

Aitkin County Board of Commissioners
Request for County Board Action/Agenda Item Cover Sheet



To: Chairperson, Aitkin County Board of Commissioners Date: 2-16-12

Via: Patrick Wussow, County Administrator

From: Scott Turner, Sheriff

Title of Item:

2011 Coroner Statistics

Requested Meeting Date: 2-28-12 Estimated Presentation Time: Consent Agenda

Presenter: _____

Type of Action Requested (check all that apply)

- For info only, no action requested
- For discussion only with possible future action
- Let/Award Bid or Quote (attach copy of basic bid/quote specs or summary of complex specs, each bid/quote received & bid/quote comparison)
- Approve/adopt proposal by motion
- Authorize filling vacant staff position
- Request to schedule public hearing or sale
- Request by member of the public to be heard
- Item should be addressed in closed session under MN Statute _____
- Approve under Consent Agenda
- Adopt Ordinance Revision
- Approve/adopt proposal by resolution (attach draft resolution)
- Other (please list) _____

Fiscal Impact (check all that apply)

- Is this item in the current approved budget? Yes _____ No _____ (attach explanation)
- What type of expenditure is this? Operating Capital Other (attach explanation)
- Revenue line account # that funds this item is: _____
- Expenditure line account # for this item is: _____

Staffing Impact (Any yes answer requires a review by Human Resources Manager before going to the board)

- Duties of a department employee(s) may be materially affected. Yes No
- Applicable job description(s) may require revision. Yes No
- Item may impact a bargaining unit agreement or county work policy. Yes No
- Item may change the department's authorized staffing level. Yes No



Supporting Attachment(s)

- Memorandum Summary of Item
- Copy of applicable county policy and/or ordinance (excerpts acceptable)
- Copy of applicable state/federal statute/regulation (excerpts acceptable)
- Copy of applicable contract and/or agreement
- Original bid spec or quote request (excluding complex construction projects)
- Bids/quotes received (excluding complex construction projects, provide comparison worksheet)
- Bid/quote comparison worksheet
- Draft County Board resolution
- Plat approval check-list and supporting documents
- Copy of previous minutes related to this issue
- Other supporting document(s) (please list) Letter from Michael B. McGee, M.D., Medical Examiner

Provide eleven (11) copies of supporting documentation NO LATER THAN Wednesday at Noon to make the Board's agenda for the following Tuesday. Items WILL NOT be placed on the Board agenda unless complete documentation is provided for mailing in the Board packets. (see reverse side for details)

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MEMO

To: Aitkin County Board of Commissioners Date: February 16, 2012

From: Sheriff Scott Turner Re: 2011 Coroner Statistics

Attached is a copy of the 2011 Medical Examiner Statistics for 2011. Along with these statistics, I would like to say that we are very pleased with the services provided by Dr. McGee and the staff at the Ramsey County Medical Examiner's Office. Also in 2011 Dr. McGee came to Aitkin and presented a training for the law enforcement personnel who serve as deputy medical examiners for Aitkin County.

If you have any questions about this service, please do not hesitate to call



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Sheriff Scott Turner
 Aitkin County Sheriff's Office
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RE: Medical examiner statistics January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011

Dear Sheriff Turner,

This letter will provide a summary of the medical examiner's statistics for the year 2011.

A total of 61 deaths were reported from Aitkin County during the year. Of this number, 30 were accepted as medical examiner cases with the remaining 31 released with the private physician responsible for signing the death certificate. Examinations performed on the accepted medical examiner cases were as follows:

Complete autopsy with toxicology	23
External examination with toxicology	0
Death certificate signed without examination	7
Total cases accepted	30

A break down of all reported cases by manner included;

Naturals	50
Accidents	9
Suicides	2
Homicides	0
Undetermined	0

During the same time period, a total of 36 terminal registrations were made with 107 cases reviewed for cremation approval.

If, after reviewing this letter, you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Michael B. McGee, M.D.
 Medical Examiner

