

Price County Law Enforcement Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: March 12, 2021 Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Courthouse County Board Room 101; 126 Cherry St; Phillips, WI 54555

Meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m. by James Hintz, Committee Chairperson. Roll Call - Present: James Hintz, Mark Kyle, Robert Kopisch (ex officio). Absent: Waldemar Madsen. Excused: Larry Palecek. Also present: Nick Trimner, Brian Schmidt, James Dalbesio, Karl Kelz.

Items for discussion and possible action:

1. Public Comment - None
 2. Communications – Bob informs the Sheriff and Committee that the Second Amendment will be on the agenda at the next Board meeting for discussion.
 3. Minutes from October 9, 2020 meeting: Motion by Mark Kyle/Robert Kopisch to approve the minutes of the October 9, 2020 as presented. Motion carried.
 4. Coroner's Report and Vouchers:

Jim Dalbesio provided Coroner Report stating December and January very busy months. Motion Robert Kopisch/Mark Kyle to approve the accounts payable for the months of October 2020 in the amount of \$995.38, November 2020 in the amount of \$903.87, December 2020 in the amount of \$372.37, January 2021 in the amount of \$267.43, and February 2021 in the amount of \$1,246.94. Motion Carried.
 5. District Attorney's Report and Vouchers
 - a. New DA Karl Kelz introduced himself to the committee. Complimentary of everyone being helpful, friendly, and excellent staffing. Considering going paperless, discussed process. Motion Mark Kyle/Robert Kopisch to approve the accounts payable for the months of October 2020 in the amount of \$1,109.08 and \$170.00, November 2020 in the amount of \$442.60 and \$435.63, December 2020 in the amount of \$639.62 and \$375.00, January 2021 in the amount of \$741.59 and \$1,652.50, and February 2021 in the amount of \$653.73 and \$150.00. Motion Carried.
 6. Clerk of Circuit Court's Report and Vouchers

Update provided by Nick Trimner. Nick provides jury trial updates with plan to accommodate 40 jurors with social distancing. In planning stages with approval to come from the 9th Circuit Court in Wausau.

Deputy Clerk of Court position – second round of interviews March 16th. Judicial Assistant interviews scheduled for March 16th.

Motion Mark Kyle/Robert Kopisch to approve the accounts payable for the months of October 2020 in the amount of \$13,344.58, November 2020 in the amount of \$7,064.47, December 2020 in the amount of \$4,730.76, January 2021 in the amount of \$4,659.49, and February 2021 in the amount of \$4,504.40. Motion Carried.
 7. Sheriff's Office Report and Vouchers
 - a. K-9 Unit – going well, updates and procedures provided by Sheriff Brian Schmidt.
 - b. Humane Officer – going well, currently collecting dog license fees through Sheriff's office. Update provided by Sheriff Brian Schmidt.

Staffing updated provided by Sheriff Brian Schmidt: Greg Wirsing retiring, Gabe Lind moving laterally into his position leaving opening for Jail Administrator. Currently facing jail staffing shortages and jail is full. Sheriff requests the Board to consider Nick's ideas for the personnel retention plan.

Motion Robert Kopisch/Mark Kyle to approve the accounts payable in the months of October 2020 in the amount of \$ 39,500.57 and \$150.64, November 2020 in the amount of \$35,138.10 and \$68.10, December 2020 in the amount of \$30,162.20 and \$181.08, January 2021 in the amount of \$57,227.86 and \$10,843.93, and February 2021 in the amount of \$36,734.45 and \$368.86. Motion Carried.
 8. Date of Next Meeting – Pending per James Hintz
 9. Adjourn at 9:44am
- Respectfully submitted: Erica Bockerstette, Deputy County Clerk