Update on Building Project. Sheriff Wiegert indicated the construction crew is currently working on perimeter footings and next week will be working on block walls in the basement portion. Wiegert stated the project is running about one month behind, which is normal this time of year. Wiegert also stated the law enforcement memorial and flag poles were taken down and will go back up after the project is completed.

B. Emergency Manager:

- 1) Discussion on Homeland Security Exercise Grant Awarded to Calumet County Sheriff's Office/Emergency Management. Emergency Manager

Sorenson stated he applied for and received a Homeland Security Exercise Grant for a little over \$11,000.00 to conduct exercises in 2020.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 5, 2020 at 8:30 a.m., or as needed.

The meeting was adjourned by Chairperson Stier at 9:32 a.m.

Unapproved minutes.

Calumet County Sheriff's Office
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