

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2021**

**4:00 P.M.**

**MINUTES**

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Chairman Commissioner Tim Barnes, Vice-Chairman Commissioner Wayne Ridge, Commissioner Brian Droscha, Commissioner Brandon Haskell, Commissioner Mark Mudry, Commissioner Dairus Reynnet, and Commissioner Jane Whitacre

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Chairman Jeremy Whittum, Controller John Fuentes, Undersheriff Jeff Cook, Deputy Dispatch Director Kelly Cunningham, Emergency Management Coordinator Ryan Wilkinson, and Jerri Nesbitt

The October 7, 2021 regular meeting of the Public Safety Committee was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Chairman Barnes.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given by all, led by Commissioner Ridge.

**AGENDA ADDITIONS AND CHANGES**

There were no additions or changes to the agenda. Commissioner Whitacre moved to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Haskell seconded. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

Controller Fuentes reported an update to the Central Dispatch Update portion of the Minutes pertaining to the Rave Alert systems in the Charlotte and Eaton Rapids schools. Update was made to reflect, the "cities of". Commissioner Droscha moved to approve the Minutes of the September 2, 2021 as updated. Commissioner Reynnet seconded. Motion carried.

**LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**SHERIFF'S OFFICE UPDATE**

Undersheriff Cook highlighted the major incidents that occurred in September 2021.

**MONTHLY REPORTS**

Controller Fuentes presented the monthly reimbursement, jail census, and court security reports. Parole Violator housing program did not meet projected revenues. The unfavorable variance is

anticipated to be absorbed through expenditure savings. Revenues from the WRAP program are as projected. There were no significant changes in the jail census. WRAP program participant numbers remained stable and MDOC inmate numbers increased slightly. The adopted budget takes these numbers into account. There were no unusual incidents to report from court security.

#### RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

Controller Fuentes spoke on behalf of Eaton County Prosecutor Doug Lloyd requesting a Resolution recognizing October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Commissioner Haskell made a motion to recommend approval to the Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Ridge seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### CENTRAL DISPATCH UPDATE

Central Dispatch Deputy Director Cunningham reported that Fire & EMS radio updates are in the process of being completed via Wi-Fi. Mobile and base radio updates must be done physically and are expected to be completed by the end of the year. MPSCS is updating law enforcement radios with the Calhoun County encryption keys. Clinton County is expecting to join the MPSCS in December, which will require further updates to the radios.

#### RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT HB5026

HB5026 is an amendment to the 9-1-1 Service Enabling System Act. Support is requested to increase the 9-1-1 fee for pre-paid phones from 5 percent to 6 percent. The legislation would also continue fees collected for the next 2 years. Commission Droscha made a motion to recommend approval of the resolution to the Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Haskell seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### EMERGENCY SERVICES UPDATE

Emergency Management Coordinator Wilkinson reported his appointment to the position of Secretary to the International Association of Emergency Managers-USA Region 5. This is a 2-year appointment. All K-12 school districts within the County are required to conduct 10 drills throughout the school year by September 15<sup>th</sup>. Eaton County had 100 percent participation and compliance. The Emergency Management Performance Plan has been completed and sent in. The Operation Silver Thaw 2021 Exercise is scheduled for Tuesday, December 7, 2021. The exercise is all virtual with field operations being simulated. Participants include Eaton, Clinton, and Ingham Counties, Delta and Delhi Townships, Michigan State University and Lansing Police Departments.

#### ORV ORDINANCE UPDATE

Controller Fuentes provided an update on the consultation with the Eaton County Road Commission which is required as part of the consideration for the development of an ORV Ordinance. Committee Chairman Barnes has signed a letter that is being sent to Townships requesting their input. Discussion Held. Commissioner Droscha indicated he did not feel such an ordinance was necessary for the County. Further discussion held.

MISCELLANEOUS

Committee Chairman Barnes invited attendance to a presentation he is giving on October 28<sup>th</sup>, at Central Dispatch from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on air flight trauma responses.

LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Commissioner Barnes adjourned the meeting at 4:42 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Public Safety Committee will be held on Thursday, November 4, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. in the Board of Commissioners' Room of the County Courthouse located at 1045 Independence Blvd., Charlotte, MI 48813.



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Commissioner Tim Barnes  
Chairperson, Public Safety Committee