

Meeting of the Juneau County Sheriff's Office and Jail Committee

December 4, 2023 at 09:00

Present: Howard Fischer, Judy Kennedy, Andy Zabal, Zac Board, Gary Pedersen and Elizabeth Geesaman

Sheriff's Office and Jail Committee Meeting was called to order by Howard Fischer

Roll call: Howard Fischer – present; Judy Kennedy – present; Steve Thomas – absent

- Motion to approve minutes of November 6th 2023 minutes made by Kennedy and seconded by Fischer
- November 2023 financial statement tabled
- Grant funded booking clerk position – We are currently in the process of getting two booking clerks through the Federal COSSAP grant. The committee discussed if we would need to do an amendment or an entirely new resolution being as we have already accepted the grant. This will be a civilian position and it goes through 2025 with a sunset clause. The change we are proposing is to remove one of the earlier proposed positions and add/change it to a booking clerk. This will need to go through the Personnel Committee and HR. Motion to take the requested change to the Personnel Committee made by Kennedy and seconded by Fischer.
- Vet – Humane Officer Kevin Luedtke advises that the Mauston Vet Clinic is closing as of the first of the year. He is looking into going through Adams-Marquette Vet Service instead. There is a new veterinary clinic in Hillsboro and there is a travelling vet who does farm calls in Wonewoc. Green Lake animal shelter would like a contract from us in order to move forward with them taking any animals from us. We currently lease 6 kennels from Weiss. There is also the issue of a vague definition of “farm” in our current ordinances. At this point there are no restrictions other than licensing and vaccinations. Proceeding forward the committee would like to see work being done on defining “farm” in our current ordinances, researching shelters and looking at what Juneau County has for needs in regards to a humane officer. They leave use of veterinary services up to the discretion of the Humane Officer.
- Set date of next meeting – January 8th at 09:00
- 9:57 Motion to go into closed session in regards to personnel. Roll call – Kennedy - yes, Fischer - yes
- 9:59 Officially in closed session
- 11:00 Motion by Kennedy to return to open session
- Motion to eliminate dispatch supervisor position effective January 2nd made by Kennedy and seconded by Fischer
- Motion to create lead dispatch position made by Kennedy and seconded by Fischer
- Adjourn

Next meeting to be held January 8th at 09:00

Minutes by Elizabeth Geesaman