

Minutes  
Montana Sheriffs and Peace Officer Association  
Board Meeting Glasgow, Montana  
November 19, 2008

Directors Present

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

Leo Dutton-----1<sup>st</sup> Vice  
Dave Schenk-----2<sup>nd</sup> Vice  
Blue Corneliusen-----3<sup>rd</sup> Vice

Sheriffs

Jim Cashell  
Rusty Jardee  
Cliff Brophy  
Vern Burdick

Undersheriffs & Deputies

Brian Gootkin  
Greg Hintz  
Jay Bell  
Kevin McConnell

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

\*\* Motion by Rusty Jardee to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the previous meeting.

2<sup>nd</sup> by Greg Hintz

Motion Passed

Guests:

Glen Meier, Valley County Sheriff, welcomed the board to Glasgow and thanked us for holding a meeting in northeastern Montana.

John Grainger, DOL, revisited the horse slaughter issues with the board. He advised that there is a bill in Congress which would make it a federal felony to transport horses to slaughter. If this bill passes, Sheriffs will be dealing with more abandoned horse issues.

Kevin Olson, MLEA, showed a short video of the Oregon physical abilities test (ORPAT). MLEA is planning to implement the ORPAT for the basic class.

Lt. Col. Mike Tooley, MHP, thanked those officers that attended funerals for the two officers that the HP recently lost. He further advised that MHP has 18 new officers on board and finally that the new CAD-RMS system is up and running.

Chris Strong, Glasgow PD, advised the board of the forming of the LE Records Association. They have bylaws drafted and hope to hold two training sessions per year.

\*\* Motion by Cliff Brophy to support and endorse the formation of the LE Records Assoc.

2<sup>nd</sup> by Greg Hintz

Motion Passed 8-4

Chris Christensen, PSSB, advised that there will be 2 911 bills introduced. LC-0250 will deal with admin fees and LC-0252 will deal with wireless fees. Chris would like our support on these bills.

### Report of the President

Daryl Anderson advised that the 2009 Conference will be held in Kalispell June 15-18.

An updated phone tree was handed out to the board.

### Communications and Liaisons:

**DES-DHS-SERC** - Cliff Brophy advised that Dan McGowan is now doing DHS duties only.

**MBCC** – Jim Cashell advised that the board will meet the first week in December.

**Coroner** – No Report

**MLEA** – Greg Hintz advised that the board met in October and reviewed the ORPAT test.

**NSA** – No Report

**Operation Lifesaver** – Daryl Anderson advised that their next meeting will be December 7 and 8 in Helena.

**MACo Risk Management** – Fred Hansen advised that the Risk Management Conference will be January 13-15 in Helena.

**Special Olympics** – No Report

**Private Security** – No Report

**Law Enforcement Museum and Memorial** – No Report

**MDT/Traffic Safety** – No Report

**POST** – Tony Harbaugh advised that the council will meet November 20.

**WSSA** – Jim Cashell advised that dues for individual officers are now \$100. Conference dates will be March 2-5 in Reno, NV.

**S&R** – Cliff Brophy advised that the group will try to meet with Steve Knecht on the Search and Rescue reimbursement funds issue on January 14.

Consensus of the board is that we need to meet with General Walsh and discuss search and rescue issues. Smith and McGowan will make that contact.

**MACo** – Greg Hintz advised that the next meeting is November 25.

**NACo** – Jay Bell advised that he will attend the annual conference in March in Washington, DC. Jay noted that jail issues are on the conference agenda.

**Interoperable Radio** – No Report

**Statewide Interoperable Radio** – No Report

**DOC** – No Report

**Concealed Weapons – No Report**  
**911 Advisory – No Report**

Committee Reports:

**Programs and Services** – Greg Hintz advised that AquilaVision is at the testing and evaluation stage and needs agencies to test the equipment. Contact Smith and McGowan if interested.

MSPOA will be hosting the Child Abduction Training in Missoula on December 1.

**Public and Community Relations –**

\*\* 2<sup>nd</sup> motion brought to the board by the committee to support the airport geo-location grant.

Motion Passed

\*\* 2<sup>nd</sup> motion to contribute up to \$500 or \$500 in materials for the Medicine Wheel near Browning. (contingent on Sheriff Dusterhoffs approval)

Motion Passed

\*\* 2<sup>nd</sup> motion from the committee to have Sheriff Dutton represent MSPOA on the MT Emergency Care committee.

Motion Passed

\*\* 2<sup>nd</sup> motion from the committee to support MDOT in their legislation regarding liability for clearing the highway following traffic accidents.

Motion Passed

It was noted that reflective clothing is now required for all emergency personnel while on Montana Highways.

**Board and committee development** – Dave Schenk advised that the tentative dates for the long range planning meeting will be May 6 and 7 with the location to be determined.

**Funding and Fiscal** – Tony discussed possibly using funds from dues and special accounts to generate interest dollars that would cover MSPOA annual contributions to the Scholarship and Special Olympics programs. Tony will bring figures and amounts to the next meeting.

**By Laws Committee –**

\*\* 2<sup>nd</sup> Motion from the committee to create two additional seats on the MSPOA board which will be filled by Sheriffs Detention Officers and to amend the by-laws accordingly.

Motion Passed

**Necrology –**

Greg Reichelt, former Missoula County Sheriff Office Detention  
Ben Huckins, former Park County Sheriff  
Ron Brown, former Gallatin County Deputy

Government Relations – Jim Cashell advised that there are currently 977 bill requests as of November 17, 2008.

Jim provided the board with a handout outlining legislative priorities. See Attached

Jim advised that MLEA will host a meeting for the legislative committees for all law enforcement associations on December 18 at MLEA.

MSPOA Legislative committee will meet December 19 at MACo offices.

Director's Report

Jim Smith advised that the grants for Racial Profiling and STEP are continuing and going well. He advised that they hope to find participants to try the equipment on the MONTS grant with AquilaVision.

Kathy McGowan advised that the income and expenses for the 2008 LE Summit are about completed.

She further advised that they are contacting sheriffs to participate in the 2009 Honorary Member Prospect.

She also noted that April 9, 2009, is LE day at the Legislature and encourages everyone to attend.

Next meeting schedule for Helena, Montana, January 14 and 15, 2009

Meeting adjourned.