

Vermilion County Public Safety Committee
Wednesday July 15, 2020 5:00 P.M.
VCAB- 201 N Vermilion Street, 2nd FL- Chambers

MINUTES

Agenda Item 1 - Call to Order and Roll Call

Chairman Larry Baughn Jr. called the Public Safety Committee meeting to order @ 5:00 P.M. on Wednesday July 15, 2020.

Upon the call of roll, the following committee members were present: Tom Morse, Craig Golden, Bruce Stark, Becky Stark, and Nancy O’Kane. (5 present, 2 absent) Chuck Nesbitt was excused. Natalie Duncan was absent. Also attending the meeting were: Larry Baughn Jr.-Chairman, Sheriff Hartshorn, Russ Rudd- EMA Director, Bill Donahue- County Board Risk Consultant, and Jennifer Jenkins- County Board Office Manager.

Agenda Item 2 - Adoption/Amendments of Agenda

Morse moved, seconded by Golden, to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion passed by acclamation.

Agenda Item 3 - Approval Minutes – September 18, 2019

Bruce Stark moved, second by Golden, to accept the minutes as written. Motion passed by acclamation.

Agenda Item 4 - Audience Comments

None

Agenda Item 5 –Budget- Coroner

Baughn Jr. presented the Coroner’s budget and explained that there were a few decreases. Of course, other than salaries. Motion by Morse to approve the Coroner’s budget as presented, second by Becky Stark. Upon the roll of call the following voted yes to-wit: Morse, Golden, Bruce Stark, Becky Stark, and Nancy O’Kane. 5-yes 2-absent.

Agenda Item 6 Budget- EMA

Russ Rudd presented the EMA budget to the committee and explained that there are a few decreases, otherwise it remains about the same. Motion by Bruce Stark to approve the budget as presented, second by Morse. Upon the roll of call the following voted yes to-wit: Morse, Golden, Bruce Stark, Becky Stark, and Nancy O’Kane. 5-yes 2-absent.

Agenda Item 7 Budget- Merit Commission

There was a small increase of \$500.00. Other than that no changes noted. Sheriff Hartshorn explained that the Merit Commission is generally a civil service board for the Sheriff’s Department. They administer written exams, physical agility tests, and oral interviews for all of the potential candidates for Corrections, or Deputy Sheriff. Motion by Bruce Stark to approve the budget as presented, second by Golden. Upon the roll of call the following voted yes to-wit: Morse, Golden, Bruce Stark, Becky Stark, and Nancy O’Kane. 5-yes 2-absent.

Agenda Item 8- Budget- Sheriff’s Department

Sheriff Hartshorn started with the general fund budget which covers all operations outside of the Public Safety Building. There is only one change which is an increase from last fiscal year. Some in the payroll which was already negotiated with the County Board Office. Everything else remains the same. Motion by Golden to approve the budget as presented, second by Becky Stark. Upon the roll of call the following voted yes to-wit: Morse, Golden, Bruce Stark, Becky Stark, and Nancy O’Kane. 5-yes 2-absent.

Agenda Item 9 – Public Safety Building

Sheriff Hartshorn presented the Public Safety Building budget to the committee. He explained that this is for the inside operations of the Public Safety Building. He explained that the biggest change in the PSB budget is salaries and supplies. The supplies increased by \$5,000.00 due to personal protective equipment. There is also an increase in the PBC (Public Building Commission) lease that was negotiated by the County Board Office. Motion by Bruce Stark to approve the budget as presented, second by Golden. Upon the roll of call the following voted yes to-wit: Morse, Golden, Bruce Stark, Becky Stark, and Nancy O’Kane. 5-yes 2-absent

Agenda Item 10 - Executive Session

Not necessary at this meeting.

Agenda Item 11 - Items of Information or Committee Concerns

Baughn Jr. shared that he did meet with the City of Danville today, specifically with Alderman Foster, Alderman Puhr, and Mayor Williams as well as County Board member, Wes Bieritz. The discussion was in regards to the Breese Tower and the Annex. The rough estimate for the demolition of Breese was around \$1.5 million. That did not include the asbestos abatement. Chairman Baughn asked that they get a more solid estimate on the cost of this. As well as the cost for each building so that we can ensure our costs for our building.

Agenda Item 12 - Adjournment

Being no further business, Chairman Baughn adjourned the meeting at 5:31 P.M.

Minutes by: Jennifer Jenkins, Office Manager, County Board