

# Public Safety Committee

## May 30, 2023

**Call to order:** Don Tate at 6pm

**Attendance:** Don Tate  
Lori Nelson  
Theresa Boehm  
Julie Edwards  
Cody Brands

**Public Body Comment:** NA

- Sherriff McReynolds asks that one of the two speed trailers be deemed surplus to be sold. The county currently has two, Sherriff feels we only need one. The county paid \$2500 for them after trade in. Sherriff suggests the sale ad contain the wording “right to refuse” or “minimum bid” to ensure a fair price.

Cody Brands makes motion to recommend to the full board a resolution of surplus sale of one speed trailer possessed by the Sherriff’s Department.  
Lori Nelson seconds. Motion passes unanimously.

- Animal Control Vehicle: Brad Hudson, Animal Control Warden has received a quote from Leach Wilson for a cab and chassis in the amount of \$39,000. This truck is to be built on or near the week of 7/3/23. Brad provides the committee with copies of the original notice for bid submitted 2/25/21, Resolution 21-22 allowing for the disposal of Animal Control Property (2012 Chevrolet Silverado) signed by Chairman Robert Orman dated 7/8/21, minutes from the Animal Control Committee dated 7/1/21 with attention to Item #7 “Motion To Order New Truck Approved”; a quote from Bowie with specs to build a truck topper in the amount of \$22,160.00 dated 3/1/23. Current discussion revolves around where the current bid stands. There is concern that since the bid was let out in 2021, should the process start over again to obtain more current prices. Brad had received several quotes however; these have not come in the form of sealed bids to be opened by committee as required by law. Discussion also involves the actual type of bid. Is it legal for the truck, topper, and required upgrades to be bid separately or does everything have to be put out in one bid package. Julie Edwards states she will send email to SA for guidance. There is further discussion regarding how to assist Animal Control in adjusting his budget to cover the increase in prices as no one was able to anticipate the supply chain shortage that occurred during covid causing it to take 2+ years to obtain a vehicle. The possibility of using ARPA funds to cover the difference was discussed. Minutes from the 7/8/21 meeting were reviewed it does not appear there was a vote by the full board to purchase a new Animal Control Board. After discussion, Brad Hudson mentions that the cost of the vehicle in 2021 would have been below the \$30,000 bid threshold therefore does not need to go the full board for approval since he had that money in his budget.

Julie Edwards makes motion to recommend to the full board the purchase of an animal control vehicle. Seconded by Don Tate.

Yeah Votes: Julie Edwards, Don Tate, Cody Brands

No Votes: Lori Nelson

Abstain: Theresa Boehm

To ensure that bids or obtained legally Cody Brands makes motion to contact State's Attorney with current documentation to see what the options are for purchasing bed and chassis with topper. Should these bids be individualized or as a total package bid. Julie Edwards seconds.

Yeah Votes: Lori Nelson, Julie Edwards, Cody Brands

No Votes: Don Tate, Theresa Boehm

- Discussion regarding courthouse windows. Don Tate would like to work with SA Rob Hanlon to select an architect and move forward with window replacement project. Motion made by Don Tate to recommend to full board: Discussion and vote to authorize Don Tate and Rob Halon to find an architect (following statute 50 ILCS 510 Local Government Professional Service Selection Act) to draw up bid specs for window repair/replacement. Second: Julie Edwards. Motion passes unanimously.

Motion to adjourn made by Lori Nelson at 7:05pm. Seconded by Cody Brands.