

COMMITTEE REPORT

COMMITTEE: Law Enforcement & Courts
CHAIRPERSON: Dane Jackson
DATE/TIME: October 20 2008, 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bill Cooper	<input type="checkbox"/> Marvin Schultz	<input type="checkbox"/> Jack Zillig
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bernece Hill	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Terry Stoffregen	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dane Jackson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sally Toepfer	

Other Board Members:

Others: Dan Reimer, Leo Hefel, Colin Fulrath

Dane Jackson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

1. **Minutes** - Bill Cooper made a motion to approve the minutes of September 15, 2008 and September 30, 2008 as presented. Terry Stoffregen seconded and the motion passed

2. **Citizens' Comments** – none

3. **Unfinished Business**

a) **Capacity and Evacuation Plan.** Dane discussed a possible evacuation plan of placing a sign at the door stating to hit the fire alarm which will then release the locks on the door for evacuation. The capacity issues of 42 people in the County Board room was discussed and that if there are larger anticipated gatherings or meetings than they will be held in the large courtroom. It was discussed to have the County Chairperson to announce this plan at the beginning of each Board meeting. The Sheriff's Department will draft a proposal on the capacity and evacuation plan to present to the County Board and add to the established Jo Daviess County Emergency Evacuation Plan.

b) **Courthouse Security.** Terry Stoffregen asked if there was any feedback from the public about the advanced security and the metal detector that was used during the trial Sheriff Hefel reported that people were very cooperative and at ease with having the security. Sheriff reported that we do own this portable unit and can be used at any meeting. It was reported that to have this security station as a full time entity that we would have to have two full-time additional security officers.

c) **State Elevator Inspection Report.** Colin Fulrath reported that to be compliant that all items on the inspection report must be completed by 2013. There was a proposal on the high pressure line, signage, and the code data plate in the amount of \$988. This does not cover all of the items on the inspection report but it was recommended that the hydraulic hose should be replaced with the next budget. Colin is going to contact Schumacher Elevator Company to see if they will hold the price of the bid until the next budget year.

- d) **New Squad Car Purchase.** Colin Fulrath reported that they were going to hold off on the purchase of a new squad car until the FY09 budget because bids came in over the amount that was remaining in the FY08 budget.
- e) **Courthouse Re-roofing Project Phase II.** Dane Jackson reported that he talked to Al Urbian and that Tricon is anticipating starting the first week in November provided that all the paper work is in order and signed.
- f) **Strategic Plan 2008 Goals.** Assessed the items on the strategic plan and discussed the individual items. Additional items placed onto the strategic plan due to the approval of unfunded activities were; re-roofing the carport behind the public safety building and enclosing a stall, carpet for the stairway and upstairs lobby in the public safety building and a digital copier for the Sheriff's Department.

4. **New Business** – none

5. **Staff Reports** - none

6. **Board Member Concerns.** Dane reported that Merri Berlage would like to have the County Emergency Plan and the content revisited. Dane voiced a concern that the meetings are lasting too long and the discussions are not staying on task.

Next regular meeting: November 17, 2008. 7:00 pm

Meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m. following a motion by Cooper and seconded by Stoffregen.