

Minutes of Meeting  
Sauk County Law Enforcement & Judiciary Committee

October 10, 2023

The regular meeting of the Sauk County Law Enforcement & Judiciary Committee was held on Tuesday, October 10, 2023 at 05:00 pm, in Room 213, West Square Building, 505 Broadway, Baraboo WI

The meeting was properly posted and all interested parties were notified.

Members Present: J. Deitrich, S. Carver, K. Schell, D. Scanlon

Members Absent: D. Clemens

Members Excused:

Others Present: R. Meister, G. Hahn, D. O'Rourke, C. Wastlick, Y. Neumann, R. Greenwood, K. Koback, J. Hoenisch; E. VanDenHeuvel, S. Benton, B. Miller, M. Screnock, M. Albrecht

1. Call to Order and Certification of Open Meeting Law

The meeting was called to order and in compliance with the Open Meeting Law was certified by John Deitrich at 05:00 pm.

2. Agenda

Motion by Schell, seconded by Carver to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

3. Approve minutes of Previous Meeting(s) Law Enforcement & Judiciary Committee

Motion by Scanlon, seconded by Schell to approve minutes from September 12, 2023. Motion Carried.

4. Public Comment

None

5. Communications

SCSD – Email from previous inmate and thank you letter to Sheriff's Department.

6. Review of 2024 Budget and Approve Expenses - Circuit Court

Motion by Carver, seconded by Schell to approve payment of the Circuit Court expenses in the amount of \$619.54. Bills discussed. Motion carried. No jury expenses.

Judge Screnock reviewed and discussed 2024 budget.

7. Departmental Update, Review of 2024 Budget and Approve Expenses – Register in Probate

Legal and psychological services are over slightly. Caseload similar to prior years. Quarterly report revenue is doing really well. Budget is over all doing well.

Motion by Scanlon, seconded by Carver to approve payment of the Register in Probate in the amount of \$85.24. Bills discussed. Motion carried.

8. Departmental Update, Review of 2024 Budget and Approve Expenses – Child Support  
Collections are same as last year. Finished federal fiscal year and achieved all four federal performance measures once again for the 9<sup>th</sup> year running. Eligible for full federal incentive for 2024. Budget on track.

Reviewed and discussed 2024 budget.

Motion by Scanlon, seconded by Carver to approve payment of the Child Support Agency in the amount of \$2,703.01. Bills discussed. Motion carried.

9. Departmental Update, Review of 2024 Budget and Approve Expenses - Court Commissioner  
Consistent with last year. Uptake with respect to criminal traffic is up. More temporary order type hearings. Used interpreter for the first time and it went well. Budget on track.

Reviewed and discussed 2024 budget.

Motion by Carver, seconded by Scanlon to approve payment of the Court Commissioner expenses in the amount of \$737.02. Bills discussed. Motion carried.

10. Departmental Update, Review of 2024 Budget and Approve Expenses – Clerk of Court  
Spanish staff interpreter is still pending, actively looking and discussions are still undergoing with personnel. Budget on track. Interpreter fees and travel is looking at going over in expenses but have had more state reimbursement in revenue portion of the interpreter program to help cover those expenses. May have more expert witness fees later this year with upcoming jury trials.

Reviewed and discussed 2024 budget.

Motion by Scanlon, seconded by Carver to approve payment of the Clerk of Court expenses in the amount of \$33,414.73. Bills discussed. Motion carried.

11. Departmental Update, Review of 2024 Budget and Approve Expenses – District Attorney  
Case filings on track for the year. Attorney staffing levels are in a good position and caught up on back log of filings. Budget coming in as expected.

Reviewed and discussed 2024 budget.

Motion by Schell, seconded by Carver to approve payment of the District Attorney expenses in the amount of \$576.79. Bills discussed. Motion carried.

12. Operations Update-Sauk County Animal Shelter  
Sheriff passed on a message that Rose doesn't need to appear at the meetings anymore.

13. Departmental Update, Review of 2024 Budget and Approve Expenses – Coroner  
On schedule for the year. Number of cases are increasing about 140 from last year, most contributed from hospice calls.

Reviewed and discussed 2024 budget.

Motion by Schell, seconded by Scanlon to approve payment of the Coroner's expenses in the amount of \$4,390.37. Bills discussed. Motion carried.

14. Departmental Update, Review of 2024 Budget and Approve Expenses – Sheriff

Current year budget on track. Hopefully the squads will be coming in November. Sworn in two deputies today for patrol & jail. Still in the process of getting the feds to pay more for inmate housing. Retire K9, Fedor, whose handler was Hanson passed away. Donations have come in for K9 and cages. New K9 handler is currently in North Carolina for training.

Reviewed and discussed 2024 budget for Sheriff Department, Jail Assessment and Drug Seizure.

Motion by Carver, seconded by Scanlon to approve payment of the Sheriff's expenses in the amounts of \$526,387.15, and \$15,782.27. Bills discussed. Motion carried.

15. Possible Resolution Approving a Request to Apply for Cooperative County and Ho-Chunk Nation Law Enforcement Program for Tribal Trust Lands within Sauk County.

Motion by Scanlon, seconded by Schell. Motion carried.

16. Next meeting date, time and agenda items

November 9, 2023

17. Possible closed session pursuant to Wisc. Stats. 19.85(1)(c) Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. Performance evaluation of Register in Probate. Reconvene in open session immediately following the closed session.

Motion by Schell, seconded by Scanlon to enter into closed session. Motion carried.

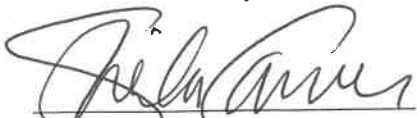
Role Call Taken: Deitrich \_X\_ Carver \_X\_ Clements \_\_\_\_ Schell \_X\_ Scanlon \_X\_

Motion by Scanlon, seconded by Schell to reconvene in open session. Motion carried.

18. Adjournment

The next regular meeting of the committee was scheduled for Thursday November 9, 2023 at 5:00 pm.

Motion by Scanlon, seconded by Carver to adjourn the meeting at 5:47 pm. Motion Carried.



Sheila Carver

(Minutes taken by Julie Hoenisch)