

MINUTES
COURTS & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
111 S. Michigan Ave., Room 200, Saginaw MI 48602
Tuesday, October 7, 2025 – 4:00 p.m.

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Present: Christopher Boyd - Chair, Sheldon Matthews – Vice-Chair, Mark Piotrowski, Rich Spitzer, Jack Tany

Others: Mary Catherine Hannah, Koren Thurston, Dave Gilbert, Christopher Manriquez, Mary McLaughlin, Jaime Ceja, Eric Snidersich, Dr. Noel Wagner, Steve Fenner, Renee Sharkey, and Catherine Hicks

- I. Call to order – **Chair Boyd at 4:02 p.m.**
- II. Welcome/Roll-call
- III. Correction/Approval of Minutes (**August 5, 2025**) [*Sept. meeting cancelled*]
 - **Moved by Piotrowski, seconded by Tany, to approve. Motion carried.**
- IV. Public comment – **None**
- V. Agenda

1. **Christopher Manriquez, Operations Manager; Eric Snidersich, Vice President of Operations, Mobile Medical Response, & Dr. Noel Wagner, Saginaw-Tuscola Medical Control Authority Medical Director, re:**
 - **10-21-1** MMR Submitting its Tri-Annual Report on response times and other related information pursuant to the Ambulance Service Agreement
 - Christopher Manriquez, Eric Snidersich, and Dr. Wagner enthusiastically announced that on August 26, 2025, blood was given on an ambulance for the first time ever and it happened here in Saginaw County. Due to specialty refrigerators installed on supervisor units, the hospital's blood (O+) is now available on scene, so the patient is able to receive it sooner. By administering blood this way, the amount of blood used in the hospital is reduced by 30% on average. A collaboration with MyMichigan Medical and Covenant HealthCare enables unused blood to be returned to the hospital. There is 1 supervisor unit on duty 24/7. The responding crew begins the process so the blood can be used when the supervisor arrives. There is discussion about adding blood to additional ambulances and the possible addition of plasma. EMS continues to improve processes based on evidence of effectiveness. By using trauma data and the efficacy of the military getting blood to the soldier rather than bring the soldier to the blood, when the FDA approved MMR as distributors, the process was implemented. At the time of this meeting, blood product from an ambulance had been used 4 times.
 - Commissioners were invited to MEDCOM Open House Thursday, November 6th from 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. to tour the updated space and meet the team. Light refreshments will be provided. RSVPs are requested by October 22nd.
 - It was discussed that ambulances can be seen parked in various places because they are spaced out to provide coverage in a larger area while waiting for a call.
(Receive & File)

2. **Undersheriff Gomez, Sheriff's Office**, re: Update on current jail project and fundraiser

- Undersheriff Gomez informed the committee that one of their own, a female deputy, has been diagnosed with cancer. Breast cancer awareness products were purchased, and Sheriff Department staff can purchase and wear the products for \$5 a week for all of October and November in support of and to raise money for an American Cancer Society donation in the deputy's name. Commissioners asked the prices of the products and if Undersheriff Gomez would order more so they can purchase them; Chair Boyd requested a pink knit cap like the ones worn by road patrol deputies (\$6).
- A basketball hoop will be installed in the recreation area to offer a resource for incarcerated juveniles. The Corrections Officer will be one member of the one-on-one team.
- Undersheriff Gomez discussed bed space and disclosed that the "Feds" have not used the number of beds that were anticipated. They have not been contacted about any raids in Saginaw. The Sheriff Department has always assisted but has not partnered with the Feds by making deputies their agents. Incarceration numbers are down but steady at 6 beds. Presently, there are 4 out-of-county inmates being housed at \$300/day. Juvenile bed space is making up for the shortage and Saginaw County juveniles will always be taken in before out-of-county inmates.

(Informational-no action)

3. Any other matters to come before the committee – **None**

VI. Miscellaneous – **None**

VII. Adjournment – **Matthews moved, seconded by Piotrowski, to adjourn. Motion carried; time being 4:39 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,
Christopher Boyd, Committee Chair
Renee Sharkey, Committee Clerk