

LAW ENFORCEMENT/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES

DATE: February 27, 2026

Call to Order: Meeting called to order by Supervisor Morris at 8:33 a.m.

Roll Call: Members of the committee present were: Dwayne Morris, Brandon White, Mary Roberts(Teams), Karl Zarling

Others present were: Undersheriff Jerry Haferman, Sheriff Travis Maze, County Administrator Michael Luckey

Absent: Corporation Counsel Danielle Thompson

Certification of Compliance with open meetings law: County Administrator Michael Luckey certified compliance with the open meetings law.

Approval of the agenda: Agenda approved.

Public Comment: none.

Approval of the January 23, 2026. meeting minutes: A motion was made by Supervisor Drayna , and seconded by Supervisor Zarling that the January 23, 2026 , minutes be approved as printed. Motion carried.

Communications:

- Undersheriff Haferman informed the committee about a post on Facebook on a thank you to Deputy Pleester for his help and calm presence on a car deer accident. Also, Deputies Schleis and Cavadias won the President award at the Chief and Sheriff awards banquet for their actions on a traffic stop that turned into a domestic. Dispatcher's Alyssa Mullen and Kim Peterson got recognized for their great work during the Pal Steel fire.
- Administrator Luckey informed the committee that the Red Cross had just reached out to him about designating the Fair Park as a secondary shelter.

Grants - Update of ongoing or new grants:

- Sheriff Maze informed the committee that the speed grant is for \$48,972 and it runs from 02/01/26 through 09/30/26. There are 4 agencies participating this year with \$8,812 spent already, 165 hours, 231 traffic stops, 121 citations, and 9 arrests.
- Hoping for the seat belt grant to be approved by the middle of March and no word yet on the OWI grant that was applied for.

Proclamation of National Police Week - May 10- 16, 2026

A motion was made by Supervisor White and seconded by Supervisor Drayna to send proclamation to the County Board. Motion carried.

Report from the Sheriff:

- Undersheriff talked about the Citizen Police academy that started last week. There

were about 15 attendees and there was good feedback. Medflight came and did a presentation for a new application to make responding better and more accurate. The kitchen supervisor was able to purchase 1800 lbs of pork for a good deal to keep the freezer full to feed the inmates.

- Captain Gray introduced herself to the committee. She is the admin captain and in charge of the detective division, support services, and drug task force. She spoke on how the department has 2 conditional job offers to candidates, Det Don Petig is retiring March 17, 1 more additional job offer coming in the future to cover that retirement, looking towards the drug task force sergeant retiring and working to fill that, and finalizing 4 patrol positions from the jail.
- Sheriff gave a shout out to Ryan from marketing on helping get the app out and noticed. There will be a new K9 donated from a family around Aug/Sept so that selection will be happening soon. Dispatch center has to go to EMD in June, so the department is working on hiring additional dispatchers and training. 2 were hired and the training is going well and 1 is starting March 9. The communication supervisor position will hopefully be posted next week as well with being filled by May 1.

Review monthly bills and financial items (November, December-preliminary): – The committee approved the monthly recap reports for November bills in the amount of \$ 217,372.10 , and December-preliminary in the amount of \$ 259,598.08 . A spreadsheet summarizing current bills was reviewed by the committee members.

Report on the budget:

- Undersheriff informed the committee that the department ending at 99.76 % on the budget and the current budget is well under. Looking at getting 5 more state inmates to help bring in some more revenues in 2026.

Review monthly jail and patrol activity reports: Jail and patrol activity reports were available and reviewed.

Discussion and Possible action on approving jail assessment fund purchases:

- Bills were presented for dish washer lease washer lease (11/19/25-12/18/25) for \$232.41, dish washer lease washer lease (12/19/25-12/31/25) for \$97.46, inmate instruction for November and December for \$3,600.00, charge part of 2025 Jail Medical Contact Expenses for \$1,902.26, and installment 2 of 3 for the jail recreation yard for \$50,000.00 for a total of \$55, 832.13 .
- Bill for helping to cover the cost of replacing the kitchen steamer difference not to exceed \$997.00
- Bill to repair the large walk-in cooler in the jail kitchen for \$11,695.74.

The jail assessment balance at the end of December is \$ 230,080.43 .

Discussion on potential items for the next meeting agenda:

None

Adjourn: A motion made by Supervisor Zarling to adjourn at 9:51 a.m., was seconded by Supervisor Drayna . Motion carried.