Present: Skogen, Knops, Willingham, Schneider, Hall, Kaminski, Hahn and Mike Hraban

1. Meeting was called to order by Chairman Skogen at 8:00 AM.

2. Knops/Schneider motion to approve the agenda, motion carried.

3. Willingham/Knops motion to approve the January 12, 2011 meeting minutes, Schneider questioned the Toycen bids, motion carried.

4. Rusk County Emergency Management/Ambulance Director presentation
   b. New Business
      1. Director Tom Hall presented the monthly report.
         a. Willingham/Schneider motion to approve the upcoming training requested for Hall, 6 EMT’s and Revak, motion carried.
         b. Schneider/Knops motion to pay the bills, motion carried.

5. Finance has requested a flat rate for nurse transfers be established and reviewed in six months. The average time in the past is 6 units (1.5 hours) at $1 per minute, received 30% payback. Medicare doesn’t pay anything for this; however, private insurance will pay some. Willingham/Schneider motion to Finance to recommend their approval, motion carried.

6. Electronic signatures on payroll materials – Willingham/Knops motion to consider allowing electronic signatures for payroll and submit to Finance for consideration, motion carried.

7. Ambulance bid award – there is $87,000 in the budget for a new ambulance. Hall recommends purchasing a remount. Discussion on diesel vs. gas. Schneider/Knops motion to purchase 1-R at a cost of $86,483.00, motion carried.

8. Resolution for non-billable conditions – Schneider/Willingham motion to amend resolution to include immediate family, motion carried. Schneider/Willingham motion to approve resolution as amended, motion carried.

9. Rock Rally – The ambulance service would like to have a contract for Rock Rally. Hall will work out a contract/proposal and bring to the next meeting.

Mike Hraban questioned the Big Falls Dam – Hall spoke with Big Falls personnel and was advised they will bore more holes and come up with a plan.

Hraban advised the committee that the Planning Commission will meet with Canadian National in regards to a 250’ tower, opening the rail route from Cameron to Ladysmith, and that the round-about is off the table, intersection is staying as is. Will be looking at ways to improve the intersection.
5. Rusk County Coroner presentation
   a. New Business
      1. Monthly report - Kasi Ewert presented the January 2011 monthly report. There were 11 total calls; four were hospice and one was suicide. Coroner training will be in April. Cremation fees will be billed three times per year. Committee requested the van mileage be included on the monthly report. Ewert advised the mileage was zero in January. Ewert does not want to pay tax on the van and the extra time to travel to Ladysmith for the van. The van will be used to transport bodies. Liability issues were discussed. Ewert will speak with Cassandra to have this clarified. Ewert advised there will not be any personal use with this van.
      a. Payment of bills – no bills.

Knops/Schneider motion to approve the Coroner’s presentation, motion carried.

6. Rusk County Sheriff presentation
   a. New Business
      a. There were no training requests.

he upcoming D’Amico trial will cost the department overtime. Judge Cray is requesting a female bailiff with the costs billed to the Clerk of Court. The Lybert trial is scheduled in April. The court pays the jury fees, the District Attorney pays expert witness fees, and the Sheriff’s department pays overtime. The overtime will be for deputy witness fees as well as their shifts need to be filled. Calls for service were reviewed. Inmate housing A/R was $6,760.88 – all Washburn County holds. Overtime was reviewed. Chief Deputy Hahn presented a handout with the summary of each month’s vacant hours and how they are filled. The Judge is running court five days a week which requires court security.

The department is advertising for a part-time female dispatch/jailer.

   b. Bills total $32,513.12. Knops/Willingham motion to pay the bills and approve the monthly report, motion carried.

   2. Rusk Co. Address and Road Name Ordinance – Sheriff Kaminski reported on the updates, the intent, and that some wordage has been cleaned up. The Corp Council updated the changes. This will require a public hearing. The public hearing will be March 9, 2011 at 9 AM. Willingham/Knops motion to recommend the changes and forward to a public hearing, motion carried.

Sheriff Kaminski advised a grant has been submitted through Dean Meyer and the fire chiefs to include address signs, not street signs. The fire department would install the signs on 7’ posts and be reimbursed through this grant.

Discussion on alarm systems in Rusk County - there is an ordinance covering false alarms, notices, and citations.

Sheriff Kaminski is hoping to receive local donation money to supplement the Project Lifesaver grant.

7. Reports from committee members – nothing to add.

8. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 9, 2011 at 8:00 AM. The public hearing will be held at 9:00 AM.

9. Knops/Schneider motion to adjourn at 10:00 AM, motion carried.