

**JUSTICE COMMITTEE
MINUTES
JUNE 28, 2011**

The Justice Committee met on Tuesday, June 28, 2011 in the Committee Room, located on the second floor of the Administration Building beginning at 1:50 p.m. Mr. Davis, Committee Chairman, presided.

Members Attending:

George H. Davis, Chairman
Frank J. Townsend, III
James E. Kinard, Jr.

Bobby C. Keisler, V Chairman
William B. Banning, Sr.

Also attending: Katherine Hubbard, County Administrator; Larry Porth, Finance Director/Assistant County Administrator; Jeff Anderson, County Attorney; 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.

Forensic Death Investigator Grant Award - Coroner's Office - Butch Reynolds, Special Deputy Coroner - Mr. Reynolds presented a request to accept the Forensic Death Investigator Grant award in the amount of \$64,118. There is a ten percent County match of \$7,124 required. The funds will be used for the investigator's salary and operating cost. This is the third and final year of the grant.

A motion was made by Mr. Keisler, seconded by Mr. Banning to recommend to full Council to approve staff's request to accept the Forensic Death Investigator Grant award.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

FY11 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program Application - Sheriff's Department - Colonel Allan Paavel - Col. Paavel presented a request to apply for the FY11 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG). The application amount allocated by the US Department of Justice is \$48,972. The funds will be split between Magistrate Court Services, Sheriff's Department and Sistercare.

A motion was made by Mr. Keisler, seconded by Mr. Kinard to recommend to full Council to approve staff's request to apply for the FY11 JAG.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Gang Task Force Grant Award - Sheriff's Department - Colonel Allan Paavel - Col. Paavel presented a request to accept the Gang Task Force Grant award in the amount of \$132,251.

There is a 10 percent County match required of \$16,883. The funds will be used for two gang investigators and operating cost. This is the third and final year of funding. The Sheriff's Department will continue the program when funds run out by adding to the Sheriff's budget.

A motion was made by Mr. Keisler, seconded by Mr. Townsend to recommend to full Council to approve staff's request to accept the Gang Task Grant award.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

White Collar Crime Unit Grant Award - Sheriff's Department - Colonel Allan Paavel - Col. Paavel presented a request to accept the White Collar Crime Unit Grant award in the amount of \$67,403. There is a 10 percent County match required of \$9,442. The funds will be used for the investigator's salary and operating cost.

A motion was made by Mr. Keisler, seconded by Mr. Kinard to recommend to full Council to approve staff's request to accept the White Collar Crime Unit Grant award.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Request for Additional Personnel - Watch Commander - Sheriff's Department - Colonel Allan Paavel - Col. Paavel presented a request for an additional Lieutenant Watch Commander. Staff reviewed the position of Watch Commander and recommends two permanent positions instead of the current fourteen rotating staff. The total cost for one additional Lieutenant and necessary equipment is \$131,493. Funds are available in the FY2012 Sheriff's budget.

A motion was made by Mr. Keisler, seconded by Mr. Townsend to recommend to full Council to approve staff's request for one additional Watch Commander Lieutenant.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Old Business/New Business - None.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy R. Busbee
Assistant to the Clerk

George H. Davis
Chairman

Diana W. Burnett
Clerk