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## **INGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

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THE LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE WILL MEET ON THURSDAY, JUNE 14, 2012 AT 6:00 P.M., IN THE PERSONNEL CONFERENCE ROOM (D & E), HUMAN SERVICES BUILDING, 5303 S. CEDAR, LANSING.

### Agenda

Call to Order

Approval of the [May 31, 2012 Minutes](#)

Additions to the Agenda

Limited Public Comment

1. Sheriff's Office - Resolution to Allow the Ingham County Sheriff's Office to Enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Lansing and City of East Lansing for the 2012 Local [Jag Grant](#)
2. Controller's Office - Update on 911 Center and Related Issues (*No Written Materials*)

Announcements

Public Comment

Adjournment

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LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE

May 31, 2012

Minutes

Members Present: Penelope Tsernoglou, Debbie De Leon, Carol Koenig, Randy Schafer, and Vince Dragonetti

Members Absent: Victor Celentino

Others Present: Board Chairperson Copedge, John Neilsen, Sam Davis, Greg Harless, Joel Maatman, John Phillips, Jeremy Rhor, Mike Stump and others

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Tsernoglou at 6:05 p.m. in the Personnel Conference Room "D & E" of the Human Services Building, 5303 S. Cedar Street, Lansing.

Approval of the May 10, 2012 Minutes

The May 10, 2012 Minutes were approved as submitted.

Additions to the Agenda

- 4a. Substitute - Sheriff's Office - Resolution of Continuing Effect Authorizing the Ingham County Sheriff's Office to Sell at Fair Market Value, any Used Patrol Vehicles to the Ingham Intermediate School District (Appendix 5; Service Suppliers)

Limited Public Comment

None.

1. Ingham County Office of Homeland Security & Emergency Management/Sheriff's Office - Resolution to Enter into a Contract with Trauma Training FX, Inc. Utilizing the FY2010 Homeland Security Grant Program Funds

MOVED BY COMM. SCHAFFER, SUPPORTED BY COMM. KOENIG, TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH TRAUMA TRAINING FX, INC. UTILIZING THE FY2010 HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM FUNDS.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. Absent: Comm. Celentino

2. Sheriff's Office
  - a. Resolution of Continuing Effect Authorizing the Ingham County Sheriff's Office to Sell at Fair Market Value, any Used Patrol Vehicles to the Ingham Intermediate School District

MOVED BY COMM. DRAGONETTI, SUPPORTED BY COMM. SCHAFFER, TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION OF CONTINUING EFFECT AUTHORIZING THE INGHAM COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE TO SELL AT FAIR MARKET VALUE, ANY USED PATROL VEHICLES TO THE INGHAM INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. Absent: Comm. Celentino

- b. Resolution to Approve the Expanded County Wide Booking System Project Budget and to Authorize Contracts

MOVED BY COMM. DRAGONETTI, SUPPORTED BY COMM. SCHAFER, TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE EXPANDED COUNTY WIDE BOOKING SYSTEM PROJECT BUDGET AND TO AUTHORIZE CONTRACTS.

Comm. Schafer asked how this came about. Major Maatman described the five booking agencies in Ingham County and their different booking systems in addition to the travel between the agencies. He noted the County applied for and received a grant and the money will be used for this system. The system will allow for a one-time booking process and provide accountability of the inmates. Chief Harless added that it will reduce errors then reiterated that the system will track the inmates. Comm. Schafer asked if this would save hundreds of thousands of dollars. Chief Harless answered yes. Comm. Schafer asked if this gives the agencies the ability to share information. Chief Harless answered yes.

Board Chairperson Copedge asked if the VisionAIR access concerns have been resolved. Major Maatman explained that was an issue with 911; however, many of the problems have been addressed and there will be no additional costs to solve the problems.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. Absent: Comm. Celentino

- c. Presentation on Proposed Managed Inmate Video Visitation Program from the Ingham County Sheriffs Office and Securus.

Major Davis introduced John Phillips, Jeremy Rhor and Mike Stump. Mr. Phillips explained the enhanced Inmate Video technology and the benefits of its use in jails. He noted that recent studies have shown recidivism goes down when inmates are allowed visitation with friends and family. Comm. Tsernoglou asked if the study was based on video visitation. Mr. Philips stated it was in-person visitation.

Mr. Phillips explained that Securus bears the cost of the equipment and the County receives revenue sharing much like the telephone service provided. He noted that the system can be used for more applications giving the examples of commissary ordering and sick calls. Furthermore, the system will lower the work load during facility visits and the possibility of contraband infiltration. Comm. Schafer asked where the units will be placed. Major Davis stated the Jail Post (inmates) and Human Services Building (friends/family). He explained the desire to reduce the burden of traveling to Mason for friends and families. He described the Jail visitation process and expressed his concern of inmate movement. He noted the system may be used for video arraignment. Major Davis stated this will create efficiency for the Courts as well as cost savings associated with transportation.

Comm. Tsernoglou questioned the confidentiality between the attorneys and their clients. Major Davis stated that attorney/client visitation is not recorded. Comm. Koenig asked if other equipment is currently available for arraignments. Major Davis answered yes, however, they are in high use and there is a backlog; this will reduce the backlog. The Committee discussed various uses for the equipment. Chief Harless explained the Judges prefer to keep the inmates in the Jail and use the video. Comm. Tsernoglou asked if the attorneys still have the ability to meet the inmate in person. Chief Harless answered yes. Comm. Dragonetti asked if the County will be charged for using the units. Chief Harless explained the revenues are generated through the inmates and it is complimentary to the Courts.

Comm. De Leon asked if the units are being leased or purchased. Mr. Phillips explained the service is hosted. Comm. De Leon asked if technology improves how adjustments are made to the system. Mr. Phillips explained enhancements are typically forwarded to the customer and new services would be re-evaluated. Comm. Koenig expressed her concern that the price point is competitive and affordable to the inmates' families, in addition to, the duration of the contract taking into consideration the acceleration of technology and changing costs. The Committee discussed the costs of phone calls, emails and video visitations. Mr. Rhor explained the costs are six to ten times higher for the video versus a telephone call, plus, there is required level of security to maintain. He agreed technology evolves at a rapid pace and that has allowed them to provide this system to the County. Mr. Phillips stated they are willing to explore the language in the contract to be cost effective for both parties. Mr. Rhor reminded the Committee that Securus is investing in the equipment and bearing the full cost over time, therefore, they may not be the cheapest. Mr. Neilsen explained that the County had asked for a proposal where the County was not putting money up front.

Comm. Schafer stated he is excited about the proposal and would like to proceed. He complimented the Sheriff's Department for the work they have done, as well as, Major Davis' Department for their initiatives. Major Davis thanked the Commissioners for being supportive and stated it is important to ensure the safety of the public and inmates as well as keeping current. Major Davis provided examples of people visiting inmates and the inabilities to visit because of time or costs. Comm. Dragonetti asked how often it is anticipated the units will be used. Mr. Phillips stated based on marketing research it is projected at one visit per month per inmate and any less it will not be cost effective. Comm. Koenig asked if other vendors were contacted. Major Davis stated there were other presentations and Securus was the best.

Mr. Rhor provided a demonstration of the system pointing out the security features. Major Davis explained the staff will monitor visits, record and flag inappropriate behavior. In addition, the system will allow for an expanded visitation schedule that will include Sundays plus schedule or reschedule a visit. Comm. Tsernoglou asked if friends and family have the ability to schedule a visitation. Mr. Phillips answered yes.

Comm. Koenig stated she was pleased this will save on transportation costs and provide security. Comm. Schafer echoed Comm. Koenig.

Comm. Tsernoglou thanked the gentlemen from Securus for their presentation and asked them to work on the contract language with staff. Mr. Phillips agreed and suggested the following: Should Ingham County find that the price point of the market place is no longer appropriate or competitive the County reserves the right to renegotiate and if Ingham County will no longer use the service they will pay an amortized amount for the equipment. He noted that is a general statement and the language will need to be worked on with both parties and their attorneys.

- d. Resolution to Authorize an Amendment of the Current Contract with Securus Technologies to Install a Managed Inmate Video Visitation System

MOVED BY COMM. SCHAFER, SUPPORTED BY COMM. DRAGONETTI, TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE AN AMENDMENT OF THE CURRENT CONTRACT WITH SECURUS TECHNOLOGIES TO INSTALL A MANAGED INMATE VIDEO VISITATION SYSTEM.

The Committee asked Mr. Neilsen to amend the contract to reflect the possible changes in costs to Securus resulting in savings to the County throughout the term of the contract. Mr. Neilsen stated he will work on the language with the County Attorney and Securus.

Comm. De Leon asked that Mr. Neilsen please share the revised contract language with the Committee. Mr. Neilsen stated the intent is to have the contract language by the June 12, 2012 meeting.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. Absent: Comm. Celentino

3. Commissioner Dragonetti - Discussion Item: Panhandlers on Highway Exits

Comm. Dragonetti stated he asked for this discussion because of his concern for the safety of both the constituents and the panhandlers. He noted that there has been an increase in panhandling and has seen where traffic accidents have almost occurred during peak travel times. He asked if anyone on the Committee has heard other concerns. Comm. De Leon noted that typically the panhandlers are in the State Highway Right-of-Way and questioned who has jurisdiction. Comm. Koenig stated this is not a County issue and typically the cities or townships take action. Mr. Neilsen questioned if the Sheriff has authority. Major Maatman stated that it is against the law to actively beg.

4. Controller's Office
  - a. Resolution Adopting the Ingham County 911 Service Plan

MOVED BY COMM. SCHAFER, SUPPORTED BY COMM. DRAGONETTI, TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE INGHAM COUNTY 911 SERVICE PLAN.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. Absent: Comm. Celentino

b. Update on 911 Center (*No Materials*)

Mr. Neilsen informed the Committee that the opening of the 911 Center will be delayed because of a problem with Livingston County's fiber connection. He explained the interruption over the Memorial Day Weekend and the vendors are currently trouble shooting the problem. He noted that the delay was not caused by the vendor contracted by Ingham County. Mr. Neilsen stated this would not affect the scheduled Ribbon Cutting Ceremony.

Mr. Neilsen stated he will update the Committee as soon as he has a date for the opening of the 911 Center.

Comm. Tsernoglou asked Mr. Neilsen if there has been any communication with Eaton and Clinton Counties about their millages and surcharges for 911 services. Mr. Neilsen explained that the County is currently gathering information regarding the communities who receive the services in order to provide a practical charge. He noted that progress is a bit slower than he would like nonetheless there will be an update at the next meeting.

Announcements

None.

Public Comment

None.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Buckmaster

**JUNE 14, 2012 LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENDA  
STAFF REVIEW SUMMARY**

**RESOLUTION ACTION ITEMS:**

**The Deputy Controller is recommending approval of the following resolutions:**

1. *Sheriff's Office - Resolution to Allow the Ingham County Sheriff's Office to Enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Lansing and City of East Lansing for the 2012 Local Jag Grant*

This resolution would authorize entering into the Interlocal agreement between Ingham County, the City of Lansing and the City of East Lansing to accept the \$110,643.00 allocated portion of the 2012 Local JAG grant. The County would not receive any funds under the proposed 2012 JAG grant, however the County is still being asked to enter into this agreement.

**This portion of the agenda is for informational purposes:**

*Update on the Consolidated 911 Center Project*

**Agenda Item 1**

**TO:** Law Enforcement Committee  
Finance Committee

**FROM:** Major Joel Maatman

**DATE:** June 1, 2012

**RE:** 2012 Local JAG Grant

This is a resolution requesting the Ingham County Sheriff's Office, be allowed to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Lansing and City of East Lansing for the 2012 Local JAG Grant.



Introduced by the Law Enforcement and Finance Committees of the:

**INGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**RESOLUTION TO ALLOW THE INGHAM COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE TO ENTER INTO AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF LANSING AND CITY OF EAST LANSING FOR THE 2012 LOCAL JAG GRANT**

WHEREAS, the City of Lansing Police Department, City of East Lansing Police Department and the Ingham County Sheriff's Office was allocated \$110,643.00 from the 2012 Local JAG grant from the Department of Justice; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lansing is the fiduciary of this grant; and

WHEREAS, the Ingham County Sheriff's Office portion allocated from this grant is \$0.00 for 2012 due to a lack of violent crime data for 2011; and

WHEREAS, part of the application process to receive this funding from the 2012 Local JAG grant, the Ingham County Sheriff's Office must enter into a Interlocal agreement with the City of Lansing and East Lansing, allowing for disbursement of allocated funds to both government police agencies.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners authorizes entering into the Interlocal agreement between Ingham County, the City of Lansing and the City of East Lansing to accept the \$110,643.00 allocated portion of the 2012 Local JAG grant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Board Chairperson, County Clerk and Sheriff to sign any necessary contract documents that are consistent with this resolution and approved as to form by the County Attorney.