

## **MINUTES**

### **Members Present**

Mr. Hess, Mr. Long, Mr. Liehr, Mr. Snipes, Ms. Parker, Mr. Fairfield, Mr. Darrel Smith, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Ekhoﬀ, Mr. Kenneth Smith, Ms. Peters, Mr. Swanson, Mr. Gowler, Mr. Carrico, Mr. Kerkstra and Mr. Wheeler

### **Members Absent**

Mr. Sirois and Mr. Collins

### **In Attendance**

- **Board Members**
- **Department Heads**

Anita Speckman, Tom Latham, Terri Goudie, Mike Downey, Ed Pentuic, Thomas Cunnington, Sandi Cianci, Eric Cavender, Bob Gessner

### **Media**

None

### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by the Committee Chairman, Mr. Hess at 7:30 a.m.

### **Public Comment**

None

### **Approval of Minutes: January 12, 2022**

**Mr. Gowler made a motion to approve and Ms. Peters seconded it. Motion carried with a voice vote.**

### **Judicial – Chief Judge Thomas Cunnington**

Judge Cunnington updated the committee on topics from courts.

Judge also advised that Kankakee County would continue to ban cell phones from the courthouse.

### **Circuit Clerk’s Office - Sandi Cianci**

- **Monthly Report**

Ms. Cianci provided the committee with reports, there were no questions or comments.

**Mr. Ekhoﬀ made a motion to approve the report, and Mr. Kerkstra seconded it. Motion carried with a voice vote.**

Ms. Cianci updated the committee on the progress being made with preserving the basement files. The committee viewed pictures of the basement and the significance of the project.

**State's Attorney's Office – Jim Rowe**

- **Grand Jury Report**
- **Grand Jury Statistics Report**

Mr. Rowe was not present for the report.

**Mr. Liehr made a motion to combine and approve the reports and Mr. Snipes seconded it. Motion carried with a voice vote.**

**Public Defender's Office – Ed Pentuic**

- **Monthly Report**

Mr. Pentuic reviewed the report with the committee.

**Mr. Kerkstra made a motion to approve, and Mr. Swanson seconded it. Motion carried with a voice vote.**

**Probation – Tom Latham**

- **Monthly Report**

Mr. Latham reviewed and discussed the report with the committee.

**Mr. Long made a motion to approve, and Ms. Peters seconded it. Motion carried with a voice vote.**

Mr. Latham updated the committee on open positions within Probation. Discussions were held.

**Sheriff/EMA Department – Sheriff Mike Downey**

- **Monthly Report**

Sheriff reviewed the report with the committee. Discussions were held.

**Mr. Fairfield made a motion to approve, and Ms. Parker seconded it. Motion carried with a voice vote**

Sheriff updated the committee on the effects of bill 3653 and the focus on the repeal of 3653. Discussions were held.

- **Animal Control Update**

Sheriff provided the committee with an update of Animal Control. There were no questions from the committee.

**Coroner's Office – Bob Gessner**

- **Monthly Reports**
- **Monthly Receipts of Money**

Criminal Justice  
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Mr. Gessner was present and reviewed the reports with the committee.

**Mr. Ekhoﬀ made a motion to combine and approve, and Mr. Kerkstra seconded it. Motion carried with a voice vote.**

**11. Old Business/New Business**

None

**12. Adjournment**

**Mr. Kerkstra made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 a.m., and Ms. Peters seconded it. Motion carried with a voice vote.**

Roger Hess, Committee Chairman  
Kelly Bylak, Executive Coordinator  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ulqO584pw6U>