

## **Public Safety Minutes September 9, 2025**

The meeting was called to order at 9:23 a.m. by Chairman Gari Lorenz. The members present were Greg Russell, Carl Orr, Brad Steiner and Tom Cornford. In person attendees were Sheriff Dale McCullick, Joe Morovits, Coroner, Sonya Lenzendorf Public Health, Nate Bremmer, Transition Team, Marc Myhre, Interim EM Director, Julie Cipra, 911 Coordinator, and Administrative Assistant Candice Erickson.

The meeting was verified as having been posted. Next meeting is October 14, 2025, at 9:00am for signing of bills and 9:30 am for start of meeting.

Motion by Steiner second by Russell to approve the minutes of the September meeting. The motion carried with no negative votes cast.

**Coroner:** Coroner Joe Morovits is working with the state trying to get speakers set up for the January Coroner's conference.

Motion by Orr, second by Russell to approve the bills. The motion carried with no negative votes cast.

**911 Coordinator:** Major bills this month were the Motorola bills for the new communication center. Work on grants for the new communication center are in progress. 911 coordinator Julie Cipra is working on upgrading contracts and signing grants.

Watson dispatch consoles have been chosen for the new center.

Julie is working on the 2026 budget and should have done within the week.

Motion by Steiner, second by Russell to approve the bills. The motion carried with no negative votes cast.

**Emergency Management:** Hazmat agreement with Vernon County will be signed next week at the LEPC meeting.

Received deed issue for WEM.

Command post is currently being stored in Bridgeport Fire Station. Dyesport is doing the decals for it. Working on a budget to put a camera on top of it.

Hazmat exercise grant – WEM paying for it. Jim Hackett is doing all the work for it, through an outside agency.

Direct deposits through the County Clerk's office. Has there been any more discussion or decisions made.

Motion by Russell, second by Steiner to approve the bills. The motion carried with no negative votes cast.

**Public Health:** September is Suicide prevention month. The color run is scheduled for 9.20.25.

Confirmed 24 cases of measles in Wisconsin.

Flu clinics run from September into October. Classes to help quit smoking and vaping are available.

**Sheriff:** There are currently 31 inmates in jail.

Currently working on hiring the new full-time male jailer. Hoping to have someone hired by the next Public Safety meeting.

There have been several cuts made to the LEC remodel that Sheriff McCullick was not aware of. Meetings have been scheduled to open lines of communication, and update everyone with a plan moving forward for the LEC remodel.

**New Jail Update...**

- Finishing skywalk this week.
- Site work high this week. New sidewalks were poured.
- Lume – trying to get two phone poles move this week.
- Painting continues, inside the cells
- Tile work being done in the public restrooms
- HVAC, fire suppression, and plumbing work continuing

Still uncertain as to when the street will be open.

Motion by Russell second by Orr to approve the bills. The motion carried with no negative votes cast.

**Adjournment:** Motion by Russell, second by Lorenz to adjourn. The motion was carried with no negative votes cast and the meeting adjourned at 9:55am.

Candice Erickson, Administrative Assistant