

## **Public Safety Minutes January 13, 2026**

The meeting was called to order at 9:31 a.m. by Gari Lorenz. The members present were Greg Russell, Brad Steiner and Sarah Nelson. In person attendees were Sheriff Dale McCullick, Nate Bremmer Transition Team, Angie Martin 911 Coordinator, Marc Myhre interim EM Director, Dawn Adams Public Health, Julie Cipra 911 Coordinator, and Administrative Assistant Candice Erickson.

The meeting was verified as having been posted. Next meeting is February 10, 2026, at 9:00am for signing of bills and 9:30 am for start of meeting.

Motion by Lorenz, second by Steiner to approve the minutes of the December meeting. The motion carried with no negative votes cast.

**Coroner:** Absent.

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

**911 Coordinator:** 911 coordinator is still transitioning from Julie Cipra to Angie Martin. It has been a lot for Julie to get Angie transitioned over. Julie's main goal now is to begin working on maps.

PCEP bills, 911 refresh, comm center and maintenance bills, and radio maintenance bills are included in this month's bills. The comm center bills will all be reimbursed at 90% by the state.

Crossing Rivers rented space at Prairie's tower sight for a long time. They will be removing their equipment and done paying to rent it.

Julie's tentative end date will be Friday, March 6. She will be working on tying up Esi net.

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

**Emergency Management:** Not much, just working on tying up end of year responsibilities. EMPG grant is still on hold. This grant compensates a portion of EM Director's salary. Getting closer to a resolution. Marc has been working through the speed grant, \$120,000.00 up to September.

Marc Myhre and Angie Martin have been working together on a plan for the command post. They are attempting to make it capable of being a mobile dispatch (mobile paging).

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

**Public Health:** Distributed the end-of-year report. January is radon action month. There are free tests at the Health Department. Radon is the leading cause of lung cancer in non-smokers, and second leading in smokers.

The flu is on the rise everywhere. COVID, flu A and B tests are all available in the health boxes.

Health department will be sending out newsletters; you can sign up to start receiving them.

Post-vention training will take place on April 9<sup>th</sup> in Gays Mills, from 4pm-8pm.

**Law Enforcement:**

There are currently 22 in jail.

The Sheriff's Department is currently being sued by two different people. One was a traffic stop, and the other was helping with an order by the judge, to have an individual's belongings removed from the premises.

Starting to hire for the new jail. There are currently 4 positions open.

There was one suicide this past month. This individual went into the woods and shot himself.

There was a traffic crash that resulted in one fatality between Boscobel and Mt.Zion. This individual was ejected from the car.

**New Jail Update...**

- Working on security ceilings
- Finishing up the electrical work
- All the cell doors are in place
- Installing glass in cell locations
- Dispatch has carpeting and tile flooring down.
- February 2<sup>nd</sup> dispatch consoles are being delivered.

The soft cost/contingency budget is depleting. There is a meeting planned next week with the finance committee and Kraemer brothers.

The policy and procedures were submitted for review and approval.

April 6 is still the target date to have the building completed. There is a lot of training that will have to happen within the new jail, and with the new body scanner. Anyone is welcome for tours if interested.

LE side of the remodel is a bit behind but not worried about it.

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

Motion made by Russell to move into closed session, second by Steiner. Motion was made by Russell to move back into open session, second by Steiner. These were cast with no negative votes.

**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