

## COMMITTEE REPORT

**COMMITTEE:** Law Enforcement & Courts  
**CHAIRPERSON:** RJ Winkelhake  
**DATE/TIME:** July 21, 2014 @ 6:00 p.m.

**PRESENT:**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brandon Behlke	<input type="checkbox"/> Gerald Bennett	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Don Zillig
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ron Smith	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Terry Stoffregen	
<input type="checkbox"/> RJ Winkelhake	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bill Bingham	

Other Board Members:

Others: Dan Reimer, Kevin Turner, and Melosa Belger

**1. Don Zillig made a motion to approve the June 16, 2014 committee meeting minutes seconded by Brandon Behlke and motion passed. Terry Stoffregen made a motion to approve the July 8, 2014 Special Committee meeting minutes seconded by Ron Smith and motion passed.**

**2. Citizens' Comments**

**Brandon Behlke made a motion to move item 3H and 4B to the top of the agenda. Seconded by Don Zillig and motion passed.**

Update on safety issues associated with bicycle events in Jo Daviess County - Report by Terry Stoffregen and Craig Ketelsen - Sheriff Turner reviewed a letter prepared by Chief Deputy Ketelsen and Terry Stoffregen in regards to Triple XXX Race that was held in June in Jo Daviess County. Bill Bingham reported that he was working on the Galena Ambulance the day of the race and discussed his concerns with the amount of incidents that occurred during the race. Bingham discussed it should be made clear that better communication is needed prior to the event so that public safety concerns can be addressed. Sheriff Turner will send the letter to Mr. Amstutz and work with XXX Racing on public safety for any future events.

Discussion and possible action on the 2014 Galena Lead Rush Half Marathon - Presentation by Melosa Belger, Event Coordinator for the Galena/Jo Daviess County CVB - Belger reviewed a map and built points of the race overview.

- Scheduled for November 1, 2014
- Starts at 9 a.m/finish by 3 p.m.
- 13.1 mile run
- Goal of 500 participants
- Starts and finishes at Chestnut Mountain Resort
- Three/Four Sheriff's Deputies manning the course
- Hanover Emergency Services stationed on course
- USA Track and Field sanctioned
- Eight aid stations located along the course

- Work with JDC Highway Department for detour from Blackjack Road at Irish Hollow Road to W. Saw Mill Road for through traffic

**Brandon Behlke made a motion to approve the 2014 Galena Lead Rush Half Marathon. Seconded by Don Zillig and motion passed.**

### 3. Unfinished Business

- FY2013 Strategic Goals & Plans** – The committee reviewed their list of strategic Goals and Plans. Sheriff Turner discussed that the goal of Courthouse Exterior Life Safety Repairs was currently being worked on. Sheriff Turner reviewed design drawings that he received from Shive Hattery for sidewalk repairs and guard rails. Turner discussed that an additional safety issue associated with the main parking lot railing needs to be addressed and was added to the design drawings. The committee reviewed a possible timeline and having 2 options for bids to complete the project. **Don Zillig made a motion to direct Sheriff Turner to move forward with design bid drawings from Shive Hattery regarding Courthouse sidewalk and guardrail improvements and have questions answered and post notice. Seconded by Brandon Behlke and motion passed.**
- Law & Courts Committee assignments from 2013 County Board Retreat** – Nothing new at this time.
- Update on five year capital improvement plan** – Nothing at this time.
- Recommendations to fund the Public Safety Radio Communications System Project** - The committee discussed the Emergency Communications Project and different possibilities for a revenue stream to help fund the project. Brandon Behlke discussed that the City of Galena charges a fee for public parking in certain city owned parking lots. Behlke discussed that this could be a revenue source option for the County if a fee is charged for parking at night and during the weekend in the Courthouse parking lots. Behlke will research with the City of Galena and bring information back to the committee.
- Update on Courthouse exterior repairs/improvements** – See above.
- Update on appointment of an EMA Director** – Ron Smith report that Charles Pedersen has been appointed as the new Jo Daviess County EMA Director.
- Update on proposed 911 dispatch center consolidation feasibility study** - Bingham reported that there was a meeting with the consultant last week and they are looking at the compatibility of equipment and operations.
- Update on safety issues associated with bicycle events in Jo Daviess County - Report by Terry Stoffregen and Chief Deputy Ketelsen** - See above.

### 4. New Business

- Discussion and possible action regarding a purchase and license agreement with Spillman Technologies, Inc to purchase from Spillman licenses for certain Spillman software, professional services, maintenance services and third party hardware, software and services** – Sheriff Turner has been working with Assistant State's Attorney Gilbert and Dan Reimer in drafting an agreement with Spillman Technologies, Inc. Turner gave a summary of the software product and the purchase and license agreement with Spillman Technologies, Inc. The committee discussed that there needed to be continued research on the financing and the options that are available. Turner discussed that

if the agreement was signed by the end of July that there would be a signing bonus of \$8,000.

- b) **Discussion and possible action on the 2014 Galena Lead Rush Half Marathon - Presentation by Melosa Belger** – See above.

**5. Staff Reports**

- a) **Sheriff's Office** - Sheriff Turner reported that he did hire Nathan Furlong as a new employee and that they did recently have 15 individuals test for deputies, communications and corrections officers and that the testing is good for two years.
- b) **Circuit Clerk's Office**
- c) **Probation**
- d) **Public Defender**
- e) **Other**

**6. Citizens' Comments**

- 7. **Board Member Concerns** - Don Zillig discussed that at the Legislative Committee meeting with Senator Tim Bivins 911 revenue issues were discussed. Zillig discussed that the possibility of looking into increasing the hotel/motel tax and having a portion allocated for 911 purposes.

- 8. Meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m. following a motion by Brandon Behlke and a second by Don Zillig.