

AGENDA
JAIL NEEDS SUBCOMMITTEE
MEETING-5th Floor-Conference Room
FEBRUARY 11, 2026 – 2:00 PM

- A. Call to order
- B. Roll call
- C. Approval of agenda/additions
- D. Approval of January 29, 2026 minutes
- E. Public Comments
- F. New Business
 - a. Update on Jail Committee/Board of Commissioners
 - b. Dessalier's scenarios
 - c. LaCosse's system
- G. Old Business
 - a. Updates on Action Items from 1-12-2026
- H. Public Comments
- I. Next meeting schedule
- J. Adjournment

ACTION ITEMS FROM LAST MEETING:

1. ACTION: Faith Morrison will ask Administrator Rheault, Roy Britz, and Tom Tikkanen if the county's audit document contains the values of all its properties.
2. ACTION: Sherrif will talk to Chelsea Rheaux, Roy Britz, Jared Hyrkas, and Joel Keranen to consider running a public event to let the public weigh in on the location of the jail before action is taken to decide on the location.
3. ACTION: The Sheriff will check on the challenges of designing a courtroom at the new jail so that members of the public could attend hearings at the jail.
4. ACTION: The Sheriff said he would need to talk to legal advisors about the proposed videos.
5. ACTION: Morrison will work with the Sheriff to see if we can make a video as a proof of concept. Would have to pass legal muster, however.
6. ACTION: Sherrif will track down narratives of how the job of law enforcement in Houghton County has evolved over the last 20 years.

7. ACTION: Morrison will consider a press release with the inmate history discussed above.
8. ACTION: Sheriff will have an update on the police blotter at a later date.
9. ACTION: Faith Morrison will stop and see Todd VanDyke and request a series of public service announcements.
10. ACTION: Sheriff will get a more in-depth list of spaces the current jail has and what they should be together.
11. ACTION: Faith Morrison will continue looking into the square footages listed in the Master Plan.