

Manitowoc County Public Safety Committee  
Manitowoc County Expo Grounds, Merchant Building, North meeting area

November 5, 2020 6:00 p.m.

Attendance: Chairperson Dave Nickels, Supervisor Rick Henrickson, Supervisor James Falkowski, Charles Hagen, and Supervisor Nick Muench.

Others in attendance: Patricia Koppa, District Attorney Jacalyn LaBre.

Chairperson Dave Nickels called the meeting to order at 06:00 p.m. Roll call circulated.

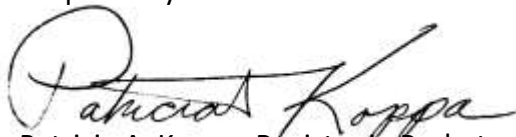
Minutes: Chairperson Dave Nickels if there were any corrections to the minutes of the October 13, 2020 committee meeting, and none being offered, asked for a motion to approve. Motion was made by Supervisor Charles Hagen and seconded by Supervisor James Falkowski and unanimously approved.

Chair Nickels recognized District Attorney Jacalyn LaBre. Spoke regarding 2021/22 State budget and her on going need for additional attorneys in her office. Caseload shows she should have several more assistants. Added one last cycle, though had initially been approved for two. Noted that there was a very high level of cases still being filed; in 2019 were 870 felony files while already over 820 in 2020. Noted in response to questions that drug cases remain high. Have to prioritize efforts. This has not yet resulted in a lack of prosecution of any meritorious complaints. The staff is being creative on how to do so. In response to the need, asks for letter of support for the additional assistant. This is similar to what has been done in the past. Greater details were provided to all committee members in August.

Chair Nickels thanked the District Attorney for attending and her report. Motion made by Supervisor Henrickson that Chair Nickels send letter of support for additional DA staff to the Department of Justice or other state offices. Second by Supervisor Falkowski. All voted in favor.

Adjournment: Supervisor Nick Muench moved to adjourn, Supervisor Hagen seconded the motion. Motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 06:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted



Patricia A. Koppa, Register in Probate  
For Supervisor Nicholas Muench, Committee Secretary