

Criminal Justice Committee
Meeting Minutes
June 7, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM

Members Present: Dave Boggs, Ann Gill, Millie Dyer, Chris Balkema, Ken Iverson

Also Present: Ron Severson, Sandy Pommier, Karen Slattery, Terry Marketti, JD Flood, John Bates, John Callahan

A motion to approve the minutes from the May 3, 2011 meeting was made by Dyer, seconded by Gill. Motion carried.

No Public Comment.

Claims Approved:

Coroner: Motion by Balkema, seconded by Dyer. Motion carried.

Circuit Clerk: Motion by Gill, seconded by Iverson. Motion carried.

Public Defender: Motion by Dyer, seconded by Balkema. Motion carried.

Sheriff: Motion by Gill, seconded by Balkema. Motion carried.

States Attorney: Motion by Iverson, seconded by Balkema. Motion carried.

States Attorney John Bates told the committee that the State grant portion of the funding of the Juvenile Diversion Program, directed by Mitch Comwell, had ended. Bates explained that program is also partially funded by the \$5.00 court fees in which equates to \$18,000.00 per year for a program that costs approximately \$80,000.00 per year to run. The committee discussed the importance of the program and the positive aspects to the county by helping the program continue. A motion to recommend the matter to the Finance Committee was made by Dyer, seconded by Iverson. Motion carried.

No executive session needed.

Under Old Business, Sheriff Marketti asked the committee where he should start to request two additional correctional officers. He stated that he would have the need for the request if the current agreement proposed by the 911 Board was not approved. Iverson asked for clarification on the dispute between the two versions of the 911 Agreement. A discussion was then held in regards to the number of deputized employees at the Sheriff's Department and the reasons for the need to hire additional. Board Chairman Severson added that the county has more concerns with the 911 Board's proposed agreement than the retirement plans.

Coroner Callahan added that he was required to begin at the CBA/Elections Committee with his request for an employee hire. A discussion was held in regards to the committee system.

A motion to adjourn was made by Balkema, seconded by Dyer. Motion carried.