

**Minutes of the Judiciary and Law Enforcement Committee
June 11, 2010**

Chair Jean Tortomasi called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Committee Members Present: County Board Supervisors Jean Tortomasi (Chair), Dave Falstad, Kathleen Cummings, Paul Decker, Steve Wimmer, Bill Zaborowski, and Peter Wolff.

Also Present: Legislative Policy Advisor Sarah Spaeth, Legislative Associate Karen Phillips, Deputy Inspector Eric Severson, Business Manager Lyndsay Johnson, Case Manager Rebecca Scott and Community Educator (VISTA) Steve Bailey.

Approve Minutes of May 14, 2010

MOTION: Wolff moved, second by Falstad, to approve the minutes of May 14, 2010.
Motion carried 6-0.

Cummings arrived at 8:33 a.m.

Correspondence

- Grant application from the Department of Emergency Management: Law Enforcement Command Radio Projects Grant in the amount of \$7,900.
- Tortomasi discussed correspondence she received regarding a bomb threat at the Rock County Courthouse.
- Decker commented on an article in the Tomahawk Ledger regarding a pending decision by the State to close either Ethan Allen School or Lincoln Hills School.

Executive Committee Meeting Report of May 17, 2010

Tortomasi said items covered at the meeting included nomination and election of the Executive Committee Secretary.

Reports from Committee Member Liaisons

- Tortomasi reported that the Dispatch Operations Commission is inching forward in the CAD system selection process. Purchasing is still in negotiations and a site visit is planned for next week.
- Cummings reported on the items discussed at the LEPC meeting of March 30, 2010. She detailed the various on-site incident and tabletop exercises that have taken place to date in 2010. A power outage exercise is planned for July of this year.

Meeting Approvals

MOTION: Falstad moved, second by Zaborowski, to approve attendance at the Executive Committee meeting on June 14, 2010, for the Presentation and Discussion of the Department of Health and Human Services Billing and Accounts Receivable Function Audit.

Motion carried 7-0.

Future Meeting Date

- July 16, 2010

Future Agenda Items

Tortomasi advised the Committee members to convey any desired agenda items to her or County Board staff.

Ordinance 165-O-024: Amend Sheriff's Department 2010 Budget Expenditure Of Office Of National Drug Control Policy Cooperative Agreement Funds

Severson discussed this ordinance which authorizes the Sheriff's Department to appropriate up to \$13,126 of NDCP cooperative agreement award funds. These federal funds will be used for overtime, vehicle lease and equipment expenses related to the County's participation in investigation and enforcement activities in the Milwaukee High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA). The department's cost estimates related to this ordinance are as follows:

- Overtime and Related Benefits - \$2,260
- Vehicle Lease - \$1,866
- Small Equipment - \$9,000

Severson discussed how advancing technology (cell phones, internet, etc.) has affected drug trafficking and drug enforcement activities.

MOTION: Zaborowski moved, second by Cummings, to approve Ordinance 165-O-024.

Before the vote, Tortomasi clarified that for this and all future votes by this Committee, any "no" vote must be clearly heard to be counted.

Motion carried 7-0.

Ordinance 165-O-025: Accept Joint Federal Justice Assistance Grant And Modify Waukesha County Sheriff Department's 2010 Budget To Authorize Grant Expenditures

Severson discussed this ordinance which authorizes the Sheriff's Department to accept a Justice Assistance Grant award of \$7,000 to be used to purchase additional equipment for enhancement of law enforcement efforts, including the following items:

- Fitness-for-duty equipment - \$1,825
- Hand-held metal detector wands - \$525
- Protective equipment for personnel - \$1,250
- Wireless scanner - \$1,800
- Surveillance equipment - \$1,600

Severson discussed the physical agility program for new hires, which was implemented in 2008.

MOTION: Wolff moved, second by Wimmer, to approve Ordinance 165-O-025.

Motion carried 7-0.

Overview of the 180° Juvenile Diversion Program

Bailey and Scott reviewed a PowerPoint presentation and handout describing the components of the program including background and structure, eligibility and initial interview, community collaborations, program funding, referral process, education/curriculum, restorative justice, case management, evaluations, progress to date and future goals.

In response to Zaborowski's inquiry, Scott elaborated on the importance of parental/family involvement in the program. She stated the success ratio for completion of the program is 90%. So far a total of 65 participants have been served over six sessions. Staff is working on establishing a means for obtaining feedback from individuals, perhaps a year or so after completion of the program.

Tortomasi asked, in light of Waukesha's significant Hispanic population, whether the program is equipped to handle Spanish-speaking clients. Scott stated that Juana, an UW-Extension educator, is a volunteer facilitator who is bilingual. The new VISTA volunteer is also fluent in Spanish; however, no Spanish-speaking participants have been referred to the program to this point.

Tortomasi thanked Scott and Bailey for their informative presentation.

Legislative Update

Spaeth stated she recently attended a meeting of the Juvenile Corrections Review Committee in Madison. The committee is considering the possible closing of either Ethan Allen School or Lincoln Hills School. A recommendation by the committee is expected on June 21, 2010.

MOTION: Wolff moved, second by Decker, to adjourn at 9:44 a.m.
Motion carried 7-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen M. Cummings
Secretary