

PUBLIC SAFETY & JUDICIAL COMMITTEE
January 14th, 2026

The meeting of the Public Safety & Judicial Committee was called to order by Chair Joe Gonyo on Wednesday, January 14th, 2026, at 9:00AM, in the County Board Room and via remote access format at the Government Center, Green Lake, WI. The requirements of the open meeting law were certified as being met. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Don Lenz
Gene Thom
Keith Hess
Joe Gonyo

Absent: Sue Wendt

Other County Employees Present: Karissa Rohde, Deputy County Clerk; Matt Vande Kolk, Chief Deputy; Sheriff Podoll, Dave Cornelius, Communication Sergeant; Lori Leahy, Corrections Administrator; Mitzi Putzke, Paralegal; Gerise Laspisa, District Attorney; Jeff Mann, Corporation Counsel; Amy Thoma, Clerk of Courts; Angie Smit, Register in Probate; Sophia Walters, HR; Stefanie Meeker, Real Property Lister (remote); Jason Preuss, Patrol Sergeant (remote)

PUBLIC COMMENT - none

MINUTES OF 12/10/2025

Motion/second (Hess/Lenz) to approve the minutes of the 12/10/2025 meeting with no additions or corrections. Motion carried with no negative vote.

RESOLUTION

- Resolution Creating a Retention Bonus Program for Corrections and Communications Staff Within the Sheriff’s Office

Sheriff Podoll made an amendment to line 45 to strike out “of 2030” and replace it with “annually.”

Motion/second (Hess/Lenz) to strike out “of 2023” and replace it with “annually.” Motion carried with 1(Thom) negative vote.

Motion/second (Lenz/Hess) to approve the resolution with the amendment. Motion carried with 1(Thom) negative vote.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Reports found in the packet.

EXPENSE & REVENUE REPORTS

No discussion

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

- **Future meeting dates: Regular meeting** – February 11th, 2026
- **Future agenda items for action & discussion:**

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Gonyo adjourned the meeting at 9:08 AM.

Submitted by,

Karissa Rohde

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Deputy County Clerk