



# MARATHON COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE AGENDA WITH MINUTES

Date & Time of Meeting: **Tuesday, August 8, 2023 at 1:30pm**

Meeting Location: **Courthouse Assembly Room, Courthouse, 500 Forest Street, Wausau WI 54403**

Matt Bootz	Present
Jean Maszk	Present
Bruce Lamont	Webex
Stacey Morache	Present
Allen Opall	Present
Tim Sondelski	Present
Jason Wilhelm	Present

Staff Present: Chad Billeb, Tim Burkholder, Ryan Weber, Sandra La Du, Deb Gleason, Christopher Brander, Richard Magray, Aaron Galindo, Teresa Wetzsteon, Ruth Heinzl, Michael Puerner, Phil Rentmeester, Laura Yarie

Others Present: Kurt Gibbs

1. **Call Meeting to Order** – Chair Bootz called the meeting to order at 1:30pm
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Public Comment**
4. **Approval of the July 11, 2023, Public Safety Committee Meeting Minutes**  
Motion by Morache, Second by Maszk to approve the minutes. Motion carried on voice vote, unanimously.
5. **Policy Issues Discussion and Potential Committee Determination**
  - A. Presentation on Diversion Fee collection practices and consideration of next steps in connection with 2024 budget adoption  
Ruth Heinzl and Marathon County District Attorney Theresa Wetzsteon gave a presentation on Diversion fees. A copy of the presentation can be found in the packet. Discussion was had, questions were asked and answered. Motion by Morache, Seconded by Opall to change the diversion fee collection method to Option 4 (Financial Agreement with County + Contracted Service Fees), and to move the proposed ordinance change to the full county board. Motion carried on voice vote not unanimously.
6. **Operational Functions Required by Statute, Ordinance, Resolution, or Policy**
  - A. Consideration whether to recommend the provision of continued funding for service contracts with nonprofits (e.g., Women's Community, North Central Community Action Program, and Judicare Mediation) in connection with the 2024 Annual Budget Process.  
Motion by Maszk, Seconded by Morache, to support this resolution and forward to the full county board. Motion carried on voice vote unanimously.
  - B. Consideration of Application for Grant Funding for Medical Reserve Corp programming  
Emergency Management director Phil Rentmeester provided an overview of what the Medical Reserve Corp is and the benefits that could come from forming this team. Discussion was had, questions were asked and answered. Motion by Maszk, Second by Morache, to approve and support for the application of that grant. Motion carries on vote unanimously. The grant will be applied for and reassessed in a year.
  - C. **Motion to go into Closed Session (roll call vote suggested), pursuant to Wis. Stat. s. 19.85(1)(e), for the purpose of conducting specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session, to wit: discussion of contractual service provision within the justice system.**  
Motion by Maszk, Second by Morache to go into closed session. Motion carried by roll call vote, unanimously.
  - D. Motion to return to open session (roll call vote not required)  
Motion by Morache, Second by Opall to return to open session. Motion carried on voice vote unanimously.
  - E. Discussion and possible action resulting from closed session discussion.  
No discussion or announcements

7. **Educational Presentations and Committee Discussion**

A. Sheriff's Office Presentation of Life Saving Awards

Sheriff Chad Billeb presented three life saving awards to Deputy Christopher Brander, Deputy Richard Magray, and Deputy Aaron Galindo.

8. **Next Meeting Date & Time, Announcements and Future Agenda Items**

A. Committee members are asked to bring ideas for future discussion.

B. Next meeting: Tuesday, September 12, 2023 at 1:30pm

9. **Adjournment**

Motioned by Name, Second by Name to adjourn. Motion Carried on voice vote, unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 3:15pm

Minutes Prepared by David Holcomb