

Public Property & Law Enforcement Committee Meeting
June 6, 2017 at 9:00 am
County Board Room

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

Absent: Gary Kabasa

Others: Jeff Beirl, Lori Schmidt, Pete Russo, Mick Brennan, Terry Barningham, Terry Schemenauer, Kathy Schutte

Donna Williamson called the meeting to order at 9:00 am. Motion by Ken Wheeler, second by Norm Couture to approve the May 9, 2017 meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Kathy Schutte was present today stating that on May 27, 2017 they completed the dedication of the park in Marengo and she wanted to thank those County Board Supervisors that were present for it.

Jeff Beirl stated that he was contacted by Thrivent regarding a "Little Free Library" that they would like to place on the Court House grounds. Discussion followed. The Committee is in agreement that they are in favor of having one on the grounds; however, several members would like them to come to the July meeting with a presentation.

Mick Brennan handed out the Sheriff's report for review and discussion. As of today's date there are 57 inmates, 14 on monitor and 16 boarded out. Mick has met with the State Patrol and District Attorney regarding the music fest in July to try to keep the jail from filling up that weekend. Mick stated that he had a meeting with a group regarding jail numbers for an addition on our existing facility. Discussion followed. The radios in the squads are almost complete; the Sheriff's Dept. has taken over the investigation for the fires on Oak Point 2 years ago. There were 3 Correctional Officers that were struck by inmates. A change at the Sheriff's Dept. – attorney's, visitors no longer come in on the Admin. side of the building. Mike Eron has been trained for drugs, etc. and will help officers if they feel someone is under the influence of something other than alcohol. Motion by Jerry Teague, second by Ken Wheeler to approve the Sheriff's report as given. Motion carried.

Terry Schemenauer was present today to give the CJC report. Terry stated the they have received the Bremmer Grant and that they were also informed by the Bremmer Foundation that this will be the last year for this. At the present time there are 30 participants in the drug court program and 20 in the TAD program.

Terry Barningham stated that there are still issues with the driveway and the HHS building, and that the lease ends July 17, 2021. Juvenile court referrals are down compared to this time last year.

Vouchers were reviewed at this time. Motion by Jerry Teague, second by Donna Williamson to approve vouchers for payment. Motion carried.

The next meeting was scheduled for July 6, 2017 at 9:00 am in the County Board Room.

Donna Williamson adjourned the meeting at 10:08 am.

Lori Schmidt
Administrative Assistant