

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF JUNE 2, 2016

Present: Chairman Commissioner Jeremy Whittum, Vice-Chairman Commissioner Howard Spence, Commissioner Kent Austin, Commissioner Barbara Rogers, Commissioner Jim Osieczonek, Commissioner Wally Miars

Also Present: Controller John Fuentes, Board Chairperson Blake Mulder, Commissioner Wayne Ridge, Sheriff Tom Reich, Undersheriff Jeff Cook, Helen Schneider, Larry McNair, Jerri Nesbitt, Theresa O'Dell

The meeting was called to order at 4:02 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Austin made a motion to accept the minutes of the May 5, 2016 meeting upon correction of Vice-Chairman being made to reflect Vice-Chairman Commissioner Howard Spence. Commissioner Rogers seconded. Motion Carried.

LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

CENTRAL DISPATCH UPDATE

A copy of the Judge's opinion issued in the lawsuit filed by the City of Potterville was distributed and reviewed. The ruling in favor of the County allows Dispatch to continue to use the closest concept in its dispatch method.

MONTHLY REPORTS

Controller Fuentes presented the reimbursement, Jail Census, Court Security, and the Overtime reports. There was discussion regarding Corrections Division overtime.

MAPLE VALLEY SCHOOL LIAISON CONTRACT RENEWAL

The renewal of the contract with Maple Valley Schools for provision of a Liaison Officer in the school two days per week in the amount of \$30,000 was presented for approval. Commissioner Hosey made a motion to recommend approval of the contract renewal to the Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Austin seconded. Motion carried.

Vice Chairman Spence called for five minute recess at 4:20 p.m.

Vice Chairman Spence called the meeting back to order at 4:25 p.m.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE UPDATE

Undersheriff Cook updated the Committee on the second Citizen Police Academy that began on May 25th.

Undersheriff Cook provided an update on recent case activity.

Undersheriff Cook advised that there is a COPS More Grant available through the U.S. Department of Justice. The Sheriff's Office is interested in applying and the grant would be used to fund the restoration of a community policing officer. Controller Fuentes updated the Committee on the history of the grants and its matching and retention requirements.

(Chairperson Whittum arrived at 4:40 p.m.)

Commissioner Austin made a motion to recommend to the Board of Commissioners to approve the application of the COPS More Grant available through the U.S. Department of Justice. Discussion held.

Motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS

An update was provided held on the Community Mental Health jail-based position.

LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT

Larry McNair updated the Committee on the emergency exercise being held on September 24th. The Fair Board has approved the use of the fairgrounds.

Commissioner Spence asked if a resolution could be drafted for approval by the Board of Commissioners for R/Sheriff Art Kelsey.

Chairperson Whittum called for an adjournment at 4:55 p.m.



Commissioner Jeremy Whittum
Chairperson Public Safety Committee
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