



Board of Commissioners' Joint Meeting with the City of Merrill March 9, 2023 ~ 2:00pm ~ Room 214

3/9/2023 - Minutes

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2. Call To Order & Those Present

Commissioner Henslee, Commissioner Minty; Haley Huffman / Admin Staff; Rodney McCollam; Rayna Hernandez, Joann Johnson, Greg Matthew, Steve Bailey / City of Merrill.

3. Input For Strategic Plan

Commissioner Henslee gives an overview of the County's Strategic Plan process which has recently started. The County will be reaching out to the City of Merrill at a later date to get input.

4. Law Enforcement In Merrill



Rayna Hernandez explains that Marshal Bicknell retired December 31st and they had to disband their police department until a new officer can be hired. They've contracted with the City of Malin for policing, but the funding is running out. Rodney McCollum said, we have applications and are conducting interviews to hire a Chief. Commissioner Henslee asks about the funding for the City of Malin contract. Ms. Hernandez explains, it depends on how much the hiring process costs. Commissioner Henslee asks, ideally how many officers would you like? The group agreed, two and talked about a reserve program. Commissioner Henslee offers advice on hiring.

5. Other

Commissioner Henslee asks, what is your immediate need other than law enforcement? The group replied, a mayor. The group is excited about the Bluegrass Festival on July 7,8 and 9.

6. Adjournment

2:30pm

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