

Public Property & Law Enforcement Committee Meeting  
September 1, 2015 at 9:00 am  
County Board Room

Present: Donna Williamson, Dick Pufall, Norm Couture, Ken Wheeler, Gary Kabasa

Others: Jeff Beirl, Lori Schmidt, Heather Schutte, Pete Russo, Mick Brennan, Terry Schemenauer,  
Pete Herlevi

Donna Williamson called the meeting to order at 9:00 am. Roll call. Motion by Pete Russo to approve the August 4, 2015 meeting minutes as presented. Second by Dick Pufall. Motion carried.

Mick Brennan handed out the Sheriff's report for review and discussion. The jail population is dropping; current population is 47 inmates, 11 on monitor and 4 boarded out. A part-time dispatcher was let go due to poor performance, they have 2 part-time correctional officer positions to fill, and they will be starting more training this fall. Motion by Dick Pufall, second by Pete Russo to approve the Sheriff's report as presented. Motion carried.

Terry Schemenauer was present today to give an update on CJC. Clean sweeps have been going on, a Truancy Committee has been put together for High School students. Discussion followed.

Pete Herlevi was present today to give the Health and Human Services report. This report gave an update on building conditions, elder abuse awareness day and collection boxes for needles.

Discussion.

Jeff Beirl held discussion regarding the transfer of money from the capital project non-lapsing account (sale of the HHS former building) for connecting the three buildings with fiber optics and a new phone system. Ethernet and the phone system will be cost neutral, the cost of switches and re-wiring of the Courthouse will be around \$58,269.00, this was presented to the Finance Committee; however, they felt it needed the approval of this Committee. The second item that he is looking for funds for is the solar panel project. Chris LaForge is willing to help with this at a cost of \$750.00. The third item would be money to pay Venture Architects to do a feasibility study regarding expansion of the Jail; this cost would not exceed \$8,000.00. Motion by Pete Russo to approve a draw not to exceed \$70,000.00 from the capital improvement non-lapsing account (sale of former HHS building) and if any project is not funded the money will go back into this non-lapsing account. Second by Gary Kabasa. Motion carried.

Vouchers were reviewed at this time. Motion by Gary Kabasa, second by Pete Russo to approve vouchers for payment. Motion carried.

The next meeting was scheduled for October 6, 2015 at 9:00 am in the County Board Room. The November meeting will be held on November 3, 2015 at 10:00 am at the Ashland County Sheriff's Department.

Motion by Pete Russo, second by Dick Pufall to adjourn. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 10:12 am.

Lori Schmidt  
Administrative Assistant