

MINUTES OF MEETING OF JUDICIARY & LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE
March 7th, 2018
KCAB 2ND FLOOR COUNTY BOARD COMMITTEE ROOM

Members Present: Leah Blough, Greg Retzlaff, Boyd Frederick, Jeff Wamboldt, Michael Skalitzky, YIG Anna Delisi, YIG Morgan Kolimaga

Others Present: Capt. Robert Hallisy, Sgt. Michael Weyker, Andrea McKnight

Meeting Called to Order: 6:31 p.m. by Chairwoman Leah Blough

Citizen Comments: 6:31: None

Supervisor Comments: 6:32: None

Chairwoman Comments: 6:32: None

Approval of the Minutes from February 7, 2018:

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

2017 Federal Inmate/Detainee Housing Revenue Report for Year 2018 Provided to Committee:

6:33: Supr. Blough asked if there were any questions and there were not.

Resolutions from the Kenosha County Sheriff's Department:

- 1) 2017 Traffic Control for Amazon Fulfillment Center, Recognize Revenue Earned and Modify Expenditure Budgets

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

6:34: Capt. Hallisy presented the resolution to realize Amazon revenue of \$29,071.53 for 482.5 hours, plus benefits, expended for traffic control. Supr. Retzlaff questioned the amount because it seemed low. Hallisy replied that the amount is based on different wages for different deputies; he is confident with the amount. Supr. Wamboldt asked if there were any issues or citations written. Hallisy replied none known. Retzlaff asked what happens when a call for service is made; if the assigned deputy would respond. Hallisy replied only if the call was an emergency; otherwise, they are there for traffic.

- 2) 2018 Sheriff's Department Authorization Request to Dispose, by Public Auction, a 1995 Mako 261 Boat, Trailer and Twin Mercury Verado 200 HP Engines

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

6:38: Capt. Hallisy explained that there is an ordinance whereby assets in excess of \$10,000.00, need approval for disposal or sale. He further explained that the KSD rarely uses this boat and that they have another boat. KSD would like to realize the revenue from this boat. They expect that the sale will be up to \$40,000.00. KSD logos will be removed. The boat includes two 200 HP motors, which were purchased in 2013 for \$27,900.00. Supr. Skalitzky asked if there would be a minimum bid and Hallisy replied that this would be up to purchasing. Wamboldt asked when the auction would be and Hallisy replied that this too would be up to purchasing.

- 3) 2018 WIOJA Multi-Jurisdiction Drug Task Force Grant-South East Area Drug Operations Group (S.E.A.D.O.G.)

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

6:42: Sgt. Mike Weyker presented the resolution for grant money to support the multi-jurisdictional drug task force, which includes Racine, Dodge, Jefferson, Walworth, and Kenosha Counties. The grant totals \$211,792 and Kenosha's portion is \$53,140. Racine County is the lead agency

for this grant. Grant money will support investigation costs; such as, informant information, drug buys, purchase of equipment, telecommunications expenditures, and overtime expenses. Retzlaff asked how this amount compares with last year and what happens if funds are not all used. Andrea McKnight reported that the amount is the same as last year and Weyker continued that the money is always expended; the grant amount could be used up by overtime alone.

Skalitzky asked for some examples of cases for the Drug Task Force. Weyker offered that a few weeks ago, a major person within the Gangster Disciple hierarchy was apprehended. This made a great impact on the heroin supply in Kenosha. There are many other investigations in progress. Their general practice is to seek higher members involved in the supplying of drugs. Retzlaff asked if any of this grant money goes towards prosecution costs. Weyker replied no, only for investigation and equipment.

Wamboldt asked if there is any study on the impact to crime if a major player is apprehended. Weyker replied that he does not know of a specific study; however, business does increase for other dealers. Supr. Blough asked if most of the activity comes from Chicago. Weyker affirmed. Retzlaff asked how they find the offenders. Weyker explained that this mainly starts with the street level arrest. They will provide information to work off charges. They set up controlled buys with these sources. This proceeds up the line. Retzlaff asked about Federal involvement in these cases and Weyker explained that they work with the DEA in Milwaukee and Chicago.

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Weyker informed the committee of legislation in progress; whereby, local counties will no longer receive 50% of drug forfeiture money. Currently, if any money or item(s) are valued at over \$2000.00, and there is no confirmation that it belongs to an offender, the money or item(s) may be seized. Presently, 50% of these assets stay with the county, and 50% goes to the State School Fund. Frederick quickly researched and found that both the Assembly, Bill 122, and the Senate, Bill 61, have passed this legislation. The bill is currently with Governor Walker. Wamboldt asked how much money this equates to. Weyker replied that this varies; however, for 2017, the 50% check to the WI School fund, was \$24,000. Skalitzky shared the concern that this money would have to be found at the County level.

Retzlaff asked who authored the bill. Weyker was uncertain; however, it may have been Kerkman and Nash. Wamboldt commented that this may result in less forfeitures because law enforcement won't spend the time to secure forfeitures. Weyker affirmed; and that they would not pay overtime for something that would yield no benefit.

Retzlaff suggested preparing a resolution on this. Frederick stated that he would check on the timeline for signatures. Wamboldt asked if Kenosha has heard from other departments and Weyker replied yes; all are concerned.

Any Other Business Allowed by Law: 7:06: None

Meeting Adjourned: 7:07 on motion by Skalitzky; seconded by Wamboldt.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donna L. DeBree