



## MEETING MINUTES

**Committee:** Public Safety Committee  
**Date:** Monday, March 13, 2023  
**Time:** 8:00 AM  
**Location:** Wolf River Room, Resource Center

The following discussion was held by the Committee at the meeting detailed above:

1. Meeting called to order at 8:03 AM by Chairman W. Wagner:
2. The Committee recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Silence Cell Phones.
4. Roll call was conducted.

Public Safety Committee		
Name	Role	Status
Warren Wagner	Chairman	Present
Reinhardt Balcerzak	Vice-Chair	Present
Joel Wagner	Member	Present
Vacant	Member	Absent
Brian Zaverousky	Member	Present
Non- Committee Members Present		
Name	Interest	
Dan Bauknecht	Chief Deputy	
Travis Kruger	Emergency Management	
Robin Stowe	Corporation Counsel	
Becky Rank	Deputy County Clerk/ Recording Secretary	

5. **Approve previous meeting minutes of January 9, 2023:** Motion by Balcerzak, second by Zaverousky to approve the previous meeting minutes of January 9, 2023. All ayes, motion carried.
6. **Public comment on agenda items and consideration of requests for items to be added to future meeting agendas:** Supervisor J. Wagner requests on the next agenda to discuss the new Law (Ethan, Haile and Bentley's Law) passed by Tennessee Senate that requires drunk drivers found guilty of vehicular homicide to pay child support to the children of the victim(s).
7. **District Attorney's Report:** Written report submitted and reviewed by Committee.
8. **Update from Victim Witness Coordinator:** Written report submitted and reviewed by Committee.
9. **Coroner's Report:** Written report submitted and reviewed by Committee.
10. **Child Support Report: Written report submitted and reviewed by Committee.** Corporation Counsel Stowe stated Langlade County has a large case load in comparison to other similar counties. Stowe stated a contracted service is being used for children financials. The goal is to have one staff member trained on the financials by the end of the 2023 year. Stowe reminded the Committee historically the Child Support Department had an additional worker, this is still under review. Report is on file. Information only.
11. **Corporation Counsel Report:** Stowe gave the Committee an oral report on activities within the Corporation Counsel Office. Stowe stated he attended the Opioid Summit discussing how the Opioid Litigation Settlement funds can be used within the County. Stowe updated the Committee on NCHC.

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Stowe stated Vicki Tylka, NCHC Managing Director of Community Programs is working on staffing needs for the Antigo location. Stowe reported on the Sober Living Facility (Hope House), stating long term options are being reviewed. Stowe updated the Committee on the collaboration work being done with the District Attorney's office regarding contracts and staff shortages. Stowe stated ADA Scott Niemi has accepted the ADA position and will start March 27, 2023. Niemi has 16 years ADA experience. Information only.

- 12. Emergency Management Report:** Emergency Management Director Krueger presented the Committee with a written report. Committee reviewed the report. Krueger stated he has attended weekly informational meetings with WEM, municipal meetings and has done various on-line trainings. Krueger and three Langlade County Deputies attended a Regional Haz-Mat training on January 31<sup>st</sup> in Oneida County. Krueger stated the Haz-Mat training was a table top exercise on an anhydrous ammonia tanker roll over. Report is on file. Information only.
- 13. Sheriff/Jail Office/Nurse Report:** Committee received a written Langlade County Public Safety Corrections Report in their packet. Chief Deputy Bauknecht stated the Jail numbers for the month of February averaged around 74. Bauknecht stated this number is constantly moving. Chairman W. Wagner stated at the March Personnel Committee Meeting it was approved to add 3 additional Dispatch positions, making the total number of 12 approved Dispatch positions. Bauknecht stated there have been 2 recent resignations in Dispatch, that leaves only 4 fully trained dispatchers and 1 in training. Discussion held on the recently approved recruitment incentives for dispatch workers. Bauknecht stated there have been 2 vacancies in corrections, 1 resignation and 1 retirement. Chairman W. Wagner would like a tour of the Dispatch Center after the next Public Safety Committee Meeting. Report is on file. Information only.
- 14. Update on Simulcast/Towers/Broadband.** Bauknecht stated the winter weather is slowing things down, but they are still on schedule. Information only.
- 15. Update on staff changes for Dispatch, Jailers and Officers:** See item #13
- 16. Review Monthly & Year End Departmental Budgets presented to the Committee.** Committee reviewed the Departmental Budgets. Committee had no questions or concerns. Information only.
- 17. Update or Report on Public Safety Activities from County Administrator:** No report.
- 18. Next meeting date:** TBD
- 19. Adjourn the meeting:** Motion by J. Wagner, second by Zaverousky to adjourn the Public Safety Committee meeting at 8:44 a.m. all ayes, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by:

Becky Rank, Deputy County Clerk, Recording Secretary