

COMMITTEE REPORT

COMMITTEE: Law & Courts
CHAIRPERSON: Dane Jackson
DATE/TIME: July 18, 2005. 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

Berlage
 Cooper

Jackson
 Petitgout

Stoffregen
 Zillig

Other Board Members:
Others: Sheriff Steve Allendorf

MINUTES

1. Minutes

- a) Tim Petitgout made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 20, 2005 committee meeting. Terry Stoffregen seconded and the motion passed.
- b) Stoffregen made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 12, 2005 committee meeting. Petitgout seconded and the motion passed.

2. Citizens' Comments – none

3. Old Business

- a) Roof problem. Dane Jackson spoke with Terry Kurt following the County Board meeting and Kurt said that he spoke with the insurance company for the roofer and they might be able to handle it but they need some dates for specific events. Kurt is going to check with the Chief Deputy and will gather that information. Renaissance is willing to come and do the work and the Sheriff will follow up. Jack Zillig made a motion that a meeting be scheduled with Renaissance to resolve the problem with the roof on the Public Safety Building. Petitgout seconded and the motion passed.
- b) Discussion of maintenance person. There were some generic job descriptions included in the meeting packet. Jackson spoke with the County Administrator and he suggested determining what budgets would be contributing toward the maintenance person's cost, if it is split between departments. A job description needs to be developed. The committee discussed some of the maintenance needs. The Sheriff suggested submitting it as an unfunded item in the Courthouse budget. Jackson will make an appointment to talk with the County Administrator about the subject.
- c) Parking lot lighting. The Sheriff stated that the equipment has not arrived yet.
- d) Squad car purchase. The Sheriff reported that the dealership was sold out of cars when they called to make the purchase that was approved at the July County Board meeting. They said within 60 days they should have prices for 2006 vehicles. The Sheriff's Office checked with some other dealerships and is still working on obtaining the car from another source.

4. New Business – none

5. Staff Reports

- a) The Sheriff stated that the air condensers are supposed to be installed by July 29.

Jackson asked if there was any money recovered by the company that was working on the phone bills. The Sheriff will check into the status of that project.

6. Board Member Concerns

Merri Berlage stated that she feels that the court process could be improved greatly.

Sheriff Allendorf reported that the Sheriff's Office has begun their random drug testing. Seven officers were tested.

Jackson asked if a letter had been written to IDOT about a sign for the courthouse and Berlage stated that she will write the letter. The committee discussed if the cost of the courthouse sign was included in the budget and discussed who was offered to bid on the project. Jackson is concerned that there are other maintenance issues that the money could be better spent on. The consensus of the committee is that other problems are more critical at this time.

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m. following a motion by Jack Zillig and seconded by Tim Petitgout.