Minutes of the Kendall County Public Safety Committee Meeting  
Held Tuesday, October 22, 2013  
1000 hours

Present were Board Chair Matt Prochaska, Members Judy Gilmour and Amy Cesich. Also present were Sheriff Richard Randall, Chief Scott Koster, Coroner Ken Toffoy, KenCom Assistant Director Lynette Bergeron, EMA Director Joe Gillespie, and Facilities Management Director Jim Smiley.

Prochaska called the meeting to order and requested a roll call of the members. There were three members present creating the necessary quorum for voting purposes.

Prochaska called for the KenCom Report. Bergeron stated there is nothing to report under personnel. She stated they are at full staff with two still in training. Bergeron stated staff continues to work with the Kane County ETSB on revising the necessary agreements for an updated filing with the Illinois Commerce Commission. Bergeron stated that KenCom will begin dispatching for Montgomery Police on October 29th. She stated Director Farris is attending the Annual IPSTA 9-1-1 Conference in Springfield October 20th through the 23rd. Bergeron stated the Wireless 9-1-1 statistics for the month of September represented 76% of calls received and the statistics for September are attached to the report. Prochaska asked if they started dispatching for Aurora Township. Bergeron stated yes, that was done in September. Bergeron stated they started dispatching for Montgomery Fire on October 8th and she said they have had no issues and it has gone very smoothly. Prochaska asked for any other questions. None.

Prochaska called for the Coroner’s Report. Toffoy stated there were a total of 25 deaths for the month of September. Toffoy stated there were 4 autopsies performed for the month of September. He stated there were 124 permits for cremation for the month of September. Prochaska asked for any questions. Cesich asked where the accident was on September 15. Toffoy stated it was on Minkler Road. He stated it was a female driver and a male passenger. Toffoy stated the male passenger was killed. Cesich asked where the suicide was on September 25th. Toffoy stated he was unsure and would have to look that up. Prochaska asked what kind of cases would he do an autopsy without a toxicology. Toffoy explained that most of the time they do toxicology along with the autopsy, unless the findings are definite, like heart blockage. He also explained there are instances where a toxicology is done without an autopsy. Prochaska asked if there were any other questions for the coroner. None.

Prochaska called for the EMA Report. Gillespie stated that the KCEMA business meeting was held September 17th and Search and Rescue Training was done at that meeting. Gillespie stated he evaluated a Shorewood Active Shooter drill on September 21st. Gillespie stated he met with the Director of Public Safety and Emergency Management at Waubonsee College Plano Campus and did a risks & vulnerabilities assessment for that campus on September 24th. Gillespie stated they continued with siren testing, STARCOM testing and WSPY EAS testing the first Tuesday morning of September. Gillespie stated he completed the after action report for the flood. Gillespie stated to sum it up, the overall response was a great success; however the days following the emergency response is where there were shortcomings. Gillespie stated it really comes down to a lack of manpower. Gillespie stated there are areas that need improvement and
he has listed all of this in his after action report. Gillespie stated this report is for official use only at this point and not for general dissemination. Cesich asked if he gives an overall grade for the emergency response. Gillespie stated he did not put a letter grade on it, but if he had to he stated the emergency response would probably be an A and the recovery phase possibly would have been a C. Gillespie stated there is a lot of room for improvement. Prochaska asked for any other questions. None.

Prochaska called for the Corrections Report. Randall stated that the reports were attached, of which the following statistics were included for the month of September: 306 new intake bookings on a total of 424 charges. They released 352 inmates on 503 charges and 154 inmates were held over from the previous month. They served 13,684 meals. They served an average number of 456 meals a day at a cost of $0.86 per meal. He stated we conducted 17 visitation days with 309 inmates seeing visitors. The Corrections Division logged 5,018 miles during the month and transported 100 inmates. The medical staff saw 224 inmates. Randall stated there were 23 video bond call days with 64 inmates. Randall also stated the Corrections Division housed 124 inmates for other jurisdictions within the month and billed out $115,260.00 for 1921 days of confinement.

Prochaska called for the Operations Report. Randall stated that the reports were attached, of which the following statistics were included for the month of September: The Sheriff's Office had 627 calls for service, 1,061 officer initiated activities, 335 police reports, 18 felonies, 91 misdemeanors, and 87 warrants for a total of 196 arrests. Randall continued that there were 967 traffic contacts, 363 traffic citations, 7 DUI arrests, no Zero Tolerance, 33 property damage accidents, 6 personal injury accidents, and no fatal accidents for a total of 39 accidents. The Operations Division drove 56,191 miles in the month of September. Randall stated that Auxiliary deputies logged 31.75 hours for the month of September. He stated the total number of cases assigned for Investigations/COPS Activities were 21 and there are currently 56 open cases. Randall stated the COPS deputies spent 52 hours in area schools with the School Resource Officer Program.

Prochaska called for the Support Services Report. Randall stated that the reports were attached, of which the following statistics were included for the month of September: He stated that there were 138 papers served, 32 evictions scheduled with 12 cancelled, 49 Sheriff's Sales, and 88 FOIA requests filled. Randall stated there were 127 warrants issued for the month of September with 3 quashed and 21 served and 3,309 outstanding warrants. He continued that the total fees brought in by the Support Services were $38,833.66 for the month of September. Randall continued that Court Security had 14,791 entries, 7,026 articles x-rayed, 64 bond calls, 30 arrests, and 107 articles of contraband refused. Randall stated there was a total of 622 hours of training for the month of September. Randall stated there was one termination of a recruit deputy who failed to meet program standards and there was one resignation. Randall stated Deputy John Anthony resigned upon his appointment to the Illinois House of Representatives. Randall stated there was one minor incident of squad damage where a deputy was rear ended while making a turn into a driveway. Randall stated that the Records Department is making the move into the "old KenCom" today and everyone is welcome to take a tour of it after the meeting. Gillespie stated that although the paint was provided, they did have inmate workers do the painting in the entire office so money was saved. Prochaska asked about the bomb threat at Cross Lutheran.
Koster stated that it was a phone threat called in and is still an open investigation. Discussion. Cesich asked since PADS is underway what does the Sheriff’s Office do when somebody calls here after hours. Randall stated a call is made to the site that is open that night and personally escort the person to the site and actually to the door.

Smiley stated that they were supposed to start using the locker room over at the courthouse yesterday. Smiley stated they will be conducting generator testing for all facilities in a week or two. Smiley stated they were on budget with phase 1 of the records expansion with the exception of a few small items and he has the quote for phase 2 that he is putting together to bring to the committee.

Prochaska called for New Business – Jail Security and Access System. Randall stated he wanted to let the committee know now so that it is not a shock that the jail security and access system will need to be upgraded next year. Gillespie explained how the current 25-year-old system is working and the issues that they are having with it. Discussion. Randall stated the bottom line is that they want to have a study done to see what we need and what it’s going to cost.

Prochaska asked for Public Comment. No one from the public was present.

Prochaska asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Cesich made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Gilmour. All members present voted aye. The meeting was adjourned at 10:44 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lisa Bowen
Recording Secretary