

AGENDA FOR THE CITY OF BARABOO PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Members noticed must notify Committee Chairman Wedekind at least 24 hours before the meeting if they will not be able to attend.

Date and Time: Tuesday, May 26th, 2015 – **1:00 P.M.**
Location: City Services Center - 450 Roundhouse Court, Baraboo, Wisconsin
Members Noticed: Phil Wedekind, Tom Kolb, Michael Plautz
Others Noticed: Administrator E. Geick, Mayor M. Palm, City Attorney M. Reitz, Police Chief M. Schauf, Fire Chief K. Stieve, T. Pinion, R. Koss, W. Peterson, E. Robkin, Media, and Library.

1. Call to Order

- a. Note compliance with the Open Meeting Law.
- b. Roll call.
- c. Approve agenda.
- d. Approve minutes of April 27, 2015 Public Safety Committee meeting.

2. New Business

- a. Discuss prospective new sidewalk project(s) for 2015 since School District is installing new sidewalk that was planned along the north side of 9th Avenue. (Prospective candidates include Park Street between 7th & 8th, Mound Street from Council to Water, Elizabeth Street from Rivercrest to Water)
- b. Review reconstruction project plan for Washington Avenue and consider installation of sidewalk on the west side of Washington between College and 2nd.
- c. Discussion and possible action on designating honorary names for portions of existing municipal streets.
- d. Review and approve siting the Fire Department's live-fire training props on City-owned property on the east side of Briar Street, south of former DPW garage.
- e. Review and recommendation regarding final paving for Briar Street Asphalt Path
- f. Review operation of Air Curtain Destructor and neighbors' concerns about smoke and ash.
- g. Review and Approval monthly Billing Adjustments/Credits for Sewer and Water Customers
- h. Review and Approval to file Body Worn Camera Grant Application for the Police Department.

3. Reports

- a. Utility Superintendent's Report
- b. Street Superintendent's Report
- c. Police Chief's Report
- d. Fire Chief's Report

4. Adjournment

Phil Wedekind, Chairperson

Agenda Prepared by Kris Jackson
Agenda Posted by Kris Jackson May 21, 2015

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Minutes of the Public Safety Committee Meeting – April 27, 2015

Members Present: Phil Wedekind and Tom Kolb. Mike Plautz was absent. **Others Present:** Administrator Geick, Mayor Palm, Chief Schauf, Chief Stieve, Engineer Pinion, Bob Koss, Wade Peterson, and Kris Jackson.

Call to Order - Committee Chairman Phil Wedekind called the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M. at the City Service Building, 450 Roundhouse Court, Baraboo, Wisconsin. Compliance with the Open Meeting Law was noted. It was moved by Kolb, seconded by Wedekind to approve the agenda as posted and by voice vote, the motion carried. It was moved by Kolb, seconded by Wedekind to approve the minutes of the March 30, 2015. By voice vote the motion carried.

New Business

- a. Review Bid Tabulation and Recommend award of 2015 Street Reconstruction, Utility Extensions, & Park Improvements projects – Engineer Pinion said that bids were opened last Thursday for five different projects, one of them being the budgeted block of the street reconstruction, Washington Avenue, which came in at a competitive \$87,517 from Dean Blum Excavating; the entrance to Boo-U was D.L. Gasser at \$60,280.00; Commerce Ct. Utility Extension was LASAR Construction LLC at \$55,043.00; City View Park Asphalt Path & Basketball Court was D.L. Gasser at \$7,201.85; and Briar Street Asphalt Path was D.L. Gasser at \$13,964.00. Wedekind asked about the sidewalk at 8th and Park. Pinion said that in the budget there was money allocated for accessible new sidewalk, but we don't have to spend any money, because the school is doing it on their own as part of the referendum project. Therefore, there is money budgeted to tackled of couple of different areas of sidewalk if desired. Pinion said that he will include something in next month's agenda regarding Park Street, both sidewalk and park regulations. Kolb moved, Wedekind seconded to approve low bidders on 2015 Street Reconstruction, Utility Extensions & Park Improvements. Motion carried unanimously.
- b. Review and Approval monthly billing Adjustments/Credits for Sewer and Water Customers – Peterson said that the credits coded so that the Committee to see what the credit was given for. Five of them were because they had leaks and got them fixed and one was a glitch in the billing system. It was moved by Kolb, seconded by Wedekind to approve the billing adjustments Motion carried unanimously.
- c. Review request for Streetlights on Waldo Street, from Quarry Street to Parkside Avenue – Pinion said that there is sidewalk along the west side of Waldo, from Quarry to Parkside Avenue and nothing on the east side of the street. Alliant did confirm that they could lights on the poles, there would be no out-of-pocket expense, and they would just add them to the regular monthly billing. Kolb asked the number of lights and Pinion answered four. It was moved by Kolb, seconded by Wedekind to approve request for streetlight on Waldo Street, from Quarry Street to Parkside Avenue. Motion carried unanimously.

Reports

- a. Utility Superintendent's Report – Peterson said that they have started their annual sewer cleaning project and at this time they have taken a break to haul the bio-solids. He said that on the water side they have gotten numbers back from the painting contractor for the Mine Street tower to turn it into a gold ball, the price was \$28, 500 and when he spoke with Clint from the Golf Course and he said no; however, he did ask if the City would consider going to more of the color scheme of their building. He told him that he would take a look at their paint scheme and bring it back to the committee. He said that personally doesn't care what the colors are; however, he does like the two-tone scheme.
- b. Street Superintendent's Report – Koss said that they have taken 161 trees down this year. All trees are ground except two, which will be done by tomorrow afternoon. He said that all the holes will be filled and seeded within the next couple of weeks. Smoke and ash from the incinerator was then discussed. Koss said that he will be putting gates up to stop people from dumping couches, mattresses, etc. He said that he has noticed a lot of brush coming in from out of town and the gates will be opened from 7:00 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. Pinion said that next month he will have some numbers and recommendations for a couple of dump boxes on trucks that are almost rusted out and beyond repair; therefore, he will be bringing a couple of options to the meeting. He said that there is money in the capital replacement account. It was stated that the engines, frames, and chassis are in great shape.
- c. Police Chief's Report – Schauf gave updates on hiring process, saying that they will be interviewing 20 candidates on May 7 and hope to establish a list the same day and start backgrounds right away. The department has been busy with parking tickets. He said that the department knows who is doing the graffiti; in fact, they have a confession and are working on getting charges. He said that the person has actually offered to help clean it up; however that is something that will be handled through the courts. He then said that they did an Emergency Operations Center Activation drill last week, a lot of good lessons learned, but a lot of areas that need improvements; however, a lot of things that are being done right also. Additionally, they will be training with the fire department next week on the Rescue Task Force Concept, which is a way in an on-going violence situation that they would be able to get victims out faster, save lives. Mayor Palm said the next time one is held, it would be good if the Committee would come and observe. Schauf said that the week of May 15 is proclaimed as Police Week. He said May 11 the Sauk County Respect for Law Ceremony will be held on the Courthouse Square at 8:30 a.m. He then also, during Council that week he will be giving out some citizen awards. He will also be doing a formal swearing in of the newest police officer.
- d. Fire Chief's Report – Stieve said based on the conversation last month he has reassigned some duties to the lieutenants, they will be in charge of preparing the training in conjunction with the list that has been developed through the group of officers. The safety duties went to one of the current captains. The maintenance chief was also given all the maintenance duties. He went on to say that the officer's wages are under review. He then explained the procedure that was taken for the Emergency Operations Center Activation drill that was held. He said that the drill was a great experience and said that Jeff Jelinik puts the City of Baraboo up against any municipality in the County and probably Statewide as far as being prepared. He then discussed the training grounds for the fire department. He said for the past several years firefighters have been sent down to The Fire Department Training Network in Indianapolis, which is a training center that they training on different functions and they learn under live fire conditions and what they use for this is shipping containers. He said that he has identified an area with the Street Superintendent by the leaf pile for that purpose. He said that with this training smoke will be some smoke; therefore, the next step would be to

get the blessing of the Committee, meet with staff, and then to have a neighborhood meeting. He said that he would like to move this along because they have eyes on some shipping containers in Richland Center for a very good price. Kolb asked if this could become a regional training facility. Stieve said that potentially. He said that he will be applying to become an instructor through MATC and there are other people that could apply. He said that the Citizens Police and Fire Academy Alumni Association has an annual golf outing and last year some of the money that was earmarked for the department was over \$1800 and he was told to use it toward the training center. Also, they will be pursuing the rest of money through the Firefighters Fund Raising Association. He said that there is approximately \$4,000 in the City donations account. He went on to say that he would also pursue the programs through Menards and Home Depot for materials. He said that there would be a fence around and if it were allowed he would put sponsorship advertisement on it. He said that they are working on creating a recruitment advertisement card that could be personally given to someone.

ADJOURNMENT – Kolb moved, Wedekind seconded to adjourn the meeting at 2:41 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Phil Wedekind, Chairman

Report Criteria:
Types Selected: Assistance Applieds, Billing Adjustments

Name	Customer Number	Type	Reference Number	Description	Source ID	Check Number	Amount	Msg	Service
Billing Adjustment									
04/01/2015									
DEQUAINE, ALISHA	78-014000-01	BAdj	1	GLITCH IN BILLING			417.27 -	M	Multiple
Total 04/01/2015:	7,801,400,001						417.27 -		
04/02/2015									
BERRY, JUDY	77-149000-00	BAdj	1	REPLACED LEAKY TOILE			52.55 -	M	Multiple
Total 04/02/2015:	7,714,900,000						52.55 -		
04/06/2015									
HOLMEN PROPERTIES	94-004000-02	BAdj	1	PIPES BURST IN JANUAR			106.92 -	M	Multiple
Total 04/06/2015:	9,400,400,002						106.92 -		
04/08/2015									
HAWKINS, MATTHEW & A	87-090000-00	BAdj	1	REMOVE PN PER JMB			2.14 -	M	Multiple
Total 04/08/2015:	8,709,000,000						2.14 -		
04/15/2015									
BAVLNKA, JOSEPH	57-025000-00	BAdj	1	REMOVED WATER SOFT			281.81 -	M	Multiple
STEWART, JUSTIN	73-049000-01	BAdj	2	REPLACED TOILET			115.35 -	M	Multiple
Total 04/15/2015:	13,007,400,001						397.16 -		
04/21/2015									
BARABOO SYSCO FOOD	99-002650-00	BAdj	1	PAID B/4 PENALTY			3.29 -	M	ST PEN - 94
Total 04/21/2015:	9,900,265,000						3.29 -		
04/22/2015									
BARTOL, M JAY	55-123000-00	BAdj	1	REMOVE PENALTY (SEE			1.99 -	M	Multiple
Total 04/22/2015:	5,512,300,000						1.99 -		
Total Billing Adjustment:	62,045,665,004						981.32 -		
Grand Totals:	62,045,665,004						981.32 -		

City of Baraboo
Body Worn Camera Initiative

Abstract

05-18-2015

The City of Baraboo has a portion of the Body Worn Camera plan all ready completed. The only hurdle to completion of all phases has been the availability of funding to support hardware (camera) and software upgrades. With the addition of the funds available via the Grant, this project could be completed earlier than originally planned. The goal of the project is to have all officers equipped with cameras by July 1, 2016.

Vendors	Product Supplied	Contact Person	
BayCom, Inc	Panasonic Arbitrator Body Worn Officer Cameras and configuration/access software.	<u>Tim Cooney</u> Regional Product Manager 2040 Radisson St. Green Bay, WI 54302 tcooney@baycominc.com 920-544-4282	
Sauk County M.I.S Division	Installation labor & troubleshooting of the Arbitrator video system & related software.	<u>David Grant</u> M.I.S. Lead Technician 515 Broadway Baraboo, WI 53913 dgrant@co.sauk.wi.us	

Project	Goal	Planned Completion Date	Actual Completion Date	Cost Estimate
PHASE 1 Includes installation/update of existing back-end software to accept new body camera video	This phase allows existing system to accept BOTH squad and body camera video uploads.	September 2015	May 2015 (partially completed)	\$7364.00
PHASE 2 Purchase and Training of 28	This phase allows the law enforcement officers to each receive a body worn	November 2015	Not yet completed	\$28,308.00 = BWC \$3920.00 = training

Panasonic Arbitrator Body Worn Camera's.	camera and receive 4 hours of training on same.			
PHASE 3 M.I.S. Tech labor to install/update all back-end server database software and complete training for any new personnel.	This final phase allows for the final update/installation of any remaining firmware or software necessary. Also any new personnel will be trained and issued body cams.	March 2016	Not yet completed	\$6408.00

City of Baraboo
Body Worn Camera Initiative
Grant Information

Program Narrative

05-18-2015

Demographics of the City of Baraboo

The City of Baraboo is an incorporated City located in the South-central Wisconsin region. Our population is currently 12,048. Our department consists of 28 full time sworn law enforcement officers.

Need for Police Body Worn Camera Technology

The immediate need for information regarding an officer or subjects actions on a given call for service is growing nationwide. Our department's philosophy of openness with our community joined with the need for immediate resolution to any type of contact where a Baraboo Police Officer or the public citizen has questions or concerns drives the need for these body worn camera's by our police officers. We have a strong connection and mutual trust with our community and these cameras and the recording of any and all contacts would certainly aid in our quest for the truth whenever a contact is questioned. Our plan would assure every Baraboo Sworn Law Enforcement officer is issued and trained on a body worn camera. It is important to note that our officers are a MAJOR PROPONENT of body worn cameras as we have tested them in the past. (See "Prior body worn camera test...") We believe having the "buy-in" of officers in any program is the single largest hurdle in any program; we all ready have that difficult hurdle overcome.

The "Single-Solution" need for integration with current Video Technologies

While researching potential body worn camera solutions for the Baraboo Police Department, it was quickly realized that the need for a single solution to store, maintain and retrieve all of our law enforcement video was imperative. We currently utilize the "Panasonic Arbitrator" system in our squad cars and the storage/maintenance of the video is via central server storage and access. We are planning to utilize the same system for all of our body worn camera's which would create a significant cost savings in training dollars of personnel and back-end server storage software. We currently have the server hardware requirements necessary to integrate the new body-worn camera software/video footage into an organized, secure retrieval system.

Body Worn Camera Video Availability to Prosecutor/s and Others – Team Approach

The City of Baraboo Police Department is currently working on a program to allow prosecutors immediate access to needed video evidence via secured access. We recognize the need for numerous various entities to be able to utilize the system and view video via the fastest and most secure method. The current proposed method allows us to further ease the burden of fast and secure access to the video by prosecutors/others.

Body worn Camera Infrastructure Planning for the Future

The City is well aware that the initial purchase of the cameras is only step one of a multi-step process. Our goal is to implement the appropriate training and consultation for both the officers of the Baraboo Police Department as well as the training and consultation of the CITIZENS of our community. Our plan is to integrate the cameras with public input as well as current applicable law/policy. The year to year maintenance of this philosophy is necessary for the success of the plan...the city will budget the necessary funds for the future of the plan and its integrity.

Budget

Below is a breakdown of estimated costs for the project. Monies received from the Grant would enable the city to complete the project sooner.

Year	Cost of Wireless System
2015	\$5,500
2016	\$18,250
2017	\$18,250
Totals	\$42,000

Prior Body Worn Camera Project Test & Demo

The City of Baraboo Police Department recognized the need for these cameras years ago. Simply put; the City of Baraboo did not have the necessary funds to purchase suitable cameras and so purchased a few inexpensive portable cameras. These small cameras are able to record for only a small amount of time and lack durability. Our officers have commented numerous times on the value of these cameras if the proper camera were purchased and utilized.

Based on these tests we found out two important facts...

1. *The officers like having the ability to record contacts/other events.*
2. *Our citizens are beginning to EXPECT that these cameras are present when law enforcement officers arrive.*

Most of the cameras we had initially purchased are now inoperable because they were never designed for the environment or strenuous needs of law enforcement. These new cameras would have the durability/other necessary requirements of modern day law enforcement.

Performance Measures and Accountability

The reporting requirements and accountability reporting for this project are assigned to a single point of contact to assure proper reporting requirements and workflow. The ongoing facilitation and management of the program; including evaluating the performance measures of the project will be documented by the program manager; currently Captain Rob Sinden. Administrative Support personnel are ready to assume responsibility of reporting requirements if necessary.

Capt. Rob Sinden
Police Body Worn Camera Project Coordinator

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KEY FEATURES

- Single or two-piece, lightweight (4.6 oz.) design with multiple mounting options
- Rugged IP54 and MIL-STD-810G architecture
- 720p HD resolution
- Compatible with SafeServ™ Evidence Management Software
- Synchronized triggering with in-car video system
- Built-in GPS and Wi-Fi (offload & ad-hoc)
- LED officer information panel
- Field-serviceable battery and memory

INTRODUCING THE ARBITRATOR BODY WORN CAMERA—THE NEXT GENERATION IN CONCRETE EVIDENCE CAPTURE.

Built on Panasonic's tradition of video surveillance excellence for law enforcement, the NEW Arbitrator® Body Worn Camera takes evidence collection to the next level. Constructed with a single or two-piece design, the Arbitrator Body Worn Camera is lightweight and IP54-rated to provide officers with a better way to capture unbiased, tamper-proof video in nearly any condition.

Recording evidence in 720p HD, the Arbitrator Body Worn Camera provides the video clarity needed to accelerate convictions in court, and seamlessly integrates with Panasonic's SafeServ™ Evidence Management Software. By cultivating video evidence from the Arbitrator Body Worn Camera in unison with Arbitrator in-car video systems and Panasonic fixed-surveillance cameras, law enforcement agencies can now depend on a unified evidence management platform to preserve every link in the chain of evidence. Plus, with flexible storage options, evidence can be stored locally, through the cloud or using a hybrid of both, to help control TCO and fit into any agency's needs.

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BODY WORN EVIDENCE CAPTURE SYSTEM

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ARBITRATOR BODY WORN CAMERA

HARDWARE SPECS

COMPONENT	SPECIFICATION
■ Dimensions Main Controller	3.30" H x 2.53/2.41" W x 1.02/0.83" T
■ Dimensions 2nd Camera	0.89" H x 0.89" V x 1.48" L
■ Weight Main Controller	Less than 130g
■ Weight 2nd Camera	Less than 45g
■ Drop Test	
■ IP54 Rating	
■ Wide Angle Lens	(H:130 degrees / V:73 degrees)
■ Memory	32GB
■ Battery Life	8 Hours
■ Optional Extended Battery	
■ Warranty	Varies

VIDEO / CAMERA / AUDIO

COMPONENT	SPECIFICATION
■ Video Resolution	720p / 360p
■ Video Format	Proprietary format
■ Frame Rate (FPS)	30fps
■ 16:9 Aspect Ratio	
■ Digital Photo Resolution	1280 x 720 pixel 640 x 360 pixel
■ Audio Mute during Recording	
■ Pre-record Video	[30 seconds max]
■ Pre-record Audio	[30 seconds max]

FEATURES

COMPONENT	SPECIFICATION
■ One-touch Record	
■ One-touch Photo	
■ Time/Date Stamp	
■ Instant Playback	
■ Instant File Tagging	
■ Password Protection	
■ Recharge Time	3 Hours
■ GPS Location Tagging	
■ GPS Time Sync	
■ Time Zone	Eastern Daylight Saving Time (DST)
■ Vibration Alert	
■ Docking Station	



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BODY WORN EVIDENCE CAPTURE SYSTEM

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Body Worn Camera Initiative

Budget Narrative

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How the funds will be Used

The entire budget for the body worn camera program is approx. \$42,000.00. The \$21,000.00 federal grant monies will be slated to enhance the project for faster completion while still meeting the needs of our citizen/agency concerns regarding body worn cameras by police. The federal grant monies will be used entirely for the body worn cameras and storage system for the Baraboo Police Department. Each body worn camera purchase price is slated (currently) to be approx. \$900.00 with the remaining funds to be used to accommodate the hardware/software needs for storage of the video.

The excess costs associated with the project over the amount of the grant funds will be paid for out of the City of Baraboo Budget allocation.

The cameras we have selected are the Panasonic Personal Body Worn Cameras. We are working to assure our entire video library (squad video, body worn video and evidentiary video) can be stored and utilized via one specific back-end storage and retrieval means. This will assure faster retrieval of video for any evidentiary or other need.

Itemized Breakdown

- Federal Funds = \$21,000.00
 - The federal funds will be used to purchase several 24 of the needed 28 body worn cameras for patrol officers. Body Camera's are currently estimated at \$900.00ea. just for the camera hardware.

- City Budget Allocation = \$25,000.00
 - The federal funds will not be enough to complete the purchase of all camera's and storage system needs nor will it cover training costs. The City of Baraboo will budget and pay the excess costs associated with the non- covered items. Current estimates for storage/training/additional hardware and software are \$25,000.00.

**Baraboo Police Department
Monthly Activity Report
April 2015**

	Current Month	Current Year to Date	Prior Year to Date	Change	Percentage Change
Calls for Service					
Burglaries	3	15	10	5	50.00%
Thefts	31	157	115	42	36.52%
Criminal Damage	6	23	14	9	64.29%
Assist other agencies	75	251	259	-8	-3.09%
Assists - West Baraboo	2	16	10	6	60.00%
Animal Complaints	21	74	74	0	0.00%
Total of all Calls	806	2,932	3,110	-178	-5.72%

Traffic Crashes					
Total Traffic Crashes	28	92	100	-8	-8.00%
Persons Killed	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Persons Injured	5	18	12	6	50.00%
Pedestrians Injured	0	0	0	0	0.00%

Enforcement Activity					
Adult Notices of Appearance	74	344	331	13	3.93%
Drug Charges	19	47	71	-24	-33.80%
Traffic Citations	313	1382	2,346	-964	-41.09%
OWI Arrests	3	23	61	-38	-62.30%
Seatbelt Violations	45	123	236	-113	-47.88%
Traffic Warnings	135	691	1,000	-309	-30.90%
Juvenile Offenses	53	186	153	33	21.57%
Curfew Violations	0	0	7	-7	-100.00%
Underage Alcohol Citations	1	15	22	-7	-31.82%
Parking Citations	206	1,394	508	886	174.41%

Fines and Fees					
Court Fines	\$5,136.03	\$24,702.51	\$26,130.87	-\$1,428.36	-5.47%
Parking Fines	\$4,755.63	\$22,702.66	\$12,620.00	\$10,082.66	79.89%
Police Department Fees	\$152.55	\$703.65	\$258.15	\$445.50	172.57%



POLICE LINE

The Baraboo Police Department Newsletter

May 2015

From the Chief

On May 11, we celebrated our local law enforcement on the Courthouse square, here in Baraboo. We took time to honor the men and women who have come before us as well as thank the men and women who serve today. Partnered with the Optimist Club, there were some short speeches and rendering of honors.

As part of our continued Police Week Celebration, Mayor Mike Palm read a proclamation on Tuesday at the Council meeting and we gave out citizen awards. Three citizens were recognized for their efforts to assist others in the community. On Thursday, the police department had the first of what I hope is an annual tradition of a family picnic to honor the members of the department and the families who support them.

It is easy for us to get wrapped up in how busy we are at work and home as we meet all of our obligations. I was very happy and proud to take the time to honor our officers this last week in small ways and am very confident in the professionals who serve our community. These men and women understand the dedication it takes to do the job and have the fortitude to continue their work in light of difficult political times.

Anniversaries

In May, we celebrate the anniversaries of Detective David Frie, 11 years, Officer Trent Bentilla 9 years, Officer Brandon Vrchota 6 years, Admin Assistant Megan Marshall 1 year.

Equipment Profile

Computers are one of our most important tools. We use them to write reports, tickets and almost every other job we do in a shift. Currently we are using the Panasonic Toughbook CF31.



This computer is designed for the rigors of law enforcement and is shock and water resistant. Each squad has a laptop assigned and is hooked to a thermal printer with WIFI connectivity through cell service.

Citizen Awards

The Chief issued three Citizen Merit Awards in May for members of our community who went above and beyond. The awards were for:

Kelly Luther. Kelly was working out at Anytime Fitness when she witnessed another patron in distress. She called for help then started CPR. Arriving officers utilized an AED and the male subject was resuscitated. While officers were working on the male subject, Kelly assisted the family which was present.

Sgt. Adam Purdy, USMC. Sgt. Purdy was home in Baraboo with his wife and child. An officer was dealing with an uncooperative subject who ended up running because he had drugs and was on probation. Sgt. Purdy witnessed the officer pursuing the subject and assisted by taking the subject to the ground and holding him until the officer was able to secure him into handcuffs.

William Haskins. William was awoken to a fire alarm in his apartment complex. When he opened his door, he found fire in the hall which he put out with an extinguisher. His quick actions prevented the fire from spreading and helped save people who would have been trapped in the building.