

# LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE



Minutes for Tuesday Jan. 17, 2017  
3rd Floor Bedford County Courthouse  
Consecutive after Rules and Legislative Committee

**Present:** Chairman, Eugene Ray, Bobby Fox, Bill Anderson and Mark Thomas.

**Absent:** John Brown

**Others Present:** Finance Director, Robert Daniel; County Commissioners; Chuck Heflin, Tony Barrett, Linda Yockey, Bob Davis, Don Gallagher, Julie Sanders, Billy King, Ed Castleman and Jimmy Woodson, Janice Brothers, Jeff Yoes; Sheriff, Austin Swing; EMA Director, Scott Johnson; IT Director, Josh Carney; BCSD, Ted Hewell, Tim Lokey; 911 Director, Phillip Noel; Animal Control Director, Jack Cooper; HR Director/Executive Assistant, Anita Epperson; T-G Reporter, John Carney; Probation Director, Joyce Reed; Juvenile Director, Michael Bennett; Judge, Charles Rich; several members of the public.

1. **Call Meeting to Order** - Chairman, Eugene Ray
2. **Prayer** – Mark Thomas
3. **Roll Call** - Chairman, Eugene Ray
4. **Approval of minutes of the Dec. 20, 2017, meeting of the Law Enforcement Committee** – Motion to approve, (Fox, Anderson) unanimous.
5. **Animal Control Reports** - Reports were mailed to committee members prior to the meeting. Director Jack Cooper was present. He said they were very low on animals which was wonderful. They should soon be ready to start on the expansion from the grant. They ended 2016 with a 9% euthanize rate which is almost unheard of for a county animal control shelter, he was very proud of that.
6. **Sheriff/Jail/Workhouse Reports** - Reports were mailed to committee members prior to the meeting. He went over the report. Tim Lokey was there said they had 155 in jail now of those 134 were county. Ted Hewell reported on the workhouse, in the year of 2016 had saved the city and county together way over 1 million dollars.  
  
**Drug Task Force-** Year of 2016 they did 357 investigations in Bedford and Marshall Counties.
7. **EMA Reports** – Director Scott Johnson was present. Reports were handed out prior to the meeting. He handed out paperwork for a Public Safety Information Cell Phone App for Bedford County. He said they were working with tornado shelter development.
8. **Juvenile Reports** – Reports were handed out prior to the meeting. Director Michael Bennett was present. He said they are again full, they have 8 kids. They were just approved to fingerprint county employees.
9. **Probation Reports** – Reports were handed out prior to the meeting. Director Joyce Reed was present. Joyce said she is working with Doug Bodary to get the information she needs.

*Commissioner Thomas made a motion to approve all reports, Commissioner Anderson 2<sup>nd</sup>, unanimous.*

**10. Old Business-** none

**11. New Business –**

**12. Announcements- Special Called Meeting Tues. Night**

**13. ADJOURN:** (Thomas, Ray) unanimous.