

Law & Justice Study Session Minutes
August 6, 2014
Commissioners Conference Room

Meeting called to order at 0805 a.m.

Present:

Commissioners Obie O'Brien, Gary Berndt, Chairman Paul Jewell, Sheriff Dana, Undersheriff Clayton Myers, Commander Paula Hctor, Kathy Jurgens with Public Works.

Short Platt issues for Vantage Boat Storage Building – Per Undersheriff Myers \$850 is good news based on estimated cost per Kathy. Filing fees included in cost per Kathy. Per Undersheriff can't pay out of boating funds. Per Undersheriff we didn't budget for this, but cost is much smaller. Undersheriff said not sure when to pay this and Kathy says no later than December 31, 2014 and the Undersheriff agreed. Commissioner Jewell said let's see, maybe transfer money. Undersheriff will advise Mike Zabransky. Kathy mentioned that the lease costs Neil has been working on with Public Works. Paul asked if the building is in use now. The Undersheriff advised yes. Per Kathy the lease started on June 1, 2014 so this is the date that will be on the documents.

Maintenance Issues - Per the Undersheriff, things are not better. Per the pass down the procedures are to reset the A/C on the roof. Undersheriff asked if anything can be done, contact the Contractor or have someone check into this. Commander Hctor provided a list of maintenance related issues that the Corrections Officers have worked on. Per Undersheriff we are running with 60% staff. We can have a one and half of the positions to do those skills that can do this and we can save some money if we don't have to Contract out, we pay for our staff time, maintenance time and contractor time. Undersheriff Myers and Commissioner Jewell discussed cost effective to have someone does these things. Commissioner O'Brien mentioned he spoke with Patti committing someone and Patti is in favor of working at this idea. The Undersheriff mentioned this would be our employee, not maintenance. Commissioner O'Brien questioned the term 'journeyman level'. It's unique. Undersheriff mentioned we are willing to fund this. Commissioner O'Brien's concern is if you can't fill a Corrections Officer now we look for someone for skill set and then run into the same. Commissioner Berndt asked if there will be a level of work (training) and the Undersheriff said awareness and high level training and the goal of this is Corrections Officer's not doing their job – that's the benefit. Hours are huge and we have workers with construction background. Undersheriff's solution is to hire a person with higher skill set and noted that the new position paperwork is not done yet.

Commander Hctor mentioned they can smell gas in one of the Annexes. Commissioner Jewell asked who installed the unit and is it new. Commander Hctor said yes, new. Undersheriff said that Patti would know who installed.

Program/Rec for female inmates – Per Undersheriff we are struggling with lack of program space for females that we are to provide them. Quote Commander Hctor received was \$350,000 - \$450,000.00 (for old Sheriff's Office downstairs). Commissioner O'Brien asked if that is the only space. Commander Hctor said yes. If we use non-secure section we would have

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to have staff and they would have to stay there and we don't have that. Commissioner Jewell asked why was this not in the \$10-12M? Commander Hocter and the Undersheriff said that it was in the plan and discussed with Matt way back. Commissioner Jewell asked how many females now and Commander Hocter said 18 to 20 females now. Commissioner O'Brien asked Commander Hocter if you are stilling using both sides? Can you put males in the old and females in the new? She said no. Commissioner O'Brien then asked how accommodating do we need to be? Commander Hocter said yes, we need to accommodate. We are working on solutions, this is one that has been on the table, and it's not the only one.

Elevator issues – Commander Hocter documented very well. Six weeks down. Commander Hocter stated they started on June 23rd and today is August 6th. Commissioner Jewell questioned the completion date and the Undersheriff said they didn't show up. Brad and Burke was in on August 4th and Commander Hocter has not heard back.

In 'Other Business' – Sheriff Dana mentioned an Alarm Ordinance. There are a lot of False alarms. Respond to alarms, high risk, run code and cost a lot of money. Per the Sheriff, almost every day we are going to an alarm. Commissioner Berndt mentioned that two calls then charge. Sheriff Dana said other counties charge and we are doing research on that.

Commissioner Jewell asked where we are on the locks. Commissioner Berndt said we found a temporary fix. Commander Hocter said we did temporary fix. Commander Hocter has to check with Patti, Mitch adjusted locks, got them working.

Commissioner Jewell asked where we are on Marijuana enforcement issues to get back to the board. Commissioner Berndt mentioned he spoke with Candace care and feeding – civil fraction, not criminal.

In follow up, per Commissioner Jewell, follow up on staff- he will deal with Patti again. The plan for elevator – six weeks not acceptable. He will see what happens.

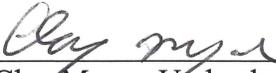
Don't know accountability of contractor. Do we have a system monitoring? Undersheriff said, don't think so. Per Commander Hocter, there are monitoring systems, maybe look into Bellevue.

Maintenance position – See some comparable. HR can do that work, see what we can do.

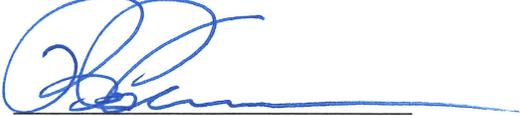
Commissioner Berndt mentioned he would like to see L Mod in the jail.

Audio Alarms cannot be resent remotely; all alarms go to dispatch first, per the Undersheriff. Undersheriff mentioned we will put proposal together for Ordinance.

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:15 a.m.



Clay Myers, Undersheriff



Paul Jewell, Chairman