

COMMITTEE REPORT

COMMITTEE: Law Enforcement & Courts
CHAIRPERSON: RJ Winkelhake, Chair
DATE/TIME: May 18, 2015 @ 5:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

Brandon Behlke
 Ron Smith
 RJ Winkelhake

Gerald Bennett
 Terry Stoffregen

Bill Bingham
arrived at 5:02 p.m.
 Don Zillig

A quorum was established.

Other Board Members:

Others: Samantha Perez from River Ridge High School, Dan Reimer and Kevin Turner

1. **Terry Stoffregen made a motion to approve the April 20, 2015 Law Enforcement and Courts committee meeting minutes, seconded by Ron Smith and motion passed.**
2. **Citizens' Comments**
3. **Unfinished Business**
 - a) **FY2014/FY2015 Strategic Goals & Plans** – RJ Winkelhake discussed that committee goals and plans will be reviewed after the County Board retreat in June.
 - b) **Law & Courts Committee assignments from 2013 County Board Retreat** – Winkelhake discussed that the Committee will have one more meeting before the County Board retreat and asked the Committee to be thinking of possible items to prepare for the 2015 retreat.
 - c) **Update on five year capital improvement plan** – Nothing new at this time.
 - d) **Recommendations to fund the Public Safety Radio Communications System Project** –Bill Bingham discussed possible funding options that have previously been reviewed or considered. These options include grants, consolidation with other counties, fair share distribution of communication costs by system users, enhanced recovery of outstanding traffic tickets and other fines, establishment of a not-for-profit endowment, a public safety tax. A fair share system is being discussed for agencies that are provided with dispatcher services. The Consolidation consultant has been consulted.
 - e) **Update on proposed 911 dispatch center consolidation feasibility study** –No updates at this time.
 - f) **Discussion and possible action on a paid parking program for Jo Daviess County Courthouse parking lots** – Brandon Behlke recommended that the County hold off on moving forward with investing in implementing paid parking until less expensive options are found or to remove from further consideration. Behlke's research to-date indicates an initial cost of \$2000. At a parking rate of \$5.00/per car/per day on weekends, the cost is difficult to justify at this time. Per RJ Winkelhake the decision is to remove this item from the agenda and no further consideration at this time.
 - g) **Update on judicial system payment process** – Winkelhake reported that Sharon Wand will discuss at the next meeting. Ron Smith read from SB 86, released May 18, 2015, which allows State's Attorney to retain attorneys and private collection

agencies to collect fines for the County. The Legislative Committee must consider this SB.

4. New Business

- a) **Discussion and possible action to award a contract to Willman Construction in the amount of \$127,050 for the Jo Daviess County Courthouse Masonry Restoration and Window Replacement Project 1900 Addition.** – Jeff Brown from ShiveHattery joined the meeting via conference call. Brown discussed the bids received for the Courthouse Masonry Restoration and Window Replacement Project. Brown’s written recommendation is to accept the bid from Willman Construction, Davenport Iowa, including both options and the alternate bid. The bid from Willman for Option A, Masonry Restoration was \$44,500; Option B Window Replacement was \$68,850, for a combined bid of \$113,350. Alternate bid for basement windows was \$13,700. The total bid amount is \$127,050 which is within the amount budgeted for this project. ShiveHattery’s recommendation is to accept all three bid proposals from Willman Construction. **Brandon Behlke made a motion to award a contract to Willman Construction in the amount of \$127,050 which includes Bid Option A Masonry Restoration and Bid Option B Window Replacement and Alternate Bid No. 1 Basement Windows for the Jo Daviess County Masonry Restoration and Window Replacement Project 1900 Addition. Seconded by Bill Bingham and motion passed.**
- b) **Discussion and possible action on a Resolution for Participation in the US Department of Defense/State of Illinois LESO Program.** **Bill Bingham made a motion to approve a Resolution for Participation in the US Department of Defense/State of Illinois LESO Program. Seconded by Terry Stoffregen and motion passed.**
- c) **Discussion and possible action on Mutual Aid Agreement Multi-Jurisdictional Task Force Interagency Agreement** –Sheriff Turner provided an explanation of the agreement. This agreement must be in place if to participate in SLANT. Jo Daviess County would assign a full-time employee to participate when needed in the task force. We have option of calling employee back if needed and we can pull out of task force if necessary. Jo Daviess County would share in any seizures made by task force. **Bill Bingham made a motion to approve a Mutual Aid Agreement Multi-Jurisdictional Task Force Interagency Agreement. Seconded by Brandon Behlke and motion passed.**
- d) **Discussion and possible action on Camera Recording Equipment** – Turner reported on state of current camera recording equipment which is starting to be problematic. RFPs will be sought and funding will be identified. Item will be back on the agenda for June.

5. Staff Reports

- a) **Sheriff’s Report** – Sheriff Turner informed committee of a drug arrest last week and an officer who is out with a health issue.
- b) **Circuit Clerk’s Office**
- c) **Probation**
- d) **Public Defender**
- e) **Other**

6. Citizens' Comments

7. Board Member Concerns

The next Law & Courts committee meeting will be Monday, June 15, at 5:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m. following a motion by Bill Bingham and a second by Brandon Behlke.