

Sheriff's Update

January 14, 2020

10:01 a.m.

Present: Commissioner Fund, Commissioner Jackson, Sheriff Snaza, Chief Breen, Undersheriff Rethwill, County Manager Erik Martin (10:07 a.m.), Commissioner Stamper (10:11 a.m.)

Guests: Ralph Mancini, Frank Corbin

Recorder: Rieva Lester

Chief Breen gave an update on Services bureau, including:

- Response to recent bomb threat
- FAA certification for drone use – two detectives
- Personal property auction – planned for Jan. 17
- Staffing

County Manager Erik Martin joined at 10:07 a.m.

Chief Breen said new background check rules related to I-1639 resulted in an additional 600 background checks for the year. He said the work associated with the additional requirements cost the county roughly \$36,000.

Commissioner Stamper joined at 10:11 a.m.

Undersheriff Wes Rethwill gave an update on Corrections and Operations, including:

- Staffing
- Jail contracts revenue -- \$1 million for 2019
- Repairs needed for jail elevator
- Bomb threat "all call"
- Leaks
- Body scanner – future purchase

Undersheriff Rethwill provided Operations stats for 2019, including:

- 7,000 traffic stops
- 650 criminal citations
- 119 DUIs

Undersheriff Rethwill said the county collected 1,200 pounds of medication in its drug take-back boxes in 2019.

Undersheriff Rethwill gave updates on staffing and training as well as upcoming events, including:

- WASPC Firearms System Replacement & SECTOR Replacement project groups
- Coffee With Cops
- Napavine, Firearms Safety Class
- Young Marines
- 2020 Leg Day
- WTSC Traffic Safety Equipment Grant Selection Committee
- LCSO Annual Meeting – Bethel, Contract Negotiations
- Corrections Sergeants/Deputies

The Sheriff's Office praised Daleyn Coleman, Steve Walton and the commissioners for their work to wrap up labor agreements.

Sheriff Snaza praised the efforts of George and Elaine Chandler – and the commissioners – for their efforts to recognize law enforcement. Sheriff Snaza discussed the Community Care fund.

Sheriff Snaza praised Public Works for its work in response to flooding and snow.

Sheriff Snaza discussed WAC 139-12 (Law Enforcement Training and Community Safety Act – Independent Investigations Criteria), which was created in response to the passage of I-940. He said he is working with the PA's Office to discuss response to area cities, noting that there are costs associated with response to cities.

Sheriff Snaza discussed:

- The need for low-barrier housing options.
- Work to help in mental health crisis situations.
- Work his office will be doing to be proactive about budget needs.

Meeting ended at 10:50 a.m.