

COMMITTEE REPORT

COMMITTEE: Law Enforcement & Courts
CHAIRPERSON: Don Zillig, Chairman
DATE/TIME: May 20, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.
LOCATION: Jo Daviess County Administrative Offices (Temporary Location) Former Galena Primary School, 219 Kelly Lane, Galena, IL

PRESENT – Law Enforcement & Courts:

☒ Don Zillig	☒ Dianne Allendorf	☒ Lynn Gallagher
☒ John Grizzoffi	☒ Tina Brandel	☐ Darcy Wild
☒ LaDon Trost		

A quorum was established.

Other Board Members: None.

Others: Kathy Phillips, Scott Toot, Kevin Turner and Jamie Watson

1. Minutes Approval:

- a) Minutes from March 18, 2024 Law Enforcement & Courts Committee meeting – John Grizzoffi made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 18, 2024 Law Enforcement & Courts Committee meeting. Seconded by Dianne Allendorf and motion carried.

2. Citizens' Comments: None.

3. Unfinished Business

- a) FY2023/FY2024 Strategic Goals and Plans – We have reviewed these in the past and have nothing new to review.
- b) Update on Courthouse Renovation Project Status – Scott Toot reported that the ground breaking is going to be Thursday at 10:00 a.m. Toot toured the courthouse on Friday and was told they are about 75% complete on the interior demolition. They were going to take the chimney down today but it started to rain. Toot took pictures that he will put into a slideshow for everyone to see.

4. New Business

- a) Discussion and possible action on the purchase of three (3) 2024 Dodge Durango Pursuit vehicles at a cost not to exceed \$121,662.00 – Sheriff Turner commented that we do have three squads for trade in. The cost with the trade in will be \$113,162.00. The money will be transferred into the fund 038 by June 1st. **Lynn Gallagher made a motion to approve the purchase of three (3) 2024 Dodge Durango Pursuit vehicles at a cost not to exceed \$121,662.00. Seconded by Tina Brandel and motion carried following a voice vote resulting in all Ayes.**

5. Staff Reports

- a) **Sheriff's Report** – Sheriff Turner reported that we have been busy. We had a couple of callouts for our tactical team. Sheriff has taken over some of the responsibilities helping out with Emergency Management. There are a couple of reports that will be due in the fall that he will probably need some help from Scott Toot and LaDon Trost. He will keep everyone posted. Sheriff gave an update on the status of the grant for the Starcom radios.
- b) **Circuit Clerk's Office** – Kathy Phillips reported that we did receive their grant money of \$64,789 and they did purchase the items for that grant which included a new AS400, some

computers and different items like that we are just finishing up on the paperwork to send back for final approval. Court has been going pretty smooth at the new courthouse. We are going to start our jury trials hopefully in August.

- c) **Probation Report** – Don Zillig commented that Jamie Watson was named the 2024-2025 Illinois Basketball Coaches Association Coach of the Year for Division 1A. Congratulations to Jamie! Jamie Watson reported that he has nothing new to report that hasn't been already and that everything is business as usual right now.
- d) **Emergency Management Report** – Scott Toot reported that Mike Simmons has resigned from his position as Emergency Management Agency Coordinator effective immediately and his position has been posted on the website. Right now Sheriff Turner is taking the lead as the interim EMA Coordinator. Tammy Cahill is helping with the grants.
- e) **Public Defender Reports** – The Public Defender reports were included in the packet.

6. **Citizen's Comments** – None.

7. **Board Member Concerns** – None.

The next Law Enforcement & Courts Committee meeting will be Monday, June 17, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. at the Jo Daviess County Administrative Offices (Temporary Location), Former Galena Primary School, 219 Kelly Lane, Galena, IL.

Meeting adjourned at 4:23 p.m. following a motion by Dianne Allendorf. Seconded by John Grizzoffi and motion carried following a voice vote resulting in all Ayes.