



Newaygo County Board of Commissioners

Public Safety/Judicial Committee

MINUTES

February 14, 2024

10:00 A.M.

CALL TO ORDER	Meeting called to order by Commissioner Paul Mellema, Chair, at 10:06 a.m.
MEMBERS PRESENT	Bryan Kolk, Charles Trapp, Paul Mellema
AGENDA - MOTION NO.	24-060
Motion by Charles Trapp, second by Bryan Kolk, to approve the agenda of February 14, 2024. Ayes – Bryan Kolk, Charles Trapp, Paul Mellema. Nays – none. Motion carried.	
PUBLIC COMMENT	None
MINUTES – MOTION NO.	
Motion by Bryan Kolk, second by Charles Trapp, to approve the Public Safety/Judicial Committee meeting minutes of January 10, 2024. Ayes – Bryan Kolk, Charles Trapp, Paul Mellema. Nays – none. Motion carried.	
LIFE EMS AMBULANCE REPORT	Jeff Stockhill, Life EMS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Stockhill supplied the Board with the Life EMS of Newaygo County Ambulance Response Summary from October 1st through December 31, 2023. Staffing has improved greatly compared to a year ago. The Newaygo County operation currently has full time openings for both EMTs and paramedics. Remain involved in the following local and regional groups and committees: LEPT, Child Death Review, both local and regional Medical Control Authorities which include Professional Standards Review Organization, WMRMCC protocol committee, and West Shore Community College EMS Advisory Board. 	
DEPARTMENT UPDATE	Worth Stay, Prosecuting Attorney
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not in attendance. 	
DEPARTMENT UPDATE	Adam Chiles, Central Dispatch
<p>The following updates were reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Training – Hosted the Module 1 class at the center in January. Five of Newaygo County’s Dispatchers were in attendance. Department Update – Approved for a KVM switch at each workstation. This will allow the dispatchers to go from three keyboards and four mice to one keyboard and one or two mice. Statistics – In January the center took 5,389 phone calls. Of those calls, 1,221 were 911 calls and the average ring time was 5.59 seconds. 	
DEPARTMENT UPDATE	Wendy Jarvis, Trial Courts Administrator
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Held walk throughs for the Court Renovations project and it was very well attended. Proposals are due by March 14th. 	

DEPARTMENT UPDATE	Karen Moore, Indigent Defense Assigned Counsel Administrator
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not in attendance.
MOTION NUMBER	24-062
	Motion by Bryan Kolk, second by Charles Trapp, to recommend to the Finance Committee the approval of the 2024 Marine Safety Program Grant Application and authorize the Sheriff's Office to submit the application electronically. Ayes – Bryan Kolk, Charles Trapp, Paul Mellema. Nays – none. Motion carried.
DEPARTMENT UPDATE	Robert Mendham, Sheriff
	<p>The following updates were reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There are new laws that are coming down, one being the “Extreme Risk Protection Order”. One issue with this is it asks for folks to turn in weapons before their day in court and if they don't the Sheriff's Department is responsible for retrieving the firearms. The Medical Provider in the Jail is not providing the service originally agreed to in the contract. This is causing a problem, and a new service provider is being investigated currently.
MOTION NUMBER	24-063
	Motion by Bryan Kolk, second by Charles Trapp, to recommend to the Finance Committee the approval of the Newaygo County Emergency Shelter Standard Operating Procedures. Ayes – Bryan Kolk, Charles Trapp, Paul Mellema. Nays – none. Motion carried.
DEPARTMENT UPDATE	Abby Watkins, Emergency Services Director
	<p>The following updates were reported by written report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hazardous Materials Emergency Planning Grant Program – On January 30, 2024, Newaygo County Emergency Services received the 2023-2024 Hazardous Materials Emergency Planning Grant. This grant provides funding to create and/or update SARA Title III, Section 302 response plans for facilities throughout Newaygo County. Safe Schools Collaborative Meeting – Newaygo County Safe Schools Collaborative was created in 2018 to continually improve school safety through a variety of collaborative planning, training, exercise and equipment efforts between schools and public safety agencies.
ADMINISTRATOR REPORT	Administrator Christopher Wren
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nothing to report
PUBLIC COMMENT	None
MISCELLANEOUS	Bryan Kolk, Commissioner
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attended the National Associations of Counties meeting and the National Weather Service spoke. The connection between predicting the weather and evacuations is very interesting.
ADJOURNMENT	24-064
	Motion by Bryan Kolk, second by Charles Trapp, to adjourn the meeting at 10:57 a.m. Ayes – Bryan Kolk, Charles Trapp, Paul Mellema. Nays – none. Motion carried.
COUNTY CLERK CERTIFICATION	Jason VanderStelt, County Clerk
CHAIRPERSON CERTIFICATION	Paul Mellema, Committee Chair
DATE	March 13, 2024