

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING
Douglas County Board of Supervisors
Wednesday, November 27, 2019, 4:00 p.m., Room 207C, Douglas County Courthouse
1313Belknap Street, Superior, Wisconsin

Meeting called to order by Chair Pomush.

ROLL CALL: Present – Samuel Pomush, Peter Clark, Ron Leino, Michael Raunio, Rosemary Lear. Others present – Dave Sletten, Mark Fruehauf, Tracy Ruppe, Darrell Witt, Jerry Moe, Tyler Edwards, Cheryl Westman, Committee Clerk.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Clark, second Raunio, to approve the October 31, 2019, meeting minutes. Motion carried.

UPDATES AND REPORTS: **Emergency Management** - Sletten reported closing out one remaining 2019 Hazmat response grant; installed new digital camera and purchased new badge tracking system for use at shelters. **Circuit Court Branch I** - Thimm spent time in Ashland County recently; thanked committee for recent approval of new sound system video teleconferencing equipment. **Communications Center** - Panic alarm system is 99% functional at this time; one new employee training now and another starting in December. **Medical Examiner** - Witt reported autopsies at 23 and case load currently at 210 for 2019. **Sheriff – Patrol Division** - Moe reported fully staffed through March of 2020. **District Attorney** - Fruehauf reported down one position due to Bork’s leaving - posting position soon. **Sheriff – Jail Division** - Edwards reported will be down two jailer positions in the near future. Posted position with 33 applicants; interviewing early December and hiring in January.

ACTION ITEMS/REFERRALS: **Reliance Systems proposal for upgraded telephone services to include voice/text/video and visitation system:** Edwards present – merit letter included in meeting packet as well as two new contracts. Updating equipment in the jail is goal. Reliance Systems has provided excellent customer service in the past.

ACTION (REFERRAL/RESOLUTION): Motion by Clark, second Leino, to approve Reliance Systems proposal for upgraded telephone services, and refer to Administration Committee and County Board. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Raunio, second Leino, to adjourn. Motion carried. Adjourned at 4:24 p.m.

Submitted by,

Cheryl Westman, Committee Clerk