

COMMITTEE REPORT

COMMITTEE: Law Enforcement & Courts
CHAIRPERSON: RJ Winkelhake
DATE/TIME: August 18, 2014 @ 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

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

Other Board Members:

Others: Dan Reimer and Kevin Turner.

1. **Don Zillig made a motion to approve the July 21, 2014 committee meeting minutes seconded by Bill Bingham and motion passed.**
2. **Citizens' Comments**
3. **Unfinished Business**
 - a) **FY2013 Strategic Goals & Plans** – Nothing new at this time.
 - b) **Law & Courts Committee assignments from 2013 County Board Retreat** – Nothing new at this time.
 - c) **Update on five year capital improvement plan** – Nothing at this time.
 - d) **Recommendations to fund the Public Safety Radio Communications System Project** - RJ Winkelhake discussed the FY2015 ETSB/911 Emergency Services budget which was moved forward by the ETSB Board and will be presented at the joint committee budget review meeting on August 27th. The budget plan includes a reduction in interfund transfers and a proposed change in the designation of part of the interfund transfer to the General Fund. The proposal would eliminate funding for a portion of communication officer's salaries; instead \$117,200 would be designated for the annual debt service payment for the public safety radio communication system project. The ETSB has asked the States Attorney's office for a legal opinion if statute would allow ETSB funds to be used for this purpose.
 - e) **Update on proposed 911 dispatch center consolidation feasibility study** - Sheriff Turner reported a meeting will be scheduled to review the findings of the feasibility study.
 - f) **Update on CAD/RMS/JMS Software Project (Agreement with Spillman Technologies)** - RJ Winkelhake discussed that this agreement has been approved and is moving forward.
 - g) **Update on Courthouse Sidewalk & Drainage Project** - Sheriff Turner discussed that a mandatory pre-bid conference meeting is scheduled for August 20, 2014 at 10:00 am. Bids are due September 2, 2014 at 10:00 am for the Courthouse Sidewalk, Drainage and Railing Improvement Project.
4. **New Business**
 - a) **Discussion and possible action regarding an amendment to the By-Laws of the Emergency Telephone System Board Section 1. Article III Members and Officers** - The committee reviewed the proposed amendments. **Gerald Bennett made a motion to approve an amendment to the by-laws of the Emergency**

Telephone System Board Section 1. Article III member and officers. Seconded by Brandon Behlke and motion passed.

- b) Discussion and possible action regarding the establishment of a paid parking program for Jo Daviess County Courthouse parking lots -** Brandon Behlke reviewed information that he received from the City of Galena regarding the paid parking program at City Hall. Sheriff Turner will check into the cost of restriping the parking lot and contact States Attorney Hay regarding any legalities or liability associated with implementing a paid parking program for Jo Daviess County Courthouse parking lots. Brandon Behlke and Bill Bingham will do a weekly weekend count of vehicles parking in the Bench Street Courthouse parking lot and bring the research back to the committee.
- c) Discussion and possible action regarding FY2015 professional services jail nurse agreement with Heather Ward -** Sheriff Turner discussed the current jail nurse agreement with Heather Ward and requested that the amount of the agreement be increased \$2,000. **Brandon Behlke made a motion to move forward to the Finance, Tax and Budgets Committee a request to increase the Sheriff's budget \$2,000, professional service line item 001-41122-702 as a necessary expense for the professional services jail nurse agreement. Seconded by Don Zillig and motion passed.**

5. Staff Reports

- a) Sheriff's Report**
- b) Circuit Clerk's Office**
- c) Probation**
- d) Public Defender**
- e) Other**

6. Citizens' Comments

- 7. Board Member Concerns -** Ron Smith gave an overview of the news conference at Thomson Prison with Dick Durbin and Cheri Bustro that was held on August 18, 2014.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m. following a motion by Terry Stoffregen and a second by Don Zillig.