

CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE



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MEMBERS

Terry Collins, John Lapham, Karol "KZ" Bolton

MEETING LOCATION

Committee Room, 2nd Floor
Old Courthouse, 301 N. Main Street, Adrian, MI

MINUTES: Thursday, September 5, 2019 – 10:00 a.m.

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Present: Commissioners Collins, Bolton, Lapham, and Stimpson

Also Present: Commissioner Wittenbach, Burke Castleberry, Sheriff Bevier, Craig Tanis, Martin Marshall, Rebecca Borton, Dawn VanDusen, and Dr. Bader Cassin

I. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Lapham, seconded by Bolton, to approve the minutes of the August 1, 2019 meeting. Motion carried.

II. Finance Reports

Administrator Marshall reviewed the finance report.

III. Emergency Management report

The Emergency Management Report was available. Craig Tanis added that testing of the 800 Mhz system continues. He also talked about the upcoming exercise on September 13th; noting that winter between Maple and Hunt will be closed, the judicial building will close at 11:00 a.m., and the training exercise event will be well-advertised.

IV. Sheriff's report

The Sheriff's report was available. Sheriff Bevier provided highlights of recruitment and personnel status; a tuition reimbursement; the MILO Range simulator (training, interactive testing, and assessment through real-life scenario-based exercises); and the county-wide electronic ticketing and CLEMIS system.

Tuition Reimbursement:

Motion by Lapham, seconded by Bolton, to approve the tuition reimbursement request according to the Tuition Reimbursement Policy. Motion carried.

MILO Range System:

Motion by Bolton, seconded by Lapham, to approve \$26,985 for the purchase of the MILO training system; \$13,492.50 MMRMA grant reimbursement. Motion carried.

The jail population reports for August were available; there have been no early releases in 2019.

V. Prosecuting Attorney's report

The Prosecuting Attorney's reports for July and August were available. Prosecuting Attorney Castleberry reported that not only has his department realized additional

workload, it is also the busy time of year. He expects to share a strategic plan with the Commissioners next week.

VI. Public Defender's report

The Public Defender's report was distributed and Dawn VanDusen added that the 2020 grant has been approved, volume of cases continues to rise as well.

There was discussion regarding the appointment of the Public Defenders for civil cases. Burke noted when a representative of the Prosecuting Attorney Office needs to be present as well. Further discussion with the court will be held to discuss situations when appointed counsel is necessary.

VII. Medical Examiner report

The Medical Examiner's report was available; Dr. Cassin noted that deaths remain higher than the average while autopsies are down.

There was discussion regarding autopsy facilities throughout Michigan; which consolidation efforts are being made throughout the state. The Jackson County facility continues to be a viable option for Lenawee. Many factors have been thoroughly reviewed with distance appearing to be the biggest issue at this time.

VIII. Courts

The Criminal Justice Committee believes that having a court representative in attendance would add value to both administrative and budgetary discussions.

IX. Other Business

There was no other business.

X. Adjournment

Motion by Lapham, seconded by Bolton, to adjourn the meeting at 10:41 a.m. Motion carried.