

**Public Property & Law Enforcement Committee Meeting**  
**December 6, 2016 at 10:00 am**  
**Conference Room – Law Enforcement Center**

Present: Donna Williamson, Jerry Teague, Norm Couture, Ken Wheeler, Gary Kabasa

Others: Jeff Beirl, Lori Schmidt, Pete Russo, Mick Brennan, Kathy Schutte,  
Charles Ortman, Terry Schemenauer, Dorothy Tank, Terri Perry, Callae Hyde

Motion by Jerry Teague, second by Ken Wheeler to call the meeting to order 10 minutes early. Motion carried.

Donna Williamson called the meeting to order at 9:52 a.m. and roll call was taken. Motion by Jerry Teague to approve the November 10, 2016 meeting minutes as presented. Second by Gary Kabasa, motion carried.

Mick Brennan handed out the Sheriff's report for review and discussion. Currently there are 52 inmates, 13 on monitor and 5 boarded out. Discussion followed regarding probation holds. The new jail controls are in and running. Mick stated that they still have 1 full-time and 1 part-time patrol position open. Dispatch is fully staffed and this is helping to keep overtime down. Mick also stated that they have ordered 3 new squads of which 1 is a replacement for 1 that was totaled. Motion by Norm Couture, second by Gary Kabasa to approved the Sheriff's report. Motion carried.

Terry Schemenauer proceeded with the CJC report. Terry stated that they recently sent a load down with Chicago Iron for recycling, grants are running out and there are 6 people in the TAD grant program. Discussion followed.

Terri Perry then gave the HHS report. They have just completed pepper spray training with the Sheriff's department. The driveway at their building is to be re-done by the City next spring and other building issues have been addressed by the building owners. A home visit policy along with a report of discharge of pepper spray was handed out and reviewed. Discussion followed.

Motion by Jerry Teague, second by Gary Kabasa to approve the CJC and HHS reports. Motion carried.

Callae Hyde was present today regarding changes she would like to see in the animal ordinance that would be more user friendly, currently the Ordinance reads "dogs" and she would like it to read "animals at large" and to take out "as per State Statute". Discussion followed. Motion by Ken Wheeler to approve the changes and to move the Ordinance forward to the full Board for action. Second by Norm Couture. Motion carried.

Dorothy Tank reported on 911 addressing. She stated that she was all caught up at the end of November and the 2 that came in after will be installed next year. Dorothy also gave a flood update and the “community development block grant” and issues with US Forest Service Roads.

Dorothy proceeded with an update on the Hazardous Mitigation Plan and handed out copies of all updates she would like to see to the Resolution. Discussion followed. Motion by Gary Kabasa, second by Ken Wheeler to approve and move the Resolution forward to the full Board for action. Motion carried.

Jeff Beirl held discussion regarding what actions the Committee would like to see regarding jail expansion, HHS and moving the court system over into the law enforcement center. Motion by Ken Wheeler, second by Donna Williamson for Jeff Beirl to work on 3 – 5 plans laying out some options. Motion carried.

Kathy Schutte was present today regarding a “Stepping Up Initiative” program for the mentally ill. Money is not available yet for this type of treatment but Kathy would like to see Ashland County join the rest of the Counties that are on board for this type of treatment in the event money becomes available. Discussion followed. Motion by Jerry Teague, second by Ken Wheeler to adopt the “Stepping Up Initiative” resolution and to forward it on to the full Board for action. Motion carried.

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

The next meeting was scheduled for January 5, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. in the County Board Room.

Motion by Gary Kabasa to adjourn with a second by Norm Couture. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 11:37 a.m.

The Committee then went for a tour of the jail and had the same lunch as inmates.

Lori Schmidt  
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