

Minutes
Eau Claire County
Committee on Judiciary and Law Enforcement
Wednesday, June 23, 2021 – 3:00 PM
Virtual Meeting via Cisco Webex

Members Present: Sandra McKinney, Zoe Roberts, Connie Russell, and Gerald Wilkie.

Members Absent: Melissa Janssen

Ex Officio Member Present: Nick Smiar

Others Present: Sheriff Ron Cramer, Captain Dave Riewestahl, Captain Joel Brettingen, Lieutenant Travis Holbrook, Lieutenant Cory Schalinske, Criminal Justice Director Tiana Glenna, Human Resources Director Jessica Rubin, Ryan Patterson, and Eric Huse.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Wilkie at 3:03 PM.

Call of the Roll

The Clerk called the roll. Attendance was noted above.

Confirmation of Public Meeting Notice

The Clerk confirmed this meeting was properly noticed to the public.

Public Comment

No public comment.

Approve Minutes from April 28, 2021 Meeting

Supervisor McKinney moved to approve the minutes from the May 26, 2021 meeting.. The minutes were adopted as published in the meeting materials via 4-0 voice vote.

Criminal Justice Collaborating Council Dashboard Update

- **Supervisor Russell Report from June 16, 2021 Criminal Justice Collaborating Council Meeting**
 - Supervisor Russell provided a brief review of the June 16, 2021 Criminal Justice Collaborating Council (CJCC) meeting. Supervisor Russell specifically noted the following: Community Collaborations and Interventions screening through jail is being used to meet needs of those booked in with mental health and substance abuse. The Evidence Based Decision Making workgroup will resume meetings after a break during COVID-19. Eau Claire Police Department Chief Matt Rokus and Health Director Lieske Giese both provided updates from their respective departments to the CJCC. It was also noted that a fee will now be assessed to the County for access to the Wisconsin Circuit Court Access REST data that is used to generate statistical reports.
- **Dashboard Review**
 - A link to the dashboard website was included in the meeting materials. The data is completely refreshed monthly on the website with additional data being added periodically. The committee did not specifically review the dashboard.

Eau Claire County Sheriff's Office Updates

- **Jail Population, Staffing, & COVID-19 Response**
 - Captain Dave Riewestahl presented an update. There has been a slight increase in jail population over the last month. The jail has also seen an increase in bookings. Additionally, there is still a backlog of inmates in the jail that are awaiting transport to the Wisconsin State Prison System. The County did receive reimbursement from the State for state inmates held in the jail from February to April, 2021.

- Captain Riewestahl reported that a recruitment process for Special Deputies has just closed; five applications were received. A third recruitment process for Correctional Officer positions has begun; 33 applications were received. A subsequent resignation was received in the last month for a total of four resignations on the year. Current staffing situation: Two individuals are in training, there are two open positions, one additional vacancy is forthcoming.
- Captain Riewestahl noted there are no new positive COVID-19 cases to report. Information and data is still being reported on website. Captain Riewestahl noted that in order to accommodate increased bookings, changes to quarantine period are being implemented.

Appropriate System-Wide Criminal Justice Language/Person First Language

Supervisor McKinney provided the information found in the meeting materials. The five page document provided links and resources promoting person first, humanizing language that can be used in the criminal justice system.

Ordinance 21-22/010 – Creating Section 9.85.030 of the County Code: Forfeiture; Amending Section 1.50.020 of the Code: Schedule of Deposits (as amended at the May 26, 2021 Committee on Judiciary and Law Enforcement meeting)

Supervisor Roberts presented the ordinance.

Supervisor Roberts moved to amend the ordinance:

- At line 18, after Marijuana, insert “and/or Marijuana Paraphernalia”

Chairperson Wilkie called for a roll call vote on the amendment: ROBERTS aye; RUSSELL aye; WILKIE aye; MCKINNEY aye. The amendment was **approved** 4-0.

Supervisor Roberts moved to adopt and present to the full County Board for consideration. Chairperson Wilkie called for a roll call vote on the amended ordinance: ROBERTS aye; RUSSELL aye; WILKIE aye; MCKINNEY nay. The ordinance, as amended, was **approved** 3-1.

Future Meeting Date

Joint meetings with the Committee on Budget and Finance to review 2022 department budget requests are scheduled for July 28, 2021 at 3:00 PM (also a regularly scheduled meeting) and July 29, 2021 at 3:00 PM

Future Agenda Items

- Eau Claire County Sheriff’s Office
 - Jail Population, Staffing, & COVID-19 Response
 - Audio/Visual Recording Equipment
 - Training Opportunities for Staff
 - Training & Standards Legislation at State Level
- Procedures/Policies for the Proper Execution of Search Warrants
- Procedures/Policies for Officer Involved Critical Incidents

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned by Chairperson Wilkie at 3:46 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:

Eric Huse

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Committee Clerk

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3 CREATING SECTION 9.85.030 OF THE COUNTY CODE: FORFEITURE; AMENDING
4 SECTION 1.50.020 OF THE CODE: SCHEDULE OF DEPOSITS

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6 The County Board of Supervisors of the County of Eau Claire does ordain as follows:

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8 SECTION 1. That Section 9.85.030 of the code be created to read:


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10 9.85.030 Forfeiture. Any person who has violated the provisions of Section 9.85.010 will
11 forfeit \$1.

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13 SECTION 2. That Subsection A. of Section 1.50.020 of the code be amended to read:

<u>ORDINANCE</u>	<u>OFFENSE</u>	<u>DEPOSIT</u>
17 9.80.080	Hours prohibited in public	50.00
18 <u>9.85.030</u>	<u>Possession of Marijuana and/or Marijuana</u> <u>Paraphernalia</u>	<u>1.00</u>
20 9.95.010	Truancy	50.00

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24 ENACTED:

25 I hereby certify that the foregoing correctly
26 represents the action of the Committee on
27 Judiciary and Law Enforcement on
28 May 23, 2021, by a vote of 3 for, and 1 against.

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32 Gerald Wilkie, Chair
33 Committee on Judiciary and Law Enforcement
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