

Minutes
Montana Sheriffs and Peace Officer Association
Board Meeting Kalispell, Montana
June 16, 2009

Directors Present

Daryl Anderson-----President
Dennis McCave-----Past Pres.
Tony Harbaugh-----Sec/Treas

Leo Dutton-----1st Vice
Dave Schenk-----2nd Vice
Blue Corneliusen-----3rd Vice

Sheriffs

Jim Cashell
Rusty Jardee
Vern Burdick
David Castle

Undersheriffs & Deputies

Brian Gootkin
Greg Hintz
Dan Birdsill
Kevin McConnell

The meeting was called to order by President Anderson and roll was called.

** Motion by Greg Hintz to approve the minutes of the previous meeting and clear them to go on the web site.

2nd by Rusty Jardee

Motion Passed

Guests:

Marty Lambert, Gallatin County Attorney, thanked MSPOA for working with the County Attorneys Association in the Legislature concerning firearms, self defense, and use of force issues. Marty further advised that most of these issues will be revisited in the 2011 session.

Fred Hansen, MACo Risk Management, advised that inmate medical insurance is now available to counties through MACo.

Lily Yamamoto, MBCC, handed out RFPs for JAG grants and went over her handouts explaining who is eligible for grant monies and what for.

Kevin Bruski and Carl Hotvedt, Interoperable Montana, gave a power point presentation on what the IM system is. They are working towards statewide radio coverage and a way to sustain it.

Becky Berger, 911, explained E911 grant award is bringing \$500,000 to Montana. It is 50/50 match so they must find funds to meet the match requirement.

Communications and Liaisons:

DES-DHS-SERC – No Report

MBCC – Jim Cashell advised that the board will meet Friday June 19

Coroner – Tony Harbaugh advised that POST is working on a curriculum for Coroner Basic.

MLEA – No Report.

NSA – No Report

Operation Lifesaver – Daryl Anderson advised that the BBQ is scheduled for Wednesday night at Depot Park in Kalispell.

MACo Risk Management – Fred Hansen advised that the loss control conference training will be in Missoula Jan 20-22, 2010, at the Hilton. Gordon Graham will instruct.

Special Olympics – Dan Birdsill advised that the summer games were held in Bozeman and he relayed a big thank you to MSPOA for our support.

Private Security – Leo Dutton advised that the conference will be in Helena June 22 and 23.

Law Enforcement Museum and Memorial – Leo Dutton is working with MACOP to plan for the 2010 location

MDT/Traffic Safety – No Report

POST – Dennis McCave advised that the curriculum review committee is working on reserve deputy and coroner training. They are also reviewing the qualifications for Sheriff issue.

WSSA – No Report

S&R – No Report

MACo – Greg Hintz advised that MACo will hold their annual conference September 20-24 in Helena and celebrate 100 years.

NACo – No Report

Interoperable Radio – No Report

Statewide Interoperable Radio – No Report

DOC – Dave Castle advised that the committee will meet in July and that the 80/20 plan is continuing. Dave urges sheriffs to speak up for victims.

Concealed Weapons – Dave Schenk has applied for the seat and his request has been acknowledged.

911 Advisory – No Report

Committee Reports:

Programs and Services – Chaplain Warren Hiebert advised that LE Memorial Day ceremonies were held and he urges more attendance from Sheriffs offices. Hiebert advised that Great Falls and Billings are being considered as possible sites in 2010.

Hiebert advised that the Chaplains were involved during the plane crash incident in Butte.

Rusty Jardee advised that there is training available for rural sheriffs each year in Reno, NV, with all expenses paid.

** Motion by Rusty Jardee that MSPOA make the selection each year and that the Sheriff must be a MSPOA member to be eligible.

2nd by Blue Corneliusen

Motion Passed

Dennis McCave reported that the Jail standards review team training is complete, and 16 students participated. During 08-09 three jails were reviewed. They hope to do 12 jails in 09-10. Cost for travel and per diem was split with MACo in 08-09. Purposed budget for 09-10 is \$10,360.

** Motion by Dennis McCave that MSPOA commit up to one half of the cost up to \$5,180 if MACo pays half.

2nd by Dave Castle

Motion Passed

Public and Community Relations – Leo Dutton advised that this years scholarships will be awarded to Anthony J. Gackle of Billings and Paul Peterson of Columbus.

Career officer selected is Chuck Maxwell, Yellowstone County Sheriff.
Officer of the year is Undersheriff Doug Riggan, of Liberty County.

Board and committee development – Dave Schenk advised that short and long term goals were reviewed at the meeting in Ekalaka in May and that the committee will look at reviewing goals on an ongoing basis.

Funding and Fiscal – Tony Harbaugh reported on the honorary membership program. .

By Laws Committee – Tony Harbaugh noted that the upcoming conference elections will include two seats on the MSPOA board for detention officers.

Necrology –None Reported

Government Relations – Jim Cashell gave a wrap up of the legislative session.

New Business

** Motion by Dave Castle to refund the registration fee paid by Chaplain Warren Hiebert

2nd by Leo Dutton Motion Passed

Report of President

Daryl Anderson welcomed everyone to Kalispell for the conference. He noted that the Search and Rescue Rendezvous was held last week in Lewistown. Dates for next years Rendezvous are June 11-13 in Madison County. The committee will be reactivated; Cliff Brophy will meet with DES Director Mesch on Thursday and discuss the makeup of the committee.

**Motion by Leo Dutton that the PR committee meets to discuss with the Search and Rescue committee how to proceed and in what direction.

2nd by Blue Corneliusen Motion Passed

Director's Report

Kathy McGowan advised that Jim will not be able to attend the conference. Perry and Nanette will be assisting. Kathy advised that they are still working with Aquila Vision on grants. The next phase will be for \$200,000. They are planning to work with Western Montana Mental Health Center on a monitoring proposal.

Next meeting scheduled for Friday June 19 in Kalispell, Montana at 1300.

Meeting adjourned.