

Public Safety Minutes

April 16, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 1:11 p.m. by Gari Lorenz. The members present were Greg Russell and Brad Steiner. In person attendees were Sheriff Dale McCullick, Joe Morovits Coroner, Nate Bremmer Transition Team, Angie Martin 911 Coordinator, Marc Myhre interim EM Director, and Administrative Assistant Candice Erickson.

The meeting was verified as having been posted. Next meeting is May 12, 2026, at 9:00am for signing of bills and 9:30 am for start of meeting.

Motion by Steiner, second by Russell to approve the minutes of the April meeting. The motion carried with no negative votes cast.

Coroner: Busy month. A lot of deaths within the county. Tuesday, they had a flag raising that took place at the Administration Building. It was for the Donating Life, organ donor, program. It was very well attended. They will be holding it again next year.

Annual Report has been sent out.

Motion by Russell, second by Steiner to approve the bills. The motions carried with no negative votes cast.

911 Coordinator: The recent storms have brought much attention to the dispatch center.

911 Coordinator has been working on med flights, and the button launch.

IT is predicting about 3rd or 4th week of May for the move over to the new jail. They will move one station next week.

Motion by Steiner, second by Russell to approve the bills. The motions carried with no negative votes cast.

Emergency Management: Storms have been focal point of EM. They are predicting another severe storm tonight. These storms have covered a large area. Most of the damage was done to out buildings being blown over. There were approximately 4-6 power lines that broke, causing power outages.

EM and Russ went to Iowa County with the command post to show them, as they are contemplating on getting one.

3M off-site plan is not up to standards, as of last year. EM continuing to work on that.

There were two larger purchases, radar units and totes. Working on grant reporting for the traffic safety grant.

Motion by Lorenz, second by Steiner to approve the bills. The motion carried with no negative votes cast.

Public Health: Absent.

Law Enforcement: New jail hires – Chelsey Hoffmann, 9 years' experience, Ciley Schoenthaler – already works for us part-time, Dana Ruegnitz and Nathan Withey both which have no previous experience. Part-time hires, Danielle Brockway and Gracie Gibbs.

On April 21st there will be a jail tour, and Kraemer's will be providing lunch for our county board members.

Sheriff McCullick asked that our jail meal driver get paid half of his current wage during this transition period with the inmates. He has been very reliable and would like to keep him employed. The board agreed to the request.

Dale bought shelving for the new remodel on his personal Menards card. He paid all the sales tax out of his pocket and received the 11% rebate.

New Jail Update...

- Moved inmates to Grant County Jail on April 10th.
- Started owner training this week
- During downtime, working on getting staff acquainted with the layout of the new jail
- Putting equipment and supplies together
- Next week there will be 40 hours of security training
- Soon will start working on Huber in the old jail
- 5/12/26-5/13/26, Nathan White will be here for the jail inspection

Motion by Russell second by Steiner to approve the bills. The motion carried with no negative votes cast.

Motion made by Russell to move into closed session, second by Steiner. Motion was made by Russell to move back into open session, second by Steiner. These were cast with no negative votes.

Adjournment: Motion by Russell, second by Steiner to adjourn. The motion was carried with no negative votes cast and the meeting adjourned at 1:55pm.

Candice Erickson, Administrative Assistant