

PROCEEDINGS: IDA COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY AND COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION AUG. 16, 2022 MINUTES

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ARTHUR FIRE DEPARTMENT

The August 2022 meeting of the Ida County Public Safety and Communications Commission was called to order by Mayor Gary Chase at 6:55 p.m. with the following members present: Supervisors Ray Drey. Mayors Gary Chase; Charlie Pierce; Kathy Breyfogle; Gary Wanberg and Devlun Whiteing. Also present, Sheriff Wade Harriman and Jane from the Ida County Courier.

Mayor Charlie Pierce made a motion to approve the agenda. Second by Supervisor Ray Drey. Motion carried.

Supervisor Ray Drey made a motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Second by Mayor Charlie Pierce. Motion carried.

Sheriff Wade Harriman then gave a brief report on the recent happenings in the Sheriff's Office. He stated that his office had logged a total of 712.5-hours on patrol in the county during the month of July, and had responded to a total of 679-calls for service. In all, 33-arrests were made during the month.

The Sheriff then highlighted some of the arrests made during the month of July. He noted several of the arrests were for narcotic related offenses. He also noted a July 17 arrest of a juvenile from Ida Grove, Iowa on charges of sexual abuse following a lengthy investigation.

Sheriff Harriman did advise the commission that a July 6 explosion of a rural Battle Creek, Iowa home was the result of a rupture in the LP line between the tank and the

home. The investigation was done by his office, the Battle Creek Fire Department and the Iowa State Fire Marshal's Office.

The Sheriff also spoke about the success of RAGBRAI. He thanked all those who volunteered on various committees and those extra officers who came to Ida Grove and worked the event alongside his staff.

There was nothing to report under communications.

During the jail portion of the meeting the Sheriff told the commission members that his office had their annual jail inspection conducted by the Iowa Department of Corrections. The only comment item noted was that some of the jail mattresses were no longer in useable condition and would need to be replaced. He also stated that during the month of July the jail booked 29-inmates into the jail.

A total of 102-citations were issued during the month of July and a total of 49-civil processes were served by deputies.

The Sheriff then spoke for a few minutes about the jail being staffed full-time for the first time in the history of the Ida County jail. He stated this has dramatically improved the safety of the jail for staff and inmates, and made the job of communications center operators and deputies much easier. It also allows them to focus on the job they were hired to do.

There was no unfinished business or new business to report on.

Next meeting date was set for 7 p.m. Sept. 20, 2022 in Battle Creek.

Mayor Devlun Whiteing made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Second by Mayor Gary Chase. Meeting adjourned at 7:13 p.m.