

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

July 14, 2009 – 2:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Chairman Wormuth; Supervisors Barrett, Connelly, Grattidge, Wright; Spencer Hellwig, Mgmt. Analyst; Paul Lent, Ed Tremblay, Emergency Services; Jim Murphy, District Attorney; John Ciulla, Public Defender; Press

Chairman Wormuth called the meeting to order.

Mr. Grattidge moved to approve the minutes of the June 9th meeting. Mr. Barrett seconded. Unanimous.

Mr. Ciulla said the Aid to Defense Grant is an annual grant they have been getting for a number of years from DCJS. He said there is an 8% cut this year, but this is work they do anyway, and he recommended acceptance of this grant of \$18,700. **Mr. Grattidge moved to accept this grant. Mr. Barrett seconded. Unanimous.**

Mr. Murphy requested acceptance of their Aid to Prosecution Grant of \$49,900, and he said this was also cut this year. It is designated for violent crimes or repeat offenders, he stated. **Mr. Wright moved to accept this grant. Mr. Barrett seconded. Unanimous.**

Mr. Murphy stated the Crime Victims' Board Grant of \$68,352 is from DCJS and is for victim advocates and offsets the expenses of that unit. **Mr. Grattidge moved to accept that grant. Mr. Barrett seconded. Unanimous.**

Mr. Grattidge moved to authorize the Chairman to sign the contract to allow the County to move forward with a Local Enhanced Wireless 911 Grant for the Sheriff's Dept. Mr. Connelly seconded. Unanimous.

Mr. Lent distributed copies of his July monthly report, and he briefly reviewed it. He said they received eight bids from tower manufacturing companies to provide the County with a 185' self-support tower to be used at the Mt. McGregor communications site. The low bid was \$41,544 from Allstate Tower Co. of Henderson, KY as opposed to the highest bid of \$149,894. He said a Board resolution will not be needed because the money is in the Capital budget, but it will need Committee approval per the County Attorney. **Mr. Grattidge moved to accept this low bid. Mr. Wright seconded. Unanimous. (Committee approval only).**

Mr. Lent stated the Fraker Mt. site project budget was around \$180,000, and the low bid received from Advanced Network Services was for \$121,572. He said this construction company has done work for us before. Our engineer has recommended acceptance of this bid, he said. This will need a resolution because it is a contract. **Mr. Connelly moved to accept this low bid. Mr. Wright seconded. Unanimous.**

Mr. Lent said last month, we talked about a DPW Mutual Aid Plan. In speaking with the County Attorney, he recommends that if this Committee approves it, he feels it should go to the Public Works Committee for review. He said we should be all set because he has been talking to some of the people in DPW, and then it would go to the full Board. **Mr. Wright moved to approve the DPW Mutual Aid Plan and referring it to the Public Works Committee. Mr. Connelly seconded. Unanimous.** Chairman Wormuth requested Mr. Grattidge and his Public Works Committee to report back to this Committee with any modifications.

Mr. Lent stated National Grid has completed 80% of the power line at Fraker Mt. He mentioned the Stillwater site civil construction has been completed, and this week the tower should be started.

Mr. Lent said next week, we will be implementing the new EMS radio procedures. We expect release in the next few weeks of several hundred new pagers, he said. We will be making a bunch of buys on new pagers to take advantage of the rebate offered by Motorola, he added.

Mr. Tremblay distributed copies of his Fire Services Report for June, 2009 on the Fire Training Center Use and State Fire Training Courses held. Hazardous Materials Response Team training was held. An orientation session was held for the Jonesville Fire Department members and for new members of the Haz Mat Team.

Mr. Tremblay said they went out to bid for the water supply system at the Fire Training Center, and Emerick Associates was the only bidder at \$21,783 which includes a three year warranty on the system. He mentioned \$40,000 was the original estimate in the budget. **Mr. Grattidge moved to accept this bid. Mr. Wright seconded. Unanimous.**

Mr. Tremblay mentioned he has four new applications for the County Haz Mat Team.

On a motion by Mr. Grattidge, seconded by Mr. Wright, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine M. Sodemann