

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF JUDICIARY & LAW ENFORCEMENT AND FINANCE  
COMMITTEES  
JUNE 9, 2004  
KCAB 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR COUNTY BOARD COMMITTEE ROOM**

**Members Present:** Jim Huff, Brenda Carey-Mielke, Terry Rose, William Michel II, Susan Deschler, Robert Carbone, Mark Modory, Anita Faraone, Mark Wisnefski, Dennis Elverman

**Others Present:** Ed VanTine, Dave Geertsen, Al Swartz, Sue Marcinkus, Dolly Brennan

**Meeting Called to Order:** 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Jim Huff.

**Citizen Comments:** None

**Supervisor Comments:** None

**Chairman Comments:** None

**Minutes Read:** May 12, 2004

**Motion by:** Rose

**Seconded by:** Michel

**Approved:** unanimously

A Resolution Designating the Joint Services Communications Center as Kenosha County's Wireless Public Safety Answering Point:

**Motion by:** Rose

**Seconded by:** Carey-Mielke

**Approved:** unanimously

**Motion by:** Faraone

**Seconded by:** Wisnefski

**Approved:** unanimously

Dolly Brennan, Communication Manger, and Sue Marcinkus, Supervisor, attended the meeting to present this resolution. Brennan reported that Wisconsin is planning to join other states and implement a 911 Wireless System. The system will be able to locate a wireless caller to within 150 meters of the call. When a call is received the name of the owner of the telephone, the phone number, and x,y coordinates of latitude and longitude will be provided. This will be placed onto an electronic map to determine location. Legislature passed Act 48 in 2003 creating a funding mechanism that meets the FCC mandate for a cost recovery system to pay for the implementation of an enhanced 911 system that identifies and locates calls originating from cellular phones. The funding mechanism is a three-year grant program. To be eligible for grants, a resolution of the County Board is necessary to establish a designated public safety answering point to receive 911 calls. Funds will also be available to us through a surcharge on wireless phones. All Wisconsin counties must provide estimates of costs to administer the program by the end of the year. These will be combined to determine a surcharge that will pay half of our bills and 100% of the wireless carrier bills to develop towers and equipment necessary to bring the information to us. Revenue from the surcharge is expected by early 2006. Supr. Wisnefski asked if the system would work for people from other states that are in roaming mode and whether the 911 call would come here or go to their state of origin. Brennan replied that it should not matter where the person is from; a call made in Kenosha Co. should come to the Kenosha receiving point. Supr. Rose asked about minutes from a previous meeting that stated costs are expected to exceed grant amounts. Marcinkus responded that all of the costs are not known yet. The Public Service Commission still has to specify rules. She stated that the County could possibly come out pretty well with reimbursement. Right now they are saying about half of any costs to implement wireless service will be reimbursed. We may also recover about \$109,000 of costs incurred to purchase the original 911 equipment in 1999. Brennan added that the equipment purchased previously that is for both wireless and landline will be

reimbursed at 50% and any equipment purchased exclusively for wireless will be funded at 100%. Supr. Michel asked if all counties are at the same point or have some already implemented the system. Brennan said one county, Waukesha, is expected to be operational by September. Michel asked if Waukesha has disclosed their costs. Brennan said that their costs would be much higher than ours would because they are much larger than we are. There are one-time set up fees and tariffs. Supr. Carbone said that this resolution does not obligate the County for any money at this point. This only identifies Joint Services as the point of contact and answering point henceforth allowing us to apply for grants. Future resolutions would be required to address financial issues. Supr. Modory asked if there is physical space available to accommodate the equipment. Marcinkus said that they will have to expand the Communication Center, however, presently they have no specifics.

FY04 Terrorism Table Top Exercise Grant

**Motion by:** Carey-Mielke      **Seconded by:** Deschler      **Approved:** unanimously

**Motion by:** Faraone      **Seconded by:** Wisnefski      **Approved:** unanimously

Lt. Ed VanTine presented the resolution because Ben Schliesman was touring with FEMA. Resolution is to accept \$10,000 from the State of Wisconsin Division of Emergency Management to hire a consultant to design, coordinate, and conduct a table-top exercise; to hire a temp to assist Emergency Management with the exercise as well as to pay for materials, supplies, and expendable equipment for these exercises; and may be use for overtime personnel costs associated with exercise participants. No tax levy is needed. This grant money may be moved to expend completely. Supr. Huff asked if this is for a follow-up exercise of the critiqued exercise in '02 or '03. VanTine said yes, a follow-up to the full-scale exercise that was done at the County Center.

**Any Other Business Allowed by Law:**      None

**Meeting Adjourned:**      6:55 p.m. on motion by Michel, seconded by Carey-Mielke.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donna L. DeBree