

COMMITTEE REPORT

COMMITTEE: Law Enforcement & Courts
CHAIRPERSON: Dane Jackson
DATE/TIME: April 18, 2011 @ 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bill Cooper	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Marvin Schultz	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Don Zillig
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bernece Hill	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Terry Stoffregen	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dane Jackson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gerald Bennett	

Other Board Members: Ron Smith

Others: Sheriff Kevin Turner, Dave Hachmeister, Dan Reimer, Colin Fulrath and Mike Moser.

Dane Jackson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and read the third floor evacuation policy.

1. **Minutes** – Bill Cooper made a motion to approve the minutes of March 21, 2011 and April 06, 2011. Seconded by Don Zillig and motion passed.
2. **Citizens' Comments** – EMA Coordinator Colin Fulrath reported that Jo Daviess County received a grant from ILEAS (Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System) in the amount not exceeding \$37,665.00. The stipulation is that this can only be used for certain types of radio communication equipment such as base stations. **The consensus of the Committee was to move forward a Jo Daviess County Grant Agreement with Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System (ILEAS) with the amount not exceeding \$37,655.00 grant funds from Department of Homeland Security (DHS). This item will be listed as not a committee recommendation, not an agenda item.** Marvin Schultz commented that after talking to EMA (Emergency Management Agency) it was his understanding that even if they get money for this project that for next year's grant the County can apply again for the same project.
3. **Unfinished Business**
 - a) **FY2011 Strategic Goals & Plans.** Dane Jackson reviewed the committee's strategic goals. There were no changes at this time.
 - b) **Discussion and possible action regarding leasing tower space on JDC owned communications towers.** Sheriff Turner reported that the policy was reviewed by State Attorney Terry Kurt and Kurt was ok with the document. The committee discussed the issue of the renegotiation of the contract and if they wanted to place an amount of years for the review and renewal of the contract. **Bill Cooper made a motion to add to the policy language the following; a renewable contract to be reviewed in 5 to 10 years for monetary and other terms and conditions. Seconded by Terry Stoffregen and motion passed. Bill Cooper made a motion to forward to the County Board the policy for leasing tower space on Jo Daviess County owned communication towers and structures. Seconded by Don Zillig and motion passed.**
 - c) **Discussion and possible action regarding establishing a fee to be charged if a scheduled Sheriff's Sale is canceled or continued.** Sheriff Turner reported that

he has not heard back from State's Attorney Kurt regarding this issue. This item will remain on the agenda for next month.

- d) **Progress report on radiant heaters in large courtroom.** This item will remain on the agenda for next month.
- e) **Update on the Great Galena Stage Bicycle Race.** Sheriff Turner reported that he has been in contact with Ed from xXx racing and they have been contacting EMS, Townships and the Galena Territory Property Owners Association. It was asked if Jo Daviess County would pick up any of the costs for security of directing traffic and Sheriff Turner informed him that this is not feasible considering the County's budget.
- f) **Progress report on JDC Natural Hazard Mitigation Planning.** Colin Fulrath reported that he has not heard anything at this time and he will forward any correspondence that he does receive on to the committee.
- g) **Discussion and possible action on failure to appear warrants.** Sheriff Turner reported that he met with Dan Reimer and they reviewed a draft resolution to deposit and expend revenue associated with failure to appear warrant fees from the Jo Daviess County Emergency Services Communications Fund and the Capital Equipment Replacement Fund. The resolution states that the first \$7,000 received each year from Failure to Appear Warrant Fees will be deposited in the Jo Daviess County Emergency Service Communications Fund and designated for the purpose of reducing County obligations associated with the Jo Daviess Radio Communications Systems Upgrade Project. **Gerald Bennett made a motion to move forward a resolution to deposit and expend revenues associated with Failure to Appear Warrant Fees from the JDC Emergency Services Communications Fund and the Capital Equipment Replacement Fund. Seconded by Bernece Hill and motion passed.**
- h) **Progress report on Public Safety Building/Courthouse HVAC Systems project.** Dan Reimer distributed and reviewed the timeline for the HVAC project. A pre construction meeting with the engineers, contractors and county personnel is scheduled for Monday, April 25th. Sheriff Turner stated that Tom Leitzinger, Public Safety Building Custodian will be assigned as the individual that the contractors will be working with on day to day issues. All technical questions will go to the Engineers. Terry Stoffregen will be the committee contact person assigned to the project.

4. New Business

- a) **Discussion and possible action on an addendum to the professional service agreement with Ira Wiesenfeld & Associates for Phase II & Phase III of the Radio communication Systems Upgrade Project.** Dan Reimer presented the request document that was given to Ira Wiesenfeld & Associates after the last meeting to submit a proposal by April 12th to provide professional services for Phase II and III of the Radio communication Systems Upgrade The committee reviewed the proposal as it was broken into Phase 2, Phase 3 and emergency operation site and the costs for each portion. **Don Zillig made a motion to move forward with review of Sheriff Turner, Sgt Moser and EMA Director Fulrath the proposal for an addendum to the professional service agreement with Ira Wiesenfeld & Associates for Phase II and Phase III of the Radio**

Communication systems Upgrade Project. Seconded by Gerald Bennett and motion passed.

- b) **Discussion and possible action on Executive Committee assignments associated with the County Board Retreat.** The committee reviewed the recommendations that were assigned to the Law & Courts committee from the County Board retreat. This will be an ongoing issue that the committee will continue to review.
- c) **Discussion and possible action on squad car bids for the Jo Daviess County Sheriff's Department.** Sheriff Turner reviewed the bids for the purchase of two vehicles. There was a bid from Green Chevrolet of Jacksonville, IL who currently has the state bid for the Chevy Impala police package vehicle. There was also a bid from Barkau Automotive, Stockton, IL for two 2011 Dodge Charger Police Package Squad vehicles. The Barkau Automotive bid had a larger trade allowance which made them the low bidder at a total purchase price of \$39,434.00. **Dane Jackson made a motion to move forward and approve the award of bid for two new 2011 Dodge Charger Police Package Squad vehicles from Barkau Automotive of Stockton, IL at a cost of \$22,467.00 per vehicle less the trade in allowance for a 2004 Chevy Impala in the amount of \$2,000 and a 2007 Chevy Impala with a trade in allowance of \$3,500 for a net purchase price of \$39,434.00 to be paid from Sheriff's Vehicle Fund. Seconded by Bill Cooper and motion passed.** Marvin Schultz informed the committee that he heard that on a rear wheel drive vehicle that there is a tire made by Bridgestone that is made for the snow and makes a large difference on traction. He will get the information on this type of tire and forward it to Sheriff Turner.

5. Staff Reports

- a) **Sheriff's Report –None**
- b) **Circuit Clerk –** Bill Cooper discussed the staff report that was submitted by Sharon Wand included an annual report from the Juvenile Justice Council. The total amount of revenue was \$12,011.00 and the expenses were \$4,825.23. Cooper asked if these funds need to be reported to the full County Board. Marvin Schultz said that he would research to see if the Juvenile Justice Council fund would fall under the responsibility of the County Board.
- c) **Probation – None**
- d) **Public Defender – None**
- e) **Other - None**

Board Member Concerns- Marvin Schultz discussed that he has some concerns with the communication towers that Jo Daviess County is currently using but may not own. Mike Moser discussed that the preliminary cost estimate to lease space on the US Cellular tower in Pleasant Valley is \$500 per month. Moser also talked to the local energy company to see what the cost would be to have a 70 foot pole placed in a right away and use that instead of paying the reoccurring monthly charges for tower space. He is awaiting an answer from the energy company.

Ron Smith informed the committee that he will be going to Washington DC on April 30th and that if the committee had issues that they would like him to talk to legislative representatives about to let him know.

Dan Reimer supplied the committee with a timeline on the Radio Communication Upgrade Project. He noted that the Finance, Tax and Budget Committee will be meeting on April 28th and they will be discussing the financing options for this project and recommended that if any of the committee members could attend that it would be beneficial.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m. following a motion by Bill Cooper and seconded by Marvin Schultz.