

MINUTES

Members Present

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

Members Absent

Mr. Gowler and Mr. Sirois

In Attendance

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

John Coghlan, Randy Turner, Eric Cavender, Mike Downey, Anita Speckman, Ed Pentuic, Sandi Cianci

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: July 13, 2022

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

Judicial – Chief Judge Thomas Cunnington

Judge Cunnington was not present, but submitted a letter to be read regarding courthouse elevator safety.

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. Liehr seconded it. Motion carried with a voice vote.

Ms. Cianci commented about the need for handrails in the courthouse elevator.

State's Attorney's Office – Jim Rowe

John Coghlan was present to review the report.

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

Mr. Swanson made a motion to combine and approve the reports and Ms. Peters 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. Long made a motion to approve, and Mr. Fairfield seconded it. Motion carried with a voice vote.

Probation – Randy Turner

- **Monthly Report**

Mr. Latham was unable to attend and Mr. Turner reviewed the report.

There are currently 3 openings within his office.

Drug Court will take place on September 1 at 10:30am.

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

Sheriff/EMA Department – Mike Downey

Sheriff Downey was present to review the reports with the committee.

- **Monthly Report**

Mr. Gessner reviewed the report with the committee. Discussions were held.

Mr. Carrico made a motion to approve, and Mr. Ekhoft seconded it. Motion carried with a voice vote

Sheriff Downey commented on the collaboration with Kankakee and the Gray Key software. Discussions were held about the benefits to the county.

- **Animal Control Update**

Sheriff updated the committee on Animal Control.

Coroner's Office – Eric Cavender

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

Mr. Cavender was present and reviewed the reports with the committee.

Criminal Justice
Committee Meeting
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Mr. Ekhoff made a motion to combine and approve, and Ms. Peters seconded it. Motion carried with a voice vote.

Old Business/New Business

Mr. Snipes commented on fundraising efforts for a local resource officer that is battling breast cancer.

12. Adjournment

Mr. Kerkstra made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:26 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=9saV-w_2tpg