

LIVINGSTON COUNTY BOARD
SHERIFF, JAIL & LICENSE COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MARCH 3, 2015

The Committee toured the jail beginning at 5:00 p.m..

Committee Chair John Yoder called the meeting to order at 5:26 p.m. in the basement of the Livingston County Public Safety Complex.

Present: Yoder, Peterson, Allen, Heath, Kestner, Mays, Weller

Absent:

Also Present: Marty Fannin, Sheriff Childress, Sup. Cox, Alina Hartley, Joe Steichen, Kathy Arbogast, Vicki Allen, John Clemmer,

Yoder called for any additions or changes to the agenda with none being requested. *Motion by Weller, second by Peterson to approve the agenda as presented. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.*

The Committee reviewed minutes of the February 3, 2015 meeting. *Motion by Peterson, second by Weller to approve the minutes of the February 3, 2015 meeting as presented. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.*

Monthly Department Report – N/A

Cook County Report - Superintendent Cox reported a Cook County billing of \$58,500 for a total year to date of \$168,250.00. Cox further reported a monthly federal billing of \$24,915, for a year to date total of \$54,615.00.

Animal Control – Sheriff Childress reported that there were 52 calls fielded by the animal control secretary, 44 of which required a response by an officer.

Sheriff's Department Staffing – Sheriff Childress stated that he is requesting four additional officers be added to the staff. Childress stated that the shortage in staff is forcing overtime. Childress stated that high overtime results in lower public safety and lower moral amongst the officers. Childress stated that he believes the optimum staffing level is four deputies per shift, which would result in a minimum of three being on duty with vacation and sick leave. Childress stated that he would also be able to place more officers in school areas in the mornings and afternoons when school starts and ends. Childress stated that the increase in officers would also result in better response times. Weller questioned whether the town contracts were included in the Sheriff's numbers, with the response being no. The Committee reviewed the staffing history going back to 2007 as well and the town contract and budget information. Discussion took place. Yoder stated that he would need more information in writing from the sheriff to support the request. The Committee will discuss this item further at next month's meeting.

Sheriff's Office Lobby Glass – Sheriff Childress stated that when the building was built there was no bullet proof glass put in on the office side. Childress introduced Mike from Mike's Glass Plus who presented a proposal to replace the glass at a cost of \$4,727. Childress noted that the door is another issue that he would recommend be addressed with the addition of a ballistic skin. Total cost of both projects is approximately \$5,827. Discussion took place. Consensus of the Committee was that this item should be presented for consideration during the 2016 budget year.

Raffle Licenses – The Committee reviewed applications for Class B raffle licenses submitted by Emington Community and Knights of Columbus. *Motion by Peterson, second by Weller to approve Class B raffle licenses for Emington Community and Knights of Columbus.* **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.**

The Committee reviewed the bills presented. *Motion by Peterson, second by Heath to approve the bills.* **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.**

Executive Session – *Motion by Mays, second by Peterson to go into Executive Session pursuant to 5ILCS 120/2 (c)(1) – Personnel Matters.* **MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE.** All voted Aye, none Nay.

Executive Session began at 6:05 p.m.

Regular Session resumed at 6:20 p.m.

Action Resulting from Executive Session – N/A

Motion by Peterson, second by Weller to adjourn. **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.** The meeting adjourned at 6:21 p.m..

Alina Hartley
Administrative Resource Specialist