

COURTS & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday June 16, 2026 – 4:00 p.m.
Howard Male Conference Room/Zoom Room

Commissioners Present: Lucille Bray, Chair
Bill LaHaie
Dan Ludlow
John Kozlowski

Others Present: Jesse Osmer, County Administrator
Sheriff Erik Smith
Kim Elkie, Central Dispatch Director
Rory Sherwood, Lead Dispatcher

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chair Lucille Bray called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

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ROLL CALL

All members present.

MOTION TO ADOPT AGENDA

Moved by Commissioner LaHaie and supported by Commissioner Ludlow to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

CHILD CARE FUND MONTHLY REPORT

Juvenile Officer Janelle Mott was unavailable to present the Child Care Fund report for the month of May 2026. County Administrator Jesse Osmer will follow up with Judge Black to see if the reports can be sent in quarterly or emailed monthly for the committee to review and to reach out to Janelle if anyone has any questions.

CENTRAL DISPATCH UPDATE

Central Dispatch Director Kim Elkie presented the monthly Central Dispatch update:

- The call volume and statistics report was presented as well as an additional report from the CAD system on all call types and how many calls there were from each category. The committee can review the additional information presented and let Director Elkie know if there is anything more or less, they would like to see.
- Central Dispatch has hired a new employee that has been training for two weeks and is doing well.
- Director Elkie reported she completed the 40-hour required dispatch training and is currently signed up for another 40-hour class on dispatch core competencies through the 911 National Association.

Moved by Commissioner LaHaie and supported by Commissioner Ludlow to receive and file the Central Dispatch update as presented. Motion carried.

EMERGENCY MANAGER VACANCY

County Administrator Jesse Osmer reported as of last Friday the county no longer has an Emergency Manager. Discussion was made on how to proceed whether reaching out to past applicants, doing a new posting, or elevating from within. Administrator Osmer will do a new posting for the vacancy. Moving forward an ad hoc committee between the Courts & Public Safety Committee and the Personnel Committee will be formed as the position reports to this committee but will also need to go through the Personnel Committee.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT QUARTERLY REPORTING DUE

Administrator Osmer reported that as the Emergency Manager position waits to be filled, there are still duties that need to be carried out. Discussion was made to offer a stipend to Director Elkie for the additional duties she will be taking on until the position can be filled. Funds can come out of the payroll section for this position since it is vacant and will have no impact on the general fund.

Sheriff Erik Smith stated he put together a memo that he will be presenting to the Personnel Committee requesting Emergency Management go to the Sheriff's Office. It may cost a bit of money but will be a better program.

Moved by Commissioner Ludlow and supported by Commissioner LaHaie to recommend approval of a \$500 per month stipend be paid to Central Dispatch Director Kim Elkie for the additional duties of the Emergency Manager position as presented. Roll call vote was taken: AYES: Commissioners LaHaie, Ludlow, Kozlowski, and Bray. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

ACTION ITEM #1: The Committee recommends approval of a \$500 per month stipend to be paid to Central Dispatch Director Kim Elkie while performing the additional duties of the Emergency Manager until the vacancy is filled as presented.

AMBULANCE FUND MONTHLY REPORTS

Chair Bray presented the Ambulance Fund monthly reports to receive and file. Moved by Commissioner LaHaie and supported by Commissioner Ludlow to receive and file the monthly Ambulance Fund reports as presented. Motion carried.

MEDICAL EXAMINERS MONTHLY REPORTS

Chair Bray presented the Medical Examiner monthly report to receive and file. Moved by Commissioner LaHaie and supported by Commissioner Ludlow to receive and file the monthly Medical Examiner reports as presented. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Commissioner LaHaie and supported by Commissioner Ludlow to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 4:23 p.m.

Lucille Bray, Chair
Courts & Public Safety Committee

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