

LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE



Minutes for Tuesday Dec. 20, 2016
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, Julie Sanders, Billy King, Ed Castleman and Jimmy Woodson; Sheriff, Austin Swing; EMA Director, Scott Johnson; IT Director, Josh Carney; BCSD, Ted Hewell; 911 Assistant, Jim Miller; Animal Control Director, Jack Cooper; Mrs. Woodson

1. **Call Meeting to Order** - Chairman, Eugene Ray
2. **Prayer** – Mark Thomas
3. **Roll Call** - Chairman, Eugene Ray
4. **Approval of minutes of the Nov. 15, 2016, meeting of the Law Enforcement Committee** – Motion to approve, (Thomas, 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. He believed the new laws the County passed has helped. He is working with Nashville Humane and rescue groups. He is also working with EMA on an Animal Disaster group and class coming up in Feb.
6. **Sheriff/Jail/Workhouse Reports** - Reports were mailed to committee members prior to the meeting. He went over the report. Tim Lokey was not there but Austin said the Jail had 157 inmates. Ted Hewell said the workhouse had a total of 1,724 inmates for the month with an average of 57. The cost to feed each one was .98 cents per inmate per meal.
 - A. **Drug Task Force**- Last month there were 33 investigations, 29 were in Bedford Co. Nov. there was a group from GA. Here with counterfeit prescriptions that were caught. Task Force also had training classes.
7. **EMA Reports** – Director Scott Johnson was present. Reports were handed out prior to the meeting. He said he got a grant payment for the state. He also recently worked with the chemical spill that happened on I-24. That was getting close to Beech Grove.
8. **Juvenile Reports** – Reports were handed out prior to the meeting. Director Michael Bennett was present. He said they are again full and a lot of Bedford County kids.
9. **Probation Reports** – Reports were handed out prior to the meeting. Director Joyce Reed was present. She said she has had several calls the last few months from another county and someone in the county office is telling them to come here that we would drug screen them. That is not true. She has tried to correct that with the other county.

Commissioner Fox made a motion to approve all reports, Commissioner Thomas 2nd, unanimous.

10. Old Business- none

11. New Business –Announcements-

12. ADJOURN: 5:40 PM (Thomas, Ray) unanimous.