

## LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE



Minutes for Tuesday Sept. 18, 2018  
3rd Floor Bedford County Courthouse  
Consecutive after Rules and Legislative Committee

**Present:** Chairman, Mayor Chad Graham; Pro Temp, John Brown; Commissioners Bill Anderson, Mark Thomas, Silvia Pinson

**Absent:** 0

**Others Present:** Finance Director, Robert Daniel; County Commissioners, Linda Yockey, John Brown, Julie Sanders, Don Gallagher, Brian Farris, Greg Vick, Brent Smith, Anita Epperson; Mayor's Exec Asst, Liz Barnett; EMA Director Scott Johnson; BCSD Jail Director, Mary West; Deputy, Chasity Gunn; Times Gazette Reporter, John Carney; IT Director, Josh Carney; Probation Director, Joyce Reed; Juvenile Director, Cynthia West; BCFD, Brian Cantrell

**Call Meeting to Order** – Chairman, Mayor Chad Graham

1. **Prayer** – John Brown
2. **Roll Call** – All present
3. **Approval of minutes of the Aug. 21, 2018, meeting of the Law Enforcement Committee** – Motion to approve, (Brown, Anderson) unanimous
4. **Animal Control Reports – Sheriff/Jail/Workhouse Reports** – Reports were mailed to committee members prior to the meeting. City is aware County is working to form a committee to get the right people to the table.
  - a. **Jack Cooper** – Euthanization numbers higher than normal due to cock fighting captures & euthanizing the birds
5. **Mark Thomas** – Nominates Mayor Graham as Chairman of the Law Enforcement Committee & John Brown as Vice-Chair, unanimous
6. **Sheriff/Jail/Workhouse Reports** – Reports emailed prior to the meeting
  - a. Swing – Sheriff's dept has a clean audit, officers in in-service training, jail evacuations
  - b. Swing – Jail completion date unknown, staff/headcount that will be needed also unknown, can expect to lose 1/3 of your existing staff with the move, retention discussed, housing state inmates discussed
  - c. Yockey – Complaints on the officer's shooting range, noise, but officers must use the range to qualify
  - d. Anderson – Does the county use drones for anything?
  - e. **Jail/Jennifer** – Reports emailed prior to meeting
7. **Drug Task Force** – Reports were handed out prior to the meeting
8. **EMA Reports** – Director Scott Johnson was present. Reports were mailed out prior to the meeting.

**9. Juvenile Reports** – Reports were handed out prior to the meeting. Cynthia West

**10. Probation Reports** – Reports were handed out prior to the meeting. Director Joyce Reed.

- a. August drug screens, 33 positive of 107; 11 of which signed waivers
- b. Anderson – How often do we get positive tests for prescription drugs when they don't have a prescription for what they're testing positive for? Rarely, per Reed.

**11. Motion to Approve all Reports Submitted:** (Anderson, Thomas) unanimous

**12. Old Business** – none

**13. New Business** – none

**14. Announcements** – Reminder from Robert: Study session after next Tuesday's Finance Committee meeting

**15. ADJOURN:** (Brown, Pinson) unanimous 5:46