

LIVINGSTON COUNTY BOARD
SHERIFF, JAIL & LICENSE COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF APRIL 3, 2023

Committee Chair Bob Weller called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. in the County Board Room of the Historic Courthouse.

Present: Bob Weller, Mark Runyon, Joel Barickman, Gina Manker, Bill Mays and Paul Ritter

Absent: Jim Blackard

Also Present: Executive Director Alina Hartley, Executive Assistant Jordan Uselding, Finance Director Diane Schwahn, Human Resource Director Ginger Harris, Sheriff Ryan Bohm, Chief Deputy Bob Turner, Jail Superintendent Lisa Draper and County Board Members James Carley, Seth Welch, Steven Lovell, Linda Ambrose, Gerald Earing, Michael Haag and Rebekah Fehr.

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

The Committee reviewed the minutes of the March 6, 2023 meeting. *Motion by Mays, second by Runyon to approve the minutes as submitted. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.*

Approval of Annual Liquor License / Mobile Home Renewals – The Committee reviewed a summary of the annual liquor license and mobile home renewals submitted by County Clerk Kristy Masching. Weller stated the list of applicants have all been approved and have paid their fees. *Motion by Mays, second by Ritter to approve the Annual Liquor License and Mobile Home Renewals as submitted. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.*

Monthly Department Report – Sheriff Bohm provided a copy of the monthly department report for the Committees review. Bohm reported there were 75 traffic warnings, 113 traffic citations issued and 89 total incidents for the month of March.

Housing Report – Superintendent Draper provided a copy of the monthly housing report at the Jail for February 2023. The billing for the Cook County and Federal housing totaled \$207,698.

Animal Control Report – A copy of the monthly animal control report was distributed.

Pro-Active Report – A copy of the monthly pro-active report was distributed.

Jail Health Services – Sheriff Bohm and Superintendent Draper expressed concerns with the medical contractor being used at the Jail. Bohm stated the contractor has not been providing medical coverage 24/7 due to staffing issues, which is a breach of contract. Draper stated that she advertised for medical personnel and provided applications to the medical contractor and there has been no improvement. Bohm stated he and Draper have looked into 2 other medical service providers, as well as, the possibility of managing their own medical staff and are weighing the

options. The Committee encouraged them to continue to look into managing it on their own, including what the additional insurance costs would be.

Capital Purchase – Ballistic Shields / Plate Carriers – Chief Deputy Bob Turner reported that he had 3 different shields sent to the Sheriff’s Office so the deputies could handle them and there was discussion of the weight of the shields and how long they could be carried during a search before fatigue would set in. Turner reported that plate carriers with a front panel could be purchased for a similar cost as the shields. Discussion took place, the Committee found plate carriers to be more practical, especially in an active shooter incident so the deputies can carry their rifle or handgun. Turner stated it would be beneficial to use the \$20,000 from the Capital Fund on the purchase of plate carriers instead of ballistic shields. *Motion by Ritter, second by Manker to approve the purchase of plate carriers in lieu of ballistic shields.* **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.**

Special Event Request – Wildflower Rd. – Hartley reported that they received a special event application for a food/liquor truck to take place on June 2-3, 2023 for a music festival. Hartley reported that the vendor, Wildflower Road, LLC, is fully insured and has provided a copy of their state and local liquor license. *Motion by Ritter, second by Barickman to approve the Special Event Application as submitted.* **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.**

Raffle License – John Joda Post #54, American Legion & Fairbury Fair Association (2) - The Committee reviewed two Class B Raffle License applications submitted by John Joda Post #54 – American Legion & Fairbury Fair. *Motion by Mays, second by Runyon to approve the applications as submitted.* **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.**

Review & Approval of Bills – The Committee reviewed the bills submitted. *Motion by Barickman, second by Runyon to approve the bills as submitted.* **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.**

The floor was opened for public comment.

Executive Session – N/A

Motion by Mays, second by Ritter to adjourn. **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:01 p.m.

Jordan E. Uselding
Executive Assistant