

Special Public Safety Committee Meeting
Wednesday January 31, 2024
5:00 P.M., Joseph G. Cannon Building, Basement FL.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Adoption/Amendments to Agenda
3. Approval of Minutes – August 16, 2023
4. Audience Comments
5. Resolution of Vermilion County Multi-Jurisdictional Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan
6. Department Overview(s) by- Sheriff Hartshorn, Coroner Jane McFadden, and EMA Director Russell Rudd
7. Executive Session:
 - A. Pursuant to Open Meetings Act 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1) The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee to determine its validity.
 - B. Pursuant to Open Meetings act 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (6) The setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the public body.
 - C. Pursuant to Open Meetings Act 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (11) Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting.
8. Items of Information and Committee Concerns
9. Adjournment

Public Safety Committee
Wednesday, August 16, 2023
5:00 PM, 2nd Floor, JGC Building

MINUTES

Agenda Item 1 - Call to Order and Roll Call

Committee Chairman Craig Golden called the Public Safety meeting to order at 5:05 PM. Upon the call of the roll, the following members were present; Craig Golden, Crisi Walls, Greg Shepard, and Bruce Stark. Mitch Weaver and Dan Wright were absent. Nancy O’Kane was excused absent. (4 present, 3 absent) Also, in attendance; Cassy Carter – Financial Resources Director, Jane McFadden – Vermilion County Coroner, Cathy Jenkins – County Clerk, Robyn Heffern – Chief Deputy County Clerk’s Office, Russ Rudd – Director of EMA and Pat Hartshorn – Vermilion County Sheriff.

Agenda Item 2 - Adoption/Amendments to the Agenda

Bruce Stark motioned, second by Crisi Walls to approve the agenda. Motion passed by acclamation.

Agenda Item 3 - Approval of Minutes – March 15, 2023

Crisi Walls motioned to approve minutes, second by Greg Shepard. Motion passed by acclamation.

Agenda Item 4 - Audience Comments

None

Agenda Item 5 – Ordinance – RE: Establishing the Number of Deputy Sheriffs and Correctional Officers

Bruce Stark motioned, second by Craig Golden. Sheriff Hartshorn presented the ordinance to be placed in the FY2023-2024 Budget. This ordinance sets the total Deputy Sheriff positions at 42 and total correctional employees at 52 with 44 of that number being correction officers.

Upon the call of the roll the following members voted yes, to wit: Craig Golden, Crisi Walls, Greg Shepard and Bruce Stark. 4 yes, 3 absent. Motion passed.

Agenda Item 6 – EMA Budget FY 2023-2024

Bruce Stark motioned, second by Craig Golden. Russ Rudd presented the budget and explained all stayed the same with the exception of the increase in the salary line. This would allow Russ to hire a Chief Deputy to train so that he may retire in 2024-2025.

Upon the call of the roll the following members voted yes, to wit: Craig Golden, Crisi Walls, Greg Shepard and Bruce Stark. 4 yes, 3 absent. Motion passed

Agenda Item 7 – Coroner Budget FY 2023-2024

Crisi Walls motioned, second by Greg Shepard to discuss. Jane McFadden presented the budget and explained they work hard to keep cost down. The budget is the same as last year with an increase of the 3.125% salary increase per union contract and county board action. She also stated the revenue will increase due to the increase in the cremation fee.

Upon the call of the roll the following members voted yes, to wit: Craig Golden, Crisi Walls, Greg Shepard and Bruce Stark. 4 yes, 3 absent. Motion passed.

Agenda Item 8 – Merit Commission Budget FY 2023-2024

Bruce Stark motioned, second by Crisi Wall to discuss. Sheriff Hartshorn explained the budget stayed the same as the previous year with the exception of the salary line.

Upon the call of the roll the following members voted yes, to wit: Craig Golden, Crisi Walls, Greg Shepard

and Bruce Stark. 4 yes, 3 absent. Motion passed.

Agenda Item 9 – Sheriff’s Department Budget FY 2023-2024

Craig Golden motioned, second by Bruce Stark to discuss. Sheriff Hartshorn explained the only increases were to the salary line which was increased per County Board action.

Upon the call of the roll the following members voted yes, to wit: Craig Golden, Crisi Walls, Greg Shepard and Bruce Stark. 4 yes, 3 absent. Motion passed.

Agenda Item 10 – Public Safety Building Budget FY 2023-2024

Crisi Walls motioned, second by Bruce Stark to discuss. Sheriff Hartshorn explained the salary line increased per County Board action. There was also an increase in doctor contract at 5%.

Upon the call of the roll the following members voted yes, to wit: Craig Golden, Crisi Walls, Greg Shepard and Bruce Stark. 4 yes, 3 absent. Motion passed.

Agenda Item 11 – Executive Session

None

Agenda Item 12 - Items of Information

There were no items.

Agenda Item 13 – Adjournment

Committee Chairman Golden adjourned the meeting at 5:35 PM.

Minutes by: Cassy Carter, Financial Resources Director

Vermilion County, Illinois

Resolution No. _____

A Resolution of Vermilion County adopting the
2023 Vermilion County Multi-Jurisdictional Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan

WHEREAS the Vermilion County Board recognizes the threat that natural and man-made hazards, including severe thunderstorms, severe winter storms, floods, and tornadoes among others, pose to people and property within Vermilion County; and

WHEREAS Vermilion County has prepared a multi-hazard mitigation plan, hereby known as the 2023 Vermilion County Multi-Jurisdictional Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan in accordance with federal laws, including the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, as amended; the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, and the National Dam Safety Program Act, as amended; and

WHEREAS the 2023 Vermilion County Multi-Jurisdictional Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan identifies mitigation goals and actions to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to people and property in Vermilion County from the impacts of future hazards and disasters; and

WHEREAS adoption by the Vermilion County Board demonstrates its commitment to hazard mitigation and achieving the goals outlines in the 2023 Vermilion County Multi-Jurisdictional Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE VERMILION COUNTY BOARD, THAT:

The Vermilion County Board adopts the 2023 Vermilion County Multi-Jurisdictional Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan and agrees to participate in the annual maintenance and evaluation of the Plan.

ADOPTED by a vote of ___ in favor and ___ against, and ___ abstaining, this 13th day of February, 2024

CERTIFIED by _____
Larry Baughn Jr.,
Chairman,
Vermilion County Board

ATTESTED by _____
Cathy Jenkins
Vermilion County Clerk

Approved by Public Safety Committee 01/31/2024: Craig Golden Y N A
Chairman

Crisi Walls	Y N A	Nancy O’Kane	Y N A
Dan Wright	Y N A	Jim McMahon	Y N A
Mitch Weaver	Y N A	Gary Miller	Y N A

Ordinance No. _____