

Minutes of the Judiciary and Law Enforcement Committee – March 25, 2008

Chair Bonnie Morris called the meeting to order at 8:17 a.m. .

Committee Members Present: County Board Supervisors Bonnie Morris (Chair), Kathleen Cummings, Dave Swan and Steve Wimmer, Rick Stevens, and Genia Bruce.

Also Present: Legislative Policy Advisor Dave Krahn , Legislative Associate Karen Phillips, Sheriff Dan Trawicki, Deputy Inspector Eric Severson and Senior Financial Analyst Lyndsay Johnson.

Approve Minutes of February 14, 2008

MOTION: Swan moved, second by Stevens, to approve the minutes of February 14, 2008. Motion carried 6-0.

Correspondence

- The Third Branch Newsletter, Winter 2008

Executive Committee Report

Morris highlighted the items discussed at the March 17, 2008, Executive Committee meeting.

- Ordinances for UW Extension (4H) and Capital Contribution to Village of Sussex for Sheriff's Substation
- Approval of three appointments
- Closed session regarding lawsuit with Nationwide Insurance.

Report by Committee Member Liaisons

- Cummings reported on the March 17, 2008, LEPC meeting. She explained their mission statement and reviewed the types of issues now covered, as well as how their charge may evolve for the future.

Meeting Approvals

Cummings requested approval for a breakfast meeting she attended which was presented by WCEDC.

MOTION: Swan moved, Wimmer second, to approve attendance of the Judiciary & Law Enforcement Committee members at Waukesha County in an Innovation Age presented by WCEDC on March 4, 2008. Motion carried 6-0.

Future Meeting Dates

March 28, 2008, will be the last meeting of the Judiciary and Law Enforcement Committee for the board year.

Review and Consider Ordinance 162-O-115: Agreement Approval For Capital Contribution To Village Of Sussex For Sheriff's Substation

Trawicki explained that this ordinance appropriates \$500,000 to the Village of Sussex to create a multi-jurisdictional substation. It is anticipated that the Village of Sussex, the Village of Merton and the Town of Lisbon will work out of this new substation and start to combine services. They will continue to have individual police contracts, but they will work in one central location. Trawicki stated that he will assign a detective on days and second shift to the substation, as well as a squad. He explained that bringing the communities together would result in an overall cost-savings for the County. Also, this effort will encourage local municipalities to come together and share resources. He emphasized that the Village of Sussex will own and maintain the building. In turn, they have agreed to

have other communities use this building at no cost. However, there is a repayment schedule should Sussex choose to terminate its police contract with the County, based on \$40,000 a year over a ten year period.

Trawicki specifically referred to item #5 in the cooperation agreement. He discussed the change in language, which clarifies the Sheriff will use the facility for police activities which the Sheriff is under contract to provide to the Village of Sussex, Town of Lisbon and Village of Merton. Trawicki stated that Lisbon and Merton do intend to work out of the substation, but things may change in the future and they may say at some point they want to work out of their own municipality. Trawicki explained that the repayment option stated in #6 only specifically addresses the Village of Sussex.

Morris asked Krahn for his input on the change in verbiage regarding #5 in the cooperation agreement. Krahn stated he felt the white copy changes initiated by Legislative Policy Advisor Mader were appropriate, and further discussion followed to further clarify the language of the agreement.

Morris asked how much the actual cost of the building would be. Trawicki stated he thought it could cost several hundred thousand dollars over and above the \$500,000 being paid by the County. He stated the size of the building would accommodate potential future police contracts in the same building.

MOTION: Stevens moved, second by Bruce, to approve Ordinance 162-O-115. Motion carried 6-0.

MOTION: Stevens moved, second by Wimmer, to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 a.m.
Motion carried 6-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen M. Cummings
Secretary