COUNTY OF KENDALL, ILLINOIS  
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE  
Monday, January 9, 2017  
Meeting Minutes

Call to Order and Pledge Allegiance - Chair Matthew Prochaska called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Member Gilmour, Member Hendrix, and Member Prochaska were present. With three members present voting aye, a quorum was determined to conduct business.

Member Purcell entered the meeting at 5:37 p.m.

Committee Members Absent: Tony Giles (excused)

Others Present: Undersheriff Harold Martin, Commander Mike Peters, Deputy Commander Jason Langston, EMA Director Joe Gillespie, Facilities Director Jim Smiley

Approval of the Agenda – Member Gilmour made a motion to approve the agenda, second by Member Prochaska. With three members present in agreement with the amendment, the motion carried.

Approval of Minutes – Member Gilmour made a motion to approve the December 12, 2016 meeting minutes, second by Member Prochaska. With three members present in agreement, the motion carried.

Public Comment – None

KenCom Report – None

Coroner’s Report – Written report provided

EMA Report – Deputy Commander Joe Gillespie reviewed the events, training and activities for EMA for the month of December. He stated they continued with the siren, StarCom, and WSPY EAS testing.

Deputy Commander Gillespie reported that he is concerned about the conditions of the Fox River and potential ice jams/blocks. He continues to monitor the situation and will keep the committee updated.

Sheriff’s Report – Mike Peters reviewed the Operations Division report, and Undersheriff Martin reviewed the reports for the Corrections and Records Divisions.
Commander Peters reported that the Sheriff’s Office and the Health Department will provide upcoming training opportunities for all County employees on crisis prevention and violent encounters.

Training on Crisis Prevention will be on January 20th at 10:00a.m. and February 24th at 10:00a.m. at the Health Department. And training for violent encounters (based off the “ALICE” model) will be on March 17th at 10:00a.m. and April 28th at 2:00p.m. in the Health Department.

Commander Peters stated that they are planning to expand this training to the public sector, and will be meeting with local chambers of commerce.

Undersheriff Martin reported that the Sheriff’s Office has received a grant from CVS Pharmacies that allows them to have a Prescription Drug Disposal Unit in the Public Safety Center. Drop off hours are Monday – Friday, 8:00a.m. – 4:30p.m. After hours’ drop-offs can be arranged as necessary.

**Old Business**

- **Update on Propane** – Commander Peters reported they are currently conducting an assessment of the proposal from Alternative Fuel Supply to see what benefits they might receive, and they have been reaching out to other agencies that use propane on their squads, and figuring out the cost effectiveness to maintenance increase. He said that it looks promising, and there just a few more details that need to be compiled such as prices and additional grant or subsidy opportunities. Commander Peters will continue to update the committee. Commander Peters stated that the price of propane would be approximately .30 cents less than the average local the cost of gasoline. The company would provide the conversion kits upfront.

  Mr. Smiley will ask Leopardo for a copy of their report for new Board Members Giles, Hendrix and Kellogg, so they can be up to date on the original proposal.

- **Update on Securus** – EMA Director Joe Gillespie said the contract was sent back to Securus but has not been returned, he contacted Securus today regarding the Video Bond Call and Visitation contract, and said when received, they will forward the contract to the State’s Attorney’s Office for review, and then present the contract to the Board for approval.

- **Update on in Squad Car Videos** – Deputy Commander Jason Langston reported that they are currently working with a digital patroller DP2 and DP3 camera system, which is updated and manufactured by Utility Associates, who no longer make the DP2 system, and the DP3 system has already become dated. Langston said with technology changes, there are more options available that are far more efficient and user-friendly. The new systems produce a better quality video, and can incorporate a body warn camera, if that ever becomes an option they want to pursue or if they are mandated by law. Those systems exist now that can run 4-5 cameras in the car, a body warn camera and can integrate with interview room technologies. Currently they are paying $1800 per year in a third party warranty to maintain the CP2 system. The Sheriff’s Office has met with Facilities and Technology Services regarding some of the upcoming hurdles that will need to be
addressed, such as cloud storage, Wi-Fi access points, etc. they have done some preliminary research to look at different manufacturer’s and different systems. The approximate cost for 28 squads would be $5200 per unit. The Sheriff’s Office will continue to update the committee.

**New Business** - None

**Executive Session** – Not Needed

**Public Comment** – None

**Action Items for County Board** - None

**Adjournment** – Member Hendrix made a motion to adjourn the Public Safety Committee meeting, second by Member Gilmour. With all in agreement, the meeting adjourned at 6:13p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Valarie McClain
Administrative Assistant and Recording Secretary