Minutes of Meeting Sauk County Law Enforcement & Judiciary Committee

June 10, 2025

The regular meeting of the Sauk County Law Enforcement & Judiciary Committee was held on Tuesday, June 10, 2025 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: S. Carver, D. Clemens, J. Deitrich, S. Pocernich, B. Peper, S. Alexander, S. Harris, J. Roxen, R. Cross

Members Absent:

Members Excused:

Others Present: R. Meister, G. Hahn, K. Koback, A. Olson, C. Wastlick, Y. Neumann, J. Hoenisch, L. Wilson

- <u>Call to Order and Certification of Open Meeting Law</u> The meeting was called to order and in compliance with the Open Meeting Law was certified by Sheila Carver at 05:00 pm.
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. <u>Agenda</u> Motion by Deitrich, seconded by Peper to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
- 4. <u>Approve minutes of Previous Meeting(s) Law Enforcement & Judiciary Committee</u> Motion by Clemens, seconded by Alexander to approve minutes from May 13, 2025. Motion Carried.
- 5. <u>Public Comment</u> None
- <u>Communications</u>
 K. Koback shared a portion of an email from a personal representative thanking her for all her help.
- 7. Election of Vice-Chairperson

Motion by Clemens, seconded by Peper to nominate Deitrich for Vice-Chairperson. Motion by Harris, seconded by Alexander to nominate Pocernich for Vice-Chairperson. Motion by Peper, seconded by Clemens to close nominations for Vice-Chairperson.

Vote: POCERNICH (2) Harris, Pocernich DEITRICH (6) Carver, Clemens, Peper, Alexander, Roxen, Cross ABSTAIN (1) Deitrich

Motion carried.

- <u>Review and Approve Expenses Circuit Court</u> Motion by Peper, seconded by Clemens to approve payment of the Circuit Court expenses in the amount of \$1,394.30. Bills discussed. Motion carried.
- 9. Departmental Update and Approve Expenses Register in Probate

Cases holding steady. Invoices are higher than normal due to the contentious cases they have. Budget is currently under for the year.

Motion by Clemens, seconded by Roxen to approve payment of the Register in Probate expenses in the amount of \$14,480.27. Bills discussed. Motion carried.

10. Departmental Update and Approve Expenses – Child Support Sara was absent. Monthly reports posted in Granicus.

Motion by Peper, seconded by Harris to approve payment of the Child Support Agency in the amount of \$1,674.07. Bills discussed. Motion carried.

11. <u>Departmental Update and Approve Expenses – Court Commissioner</u> Adrienne started yesterday as new commissioner. Numbers are consistent. Budget is on track.

Motion by Deitrich, seconded by Peper to approve payment of the Court Commissioner expenses in the amount of \$600.00. Bills discussed. Motion carried.

12. Departmental Update and Approve Expenses - Clerk of Court

Court appointed expenses quite large in May as they had a 4-day trial. Half dozen or so cases closed in April/May. Interpreter expenses down this month compared to last year at this time. Part of a state committee that met this week to try to find conformity on interpreter expenses. Budget is looking good.

Motion by Deitrich, seconded by Roxen to approve payment of the Clerk of Court expenses in the amount of \$62,567.67. Bills discussed. Motion carried.

13. Departmental Update and Approve Expenses - District Attorney

Case filings tracking close to what it was last year. New attorney started last week. Hopefully by the next meeting they will know if the ARPA position turns into a state full time position. If not, they will lose an attorney. Retirement on Monday for Shari Meyer. Budget on track.

Motion by Clemens, seconded by Roxen to approve payment of the District Attorney expenses in the amount of \$801.53. Bills discussed. Motion carried.

- 14. <u>Operations Update Sauk County Animal Shelter</u> Monthly report and financials posted in Granicus.
- 15. <u>Departmental Update and Approve Expenses Coroner</u> Reports uploaded in Granicus. Deaths are down about 11%. Cremation fees are down too.

Motion by Deitrich, seconded by Peper to approve payment of the Coroner's expenses in the amount of \$6,961.61. Bills discussed. Motion carried.

16. Departmental Update and Approve Expenses - Sheriff

Calls for service for last month were 6500. Offender days 1269. Profit on GPS monitoring was \$22,696.13. Budget is currently about \$2,700 to the good. Jail vacancies are causing overtime and that's around 83% year to date. Currently have 6 jail openings. Bed rental revenue is down around \$83,000 for the year. Patrol has 2 openings and interviews are set for this week.

Motion by Peper, seconded by Alexander to approve payment of the Sheriff's expenses in the amount of \$161,897.92. Bills discussed. Motion carried.

- 17. Next meeting date, time and agenda items July 8, 2025
- 18. Adjournment

The next regular meeting of the committee was scheduled for Tuesday July 8, 2025 at 5:00 pm. Motion by Clemens, seconded by Cross to adjourn the meeting at 5:29 pm. Motion carried.

David Clemens (Minutes taken by Julie Hoenisch)