

**JUSTICE COMMITTEE  
MINUTES  
DECEMBER 9, 2008**

The Justice Committee met on Tuesday, December 9, 2008 in the Committee Room, located on the second floor of the Administration Building beginning at 1:45 p.m. Mr. Banning, Committee Chairman presided.

Members Attending:

William B. Banning, Sr., Chairman  
George H. Smokey Davis  
William C. Billy Derrick

James E. Kinard, Jr., V Chairman  
\*Bobby C. Keisler

\*Mr. Keisler arrived while the meeting was in session.

Also attending: Katherine Hubbard, County Administrator; Joe Mergo, Deputy County Administrator; Larry Porth, Finance Director/Assistant County Administrator; other staff members, citizens of the county and representatives of the media.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, a copy of the agenda was sent to radio and TV stations, newspapers, and posted on the bulletin board located in the lobby of the County Administration Building.

**11<sup>th</sup> Circuit Law Enforcement Network Grant Award (Goal 3) - Sheriff's Department -**

**Col. Allan Paavel** - Col. Paavel presented a request to accept the 11<sup>th</sup> Circuit Law Enforcement Network Grant Award in the amount of \$24,000. There is no County match. The Law Enforcement Network Traffic Support Team will be allocated 75 percent (\$18,000) and the remaining 25 percent (\$6,000) is mandated to be used by the Host Agency, the Sheriff's Department, for the same purpose. The funds will be used to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of traffic enforcement units.

A motion was made by Mr. Kinard, seconded by Mr. Derrick to recommend to full Council to approve the acceptance of the 11<sup>th</sup> Circuit Law Enforcement Network Grant Award.

The vote was in favor. Mr. Keisler was not present at the time the vote was taken.

**Courthouse Security Grant Application (Goal 3) - Sheriff's Department - Col. Allan Paavel** - Col.

Paavel presented an application for the Courthouse Security Grant in the amount of \$233,150. The County match is 25 percent (\$58,287) which will be budgeted in the Sheriff's Department FY 2009-10 budget, within their millage. The grant is to enhance the current court security by installing video cameras throughout the courthouse, proximity card readers for access doors, an x-ray package scanner, and magnetometers. There is no sunset clause attached to the grant.

A motion was made by Mr. Derrick, seconded by Mr. Kinard to recommend to full Council to approve staff's recommendation to apply for the Courthouse Security Grant.

The vote was in favor. Mr. Keisler was not present at the time the vote was taken.

**Crime Scene Investigative Unit Grant Application (Goal 3) - Sheriff's Department - Col. Allan Paavel** - Col. Paavel presented an application for the Crime Scene Investigative Unit Grant in the amount of \$171,888. The County match is 25 percent (\$42,972) which will be budgeted in the Sheriff's Department FY 2009-10 budget, within their millage. The application is for a third year of funding for two CSI officers, operational cost and the purchase of capital items. There is no sunset clause attached to the grant.

A motion was made by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Kinard to recommend to full Council to approve staff's recommendation to submit the Crime Scene Investigative Unit Grant application.

The vote was in favor. Mr. Keisler was not present at the time the vote was taken.

**School Resource Officers Grant Application (Goal 3) - Sheriff's Department - Col. Allan Paavel** - Col. Paavel presented an application for the School Resource Officers Grant in the amount of \$251,375. There is a 25 percent match (\$62,844) which will be budgeted in the Sheriff's Department FY 2009-10 budget, within their millage. This application is for the third and final year of funding for personnel, operation and capital cost. The Sheriff's Department will ask the school districts to pick up 50 percent of the cost for personnel when the grant is completed. There is no sunset clause attached to the grant.

A motion was made by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Kinard to recommend to full Council to approve staff's recommendation to submit the School Resource Officers Grant application.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

**Approval of Minutes - Meeting of October 28, 2008** - A motion was made by Mr. Derrick, seconded by Mr. Davis to approve the October 28, 2008 minutes as submitted.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

**Old Business/New Business - Public Defender Agreement** - Public Defender agreement under review.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy R. Busbee  
Assistant to the Clerk

William B. Banning, Sr.  
Chairman

Diana W. Burnett  
Clerk