November 10, 2010

Ogle County Sheriff's/Coroner/Building & Grounds/IT Combined Committee:

November 10, 2010 at 8:00 a.m. at the Old Courthouse, Conference Room #100, Oregon, IL. Those members attending were: Chairman Fred Horner, Lyle Hopkins,, Bobbie Colbert, Patricia Saunders, Bob DeArvil, Dan Janes, Coroner Lou Finch, Deputy Mike Harn and Sheriff Beitel. Also attending were Administrator Meggon McKinley and Larry Callant.

1. Call to Order:

Chairman Horner called the meeting to order at 8:06 a.m.

2. Approval of Minutes:

At this time, Chairman Horner asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the October 13, 2010 meeting. Saunders so moved, Hopkins seconded, motion carried.

3. Presentation and Consideration of Payment:

Janes made the motion to approve the **Sheriff's bills** - $20,865.98 - Colbert seconded. Saunders made the motion to approve the **Emergency Communications bills** - $9,567.05 - Hopkins seconded; Hopkins made the motion to approve the **Corrections bills** - $25,167.77, DeArvil seconded. DeArvil made the motion to approve the **OCEMA bills** - $387.08 - Janes seconded; for a total of $55,987.88, motion carried on all. Saunders made the motion to approve the **Building and Grounds bills** - $7,307.02, Hopkins seconded, motion carried. The **Coroner's bills** were then presented for approval. DeArvil made the motion to pay $2,886.21, Colbert seconded, motion carried. **IT bills** - Meggon McKinley presented bills for $991.00 from Fehr-Grahm for IT support services and $155.88 for website yearly fee. Saunders made motion to approve up to $1,146.88 pending more info on if the subscription fee is actually necessary. Hopkins seconded, motion carried.

4. Coroners Discussion and Comments:

a. Coroner Finch explained there were 30 deaths last month.
Last year $10,000 extra went into autopsy line item and stated that they had used $3709.00 of the funds and that $6,291.00 would be returned to line item.

5. Sheriff Discussion and Comments:

a. Comments and Updates:

Sheriff commented on the crime stats for Ogle County, stating that they were still up, running approx. 25% above this time last year.
He also mentioned that fatality crashes, however, were still down.

b. Reported that Ron McDermott is on leave using accumulated hours. Introduced that Candice Murphey will be replacing McDermott when he assumes his new position. Candace has worked part time for the OCEMA, has extensive experience, and that has been groomed to replace McDermott. Her current pay is being funded through a grant and beginning Dec. 1, 2010 she will become the full time OCEMA Coordinator with a salary of $50,000. This salary is $8,000 less than what McDermott was currently receiving and much less that neighboring counties pay.

Sheriff reported on a Network Upgrade that is needed to expand the bandwidth between Oregon and Rochelle. After using the "Untangle" device, it has been determined that the county is in need of purchasing Microwave cards in order to increase the bandwidth. There are very few cards available worldwide and as of April 2010 the cost of the cards was $2,000 for reconditioned cards and $7,000 per new card. Installation is estimated to be around $1,000.00. Sheriff asked for approval to spend up to $10,000 to purchase the cards and have installed. Meggon McKinnley explained that the spending would come from the original IT appropriations. Avril moved to approve, Sauders seconded and motion passed. Will be discussed again at Finance Committee meeting.

c. Detention Center Proposal Status:

Sheriff reported that there had been no news on the proposal submitted. Manzullo's office sent letter on behalf of Northern Illinois to garner support for the project.

Sheriff reported speaking with Glen Trivelinee, Dept. Director of Removal Operations twice. Ogle County's location to the Rockford Airport is a big plus for the area. Spoke of Kankakee also submitted proposal and that they are located next to their airport and house upwards of 300 Marshall prisoners on average. Stated they are a valid competitor.
Most communication regarding the proposals are very tight lipped.

Sheriff Beitel that he, Meggon McKinnley, and Deputy Harn would promote Ogle County by identifying the sites, touring the areas they are considering, what the costs would incur and development.

Sheriff distributed maps of areas that are being considered that were provided by Meggon McKinnley. The sight ideally will be at least 1 mile from railroads for evacuation purposes and in close proximity for the Rockford airport. Having access to utilities and fiber optic cables is also ideal.

Sheriff restated that a 20 year commitment is needed for this project to be advantageous to the county.

6.. Building & Grounds Discussion and Comments:

a. Driveway aprons around Old Courthouse will be done in the spring of 2011. The winter weather is not conducive to this project now.

The Ti Pi has been removed.

Still dealing with issues at the Old Courthouse involving the Handicap Door.

Other:

Kiosks - Being installed in every cell block to expedite the process of inmates and the Commissary. The sale of these items supports the operation of the jail. Inmates will be issued their own ID and will be able to purchase accordingly. This operation is much more cost efficient all the way around.

Deputy Harn - Question concerning Responsibility of Sheriff in regards to county buildings. Currently Highway Department building is not under Sheriff control the way the other buildings are. Need to investigate this according to policy to determine if a change needs to be made there. Looking into the idea of a separate Buildings and Grounds committee made up of heads from each building and the Sheriff.

Chairman Horner - Concerned about the accountability of the property in Judicial Center as to inventory of all properties. Security had notified that computer was taken from the building and trying to determine if it was personal property of county property.

7. Public Comments:

None

8. November Meeting Date and Time:

Wednesday, December 15, 2010 - 8:00 a.m. at the **Ogle County Courthouse, Conference Room #100, First Floor.**

9. **Adjourn:**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:36 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melissa Crippen
Executive Secretary