



Minutes - September 9, 2025

Call to Order: Chair Tillman called the hybrid Public Safety and Justice Committee meeting to order at 5:15 PM at 911 Communications Center.

Committee Members Present: Chair Tillman, Supervisor Knudson and Supervisor Whitledge; Cooper Buehl and Cian Hardtke, Youth and Government Representatives

Committee Members Absent: Supervisor Schwarz and Supervisor Rashkin.

Staff Members Present: Kevin Wernet, Emergency Management Director; Sheriff Fell, Fredd Carr, 911 Communications Director; Melissa Wittwer, Child Support Director, Judge Barbara McCrory, Dr. Rogalska, Medical Examiner's Office; Cristina Figueroa Soto, Medical Examiner's Office; Amanda Nelson, Clerk of Court.

Others Present: Joe Hardtke

Approve Agenda: Supervisor Knudson moved approval of the agenda as presented, second by Supervisor Whitledge. ADOPTED.

Citizen Participation, Communications and Announcements: None

Approval of Minutes:

August 14, 2025 Minutes: Supervisor Knudson moved approval of August 14, 2025 minutes, second by Supervisor Whitledge. ADOPTED

Approval of Transfers: No transfers listed for approval.

Review of Payments:

August Payments: The Committee has no questions on August payments.

Review and Approval of Resolutions:

Recognizing Kathleen Wishop for Service to Rock County: Supervisor Knudson moved to recognize Kathleen Wishop for service to Rock County, second by Supervisor Whitledge. APPROVED

Review, Discussion and Possible Action:

Review of Vacant Positions

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Clerk of Courts:

Amanda Nelson, Clerk of Court provided a report dated August 20, 2025. The Committee has no questions regarding report.

Sheriff's Office:

Chair Tillman states the County is in great shape as to Correctional Officers. There are three vacancies compared to ten. Sheriff Fell provided a report dated September 9, 2025.

Circuit Court:

Judge McCrory comments that there is one vacancy for a Court Reporter. There is a nationwide issue trying to fill positions for Court Reporters.

Budget to Actual Reports:

District Attorney's Office:

The Committee has no questions as to the Budget to actual reports.

Clerk of Courts:

The Committee has no questions as to the Budget to actual reports.

Courts:

The Committee has no questions as to the Budget to actual reports.

Mediation:

The Committee has no questions as to the Budget to actual reports.

911:

The Committee has no questions as to the Budget to actual reports.

Child Support Services:

Supervisor Knudson requests information on the \$560.00 officer fees. Melissa Wittwer states the \$560.00 is outstanding check.

Medical Examiner:

The Committee has no questions as to the Budget to actual reports.

Emergency Management:

The Committee has no questions as to the Budget to actual reports.

Sheriff's Office:

The Committee has no questions as to the Budget to actual reports.

Semi-Annual Reports on Attendance at Conventions/Conferences:

District Attorney's Office:

There was only one training over \$1000.00. The Committee has no questions.

Clerk of Courts:

The Clerk of Courts did not have any training events over \$1000.00.

Courts:

The Courts did not have any training events.

Emergency Management:

Emergency Management did not have any training events.

911:

911 center had one training event over \$1000.00. There were no questions from the committee.

Child Support Services:

There were no training events.

Medical Examiner:

There were no training events.

Sheriff's Office:

There were five training events over \$1000.00. Sheriff Fell included a chart with information about these trainings. The Committee had no questions.

Special Reports:

Sheriff Report - July 2025: Supervisor Knudson talks about the importance of the report. He states how people do pay attention to the amount of calls per month. Sheriff Fell will have an end of the year report.

Sheriff Report - August 2025: Chair Tillman states that traffic accidents are significantly down for the August report.

Committee Requests, Future Agenda Items: Child Support Vacancies

Next meeting date and time: September 23, 2025 at 5:15 PM at the 911 Communication Center.

Adjournment: Supervisor Knudson moved adjournment at 5:26 pm, second by Supervisor Whitledge.
ADOPTED.

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