

Agenda

Eau Claire County
Committee on Judiciary and Law Enforcement
Wednesday, January 24, 2024 – 4:00 PM
County Courthouse, Room 3312
721 Oxford Avenue, Eau Claire, WI 54703
& Virtual via Cisco WebEx

Join via WebEx Online:

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A majority of the County Board of Supervisors may be in attendance at this meeting; however, only members of the above noted committee may take action on an agenda item

Notice Regarding Public Comment: *Members of the public wishing to make comments are encouraged to email Eric Huse at Eric.Huse@dc.wi.gov at least 30 minutes prior to the start of the meeting. You will be called on during the Public Comment session to make your comments.*

1. Call to Order
2. Confirmation of Public Meeting Notice
3. Call of the Roll
4. Public Comment
5. Approve Minutes from December 13, 2023 Meeting – discussion/action pg. 2
6. Criminal Justice Services Dashboards – discussion
 - a. [Criminal justice data dashboard](#)
 - b. [Jail data dashboard](#)
7. Report on Criminal Justice Collaborating Council from Supervisor Russell – discussion
8. Sheriff's Office Updates – discussion
 - a. Jail population
 - b. Recruitment, retention, and other staffing challenges
 - c. Asset forfeiture presentation follow-up
 - d. Department of Corrections jail inspection report pg. 4
9. Set Future Meeting Date(s) – discussion/action
 - a. February 28, 2024 at 4:00PM
10. Set Future Agenda Item(s) – discussion/action
 - a. Sheriff's Office
 - i. Jail population
 - ii. Recruitment, retention, and other staffing challenges
 - iii. Jail death investigation/review
11. Announcements – discussion
12. Adjourn

Posted: 01/19/2024

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Minutes
Eau Claire County
Committee on Judiciary and Law Enforcement
Wednesday, December 13, 2023 – 3:00 PM
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Members Present: Allen Myren, Connie Russell, and Gerald Wilkie.

Members Present via Cisco WebEx: Stella Pagonis.

Members Not Present: Brett Geboy.

Others Present In Person: Register in Probate/Clerk of Juvenile Court Susan Warner, Human Resources Director Angela Eckman, Dave Riewestahl, Captain Travis Holbrook, Captain Cory Schalinske, Administrative Services Division Manager Katrina Ranallo, and Eric Huse.

Others Present via Cisco WebEx: Risk Manager Sonja Leenhouts, Senior Accounting Manager Amy Weiss, and Assistant to the County Administrator Samantha Kraegenbrink.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Wilkie at 3:00 PM.

Confirmation of Public Meeting Notice

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

Call of the Roll

The Clerk called the roll. Attendance is noted above.

Public Comment

No public comment was made.

Approval of Minutes from November 16, 2023 and December 05, 2023 Meetings

Supervisor Russell moved to approve the minutes from the November 16, 2023 and December 05, 2023 meetings. The minutes were adopted as published in the meeting materials via 4-0 voice vote.

Resolution 23-24/061 – Designating American Rescue Plan Act (“ARPA”) Funds to be Used for the Jail Remodel Project Located at 710 2nd Ave, Eau Claire, Wisconsin 54703

Chairperson Wilkie provided background information for the resolution.

Supervisor Myren moved to approve the resolution and present to the full County Board for consideration. The Committee The motion **passed** 4-0.

Wisconsin Elections Commission (WEC) Request for Information from Office of Register in Probate

Register in Probate Susan Warner provided an overview of the requests WEC has made to Registers in Probate statewide for case information. WEC has since withdrawn their request for information after consultation with legal counsel for the Wisconsin Counties Association.

Sheriff’s Office Updates

- **Jail population**
 - Sheriff Riewestahl reported to the Committee the 2023 average daily population will be higher than it was in 2022.
- **Recruitment, retention, and other staffing challenges**
 - Sheriff Riewestahl reported recruitment has been going well and complimented the efforts of the human resources department.

Future Meeting Dates

The next regular meeting of the Committee on Judiciary and Law Enforcement was scheduled for January 24, 2024 at 3:00PM

Future Agenda Items

- Sheriff's Office
 - Jail population
 - Recruitment, retention, and other staffing challenges
 - Jail death investigation/review
 - Asset forfeiture follow-up

Announcements

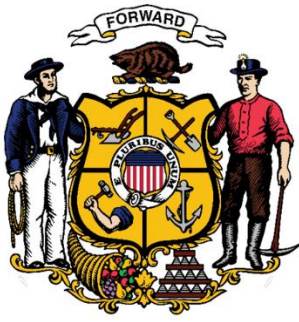
No announcements were made.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Chairperson Wilkie at 3:26 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:

Eric Huse
Committee Clerk



Wisconsin Department of Corrections

Governor Tony Evers | Secretary Kevin A. Carr

Office of Detention Facilities

Date: January 4, 2024

Sheriff Dave Riewestahl
Eau Claire County Sheriff's Department
710 2nd Ave.
Eau Claire, WI 54703

RE: 2023 Annual Inspection

Facility Name: Eau Claire County Jail
Address: 710 2nd Ave.
Eau Claire, WI 54703

Facility Type and Applicable Wisconsin Administrative Code:

- Juvenile Detention Facility (Chapter DOC 346)
- Secured Residential Care Center for Children and Youth (Chapter DOC 347)
- Huber Facility (Chapter DOC 348)
- Municipal Lockup Facility (Chapter DOC 349)
- Jail (Chapter DOC 350)

Date of Inspection: November 28, 2023 **Inspected By:** Brad Hoover

Inspection Process: The annual inspection of the facility was conducted pursuant to WI Statute 301.37(3). The inspection compared the facility and its operation to applicable state statutes and Department of Corrections administrative code. This inspection consisted of a tour of the facility to assess the safety, sanitation, adequacy, and fitness of the facility; dialogue with staff and inmates; and a review of facility records and documentation.

Approved Capacity Details

Maximum Rated Capacity	Population on the Day of Inspection	Is Facility Approved to Double Cell	Is Facility Approved to Hold Juveniles
418	168	Yes	No

Inspection Results:

- There were no violations noted on the day of inspection.

Inspection Comments:

- On the day of inspection the facility looked clean and in good condition. The staff should be commended for the overall appearance of the jail along with the professional interactions I witnessed between staff and inmates.
- A change from last year's inspection is that the jail has entered into contract with Summit for providing food and laundry services for the jail.
- Earlier this year Travis Holbrook was promoted to Jail Administrator and Chad Dachel was hired as the Lieutenant.

In closing, I would like to thank you and your staff for their cooperation during this inspection process. If you have any questions regarding this report or any other matter, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brad Hoover", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Brad Hoover, Inspector
Office of Detention Facilities

Cc: Travis Holbrook, Jail Administrator
Greg Bucholtz, ODF Director
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