

MINUTES OF THE DODGE COUNTY SAFETY COMMITTEE

December 28, 2022

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Meeting of the Dodge County Safety committee began at 11:02 am with the following members present: Lon Strand, Dustin Weitzel, Micki Gilfry, Dana Nielsen, Jean Andrews NIRMA contact person and Pam Hopkins upcoming elect County Attorney.

OLD BUSINESS:

The ID cards that are set to expire December 31, 2022, have been reissued to all current employees. Tom Smith still has the 21 weather radios; a time needs to be set up so Tom can get officials together to get them programmed. A NIRMA Asst. grant was received in the amount of \$295.90 for these radios.

Larry Klahn received a NIRMA Asst. grant in the amount of \$1400 for a gas power signpost drive. He also did a training with members of the Highway Dept. on how to use. Another NIRMA Asst. grant was received for the purchase of a security system in the amount of \$7500.00.

The first numbers to have a fence put up around the Schneider Building came in to high. The number were not broke down so they are going to get a break down of the costs to see if it can be scaled back and Dana will also check with a couple other companies for prices.

NEW BUSINESS:

Applied Connective will be doing the security at the Schneider Building and the project for that has begun. Dustin Weitzel and Tom Smith have also walked the courthouse and grounds to determine where to be install security cameras. It was determined that one of the weakest parts of the courthouse at this time is the stairwell and the stairwell to the basement. It is highly suggested that cameras be installed in those places. A concern was brought up about individuals being able to come in the front door and go directly into the basement. That stairway cannot be shut off and access must remain because of the basement being a emergency/tornado shelter.

A lot of employees have now been given access to enter the building through the north doors. We will ask the security committee to look into this as none of those employees are coming through security.

Dana is going to look into the cost to replace locks on the office doors. Most of the doors lock from the hallway side. In the event of an emergency, we need to have a way to easily lock the doors from the inside. Several options were discussed. Dana will also check to see what else may work and report back at our next meeting.

The Sheriff's Department has concerns with the 2 large windows at the Judicial Center where the Sheriff has his office. Dustin Weitzel thought that there was a film type product that could be installed over the glass if it thick enough to make it more bullet proof. He will contact Matt Schott to get more information on that product.

Micki will put together the 2023 safety calendar and get that out to all members.

With no other new business, the meeting adjourned at 11:35am until the next scheduled meeting date of March 22, 2023.

Respectfully Submitted

Micki Gilfry
Secretary