

# MINUTES

## COURTS & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

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111 S. Michigan Ave., Room 200, Saginaw MI 48602

**Tuesday, August 6, 2024 – 4:00 p.m.**

Present: Jack Tany - Chair, Sheldon Matthews – Vice-Chair, Rich Spitzer, Mark Piotrowski, Christopher Boyd  
Others: Mary Catherine Hannah, Koren Thurston, Dave Gilbert, Jaime Ceja, Darcie Totten, Kelly Suppes, Rachel Horton, Mary McLaughlin, Lt. Mark Przybylski, Chris Izworski, Undersheriff Gomez, Suzy Koeplinger, Renee Sharkey and Catherine Hicks

- I. Call to order ---**Tany at 4:00 p.m.**
- II. Welcome/Roll-call
- III. Correction/Approval of Minutes (**June 4, 2024**)  
---**Moved by Matthews, seconded by Piotrowski, to approve. Motion carried.**
- IV. Public comment ---**None**
  - *Speakers limited to 3 minutes*
- V. Agenda
  1. **Chris Izworski, 9-1-1 Executive Director, re:**
    - **8-20-7** Submitted its FY 2025 Budget and Resolution for approval  
---**Moved by Matthews, seconded by Spitzer, to approve. Motion carried. (Board Report)**
  2. **Mike Gomez, Undersheriff, re:**
    - **8-20-8** Undersheriff Gomez updated the Board with the following information:
      - They are in the process of determining cadet wages. Discussed starting pay being \$1.00 less than new hires and beginning them on Step 00 until they are licensed/certified. They will discuss further at Labor Committee. Cadets must be paid a wage.
      - Discussion was held regarding the use of the public elevator to transport inmates. The west elevator will be inaccessible to the public. No more than 5 inmates will be transported on the elevator at a time. There will be 2 Transport Deputies, and 2 deputies on the floor to “catch.” They will begin dry runs Friday, August 9<sup>th</sup> and expect the elevator to be reopened in 4 to 5 weeks or when the inmate elevator repairs are complete.
      - The department has begun red dot firearm training. This allows for both eyes to be open when firing, preventing the loss of the ability to use peripheral vision. Marksmanship has improved. After the transition, any remaining firearms will be sold in bulk once the deputies, in possession of them now, are given the opportunity to purchase them.
      - There were 12 ballistic shields purchased. Weighing 11.5 lbs. each allowing deputies to use their other hand while carrying it.  
---**Moved by Matthews, seconded by Boyd, to receive and file.**
  3. Any other matters to come before the committee  
---Chairman Boyd discussed an email commissioners received from a former employee of the Medical Examiner’s office. It was decided no action will be taken regarding this email as the incident was 14 years ago and Saginaw County is not involved. Commissioner Matthews pointed out that the incident happened before any of the present commissioners were on the Board. The individual’s lawsuit against Macomb County is pending in Federal Court.
- VI. Miscellaneous ---**None**
- VII. Adjournment ---**Moved by Matthews, seconded by Piotrowski, to adjourn. Motion carried; time being 4:28 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jack Tany, Committee Chair  
Suzy Koeplinger, Committee Clerk