

MINUTES OF MEETING OF JUDICIARY & LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE
June 7, 2016
KCAB 2ND FLOOR COUNTY BOARD COMMITTEE ROOM

Members Present: Leah Blough, Greg Retzlaff, Boyd Frederick, Jeff Wamboldt, Mike Skalitzky, YIG Sydney Robson, YIG Madelyn Lacroix

Others Present: Kim Bueunig, Jeff Gentz, John Poole, Chief Deputy Charles Smith, Capt. Ken Weyker, Robert Riedl, Patrick Georno, Elliott Sussels, Patty Merrill, Deb Shimkus, Jeanette Dahl, Lynley Kapellusch, Jill Vernezze, David Stauche, Mikelle Miles, Denise Bell, Dan Wade, Carlos Gerena

Meeting Called to Order: 7:00 p.m. by Chairwoman Leah Blough

Citizen Comments: 7:00: Comments from Deb Shimkus 11008 67th Pl., Lynley Kapellusch 4208 Washington Rd., Denise Bell, 4223 29th Ave., and Carlos Gerena 7312 98th Ave. Unit G, included that they appreciate the pay raise, however, would like loss of holidays addressed concurrently. Loss of holidays is lost family time. Statistics were quoted of high mortality, suicide, divorce and substance abuse rates for correctional workers. The jail took the brunt of losses after Act 10. They need to use PTO for events such as graduations, weddings, etc. Staff put themselves in harm's way for the betterment of the community. Previous scheduling resulted in actual weekends every 6th or 7th week and holiday credits were given. They work their days off at straight time to cover for short weeks because they need full pay checks. Morale is low, workload has tripled, and many are looking for new jobs. They do not want to discourage voting for the compensation study and would like it to be passed. New pay is based on comparison with people who get paid holidays. Minutes from March 14, 2012 were referenced and quoted. They feel they are discriminated against by not receiving the 2,080 hours that everyone else is paid for.

Citizen Comments were closed due to time restraints.

Supervisor Comments: 7:19: None.

Chairwoman Comments: 7:19: None

Resolutions from the Kenosha County Sheriff's Department:

- 1) Probationary Cabaret License for Shadow Hill Ranch dba Country Thunder Music Festival

Motion by: Skalitzky **Seconded by:** Frederick **Approved:** unanimously

7:20: Capt. Weyker reported that County Thunder resolutions usually come to the committee earlier in the year. There is new management and licenses had lapsed. Liquor license has been renewed allowing the go-ahead for these resolutions. Premises were found to be in conformity with the Cabaret Ordinance. Next year they should be on an annual license.

- 2) Activity Control License for Country Thunder East LLC

Motion by: Skalitzky **Seconded by:** Frederick **Approved:** unanimously

7:22: Capt. Weyker reported that the bond was increased from last year due to increased criminal activity and the fact that they had to pull deputies off the road. They have almost doubled the manpower for this year. County Thunder had no problem with this and posting the additional funds.

They expect attendance of up to 35,000/day. Other operations are generally unchanged. Prisoner transport will be arranged. Supr. Retzlaff asked about the crime. Weyker replied that 350 – 400 underage citations are normal; however, there were additional crimes such as battery and hit and run.

3) Resolution to Approve the Recommendations of the Classification and Compensation Study for Corrections Officers

To Remove from Table:

Motion by: Skalitzky **Seconded by:** Wamboldt **Approved:** unanimously

Motion to Approve:

Motion by: Retzlaff **Seconded by:** Wamboldt **Approved:** unanimously

7:24: Blough stated that this issue has been discussed and more time has been allowed. She asked if anyone had anything new to ask. There were no new questions or issues presented.

Skalitzky explained that he wanted time to digest the information; receive input from many areas; and hear both sides of the story. He is empathetic to both sides. He believes in equality but needs to be responsible financially. An effort is being made by increasing salaries to try to fill the gap. We do not get everything we want in life. A position was previously re-funded. Some like overtime and some dislike. He will support this because it is a step in the right direction. He is sympathetic to conditions; adding people will help overtime. This is a good compromise and he will continue to monitor the situation.

Any Other Business Allowed by Law: 7:28: None

Meeting Adjourned: 7:28 on motion by Frederick; seconded by Wamboldt

Respectfully Submitted,

Donna L. DeBree