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Kathleen Kobylski, County Clerk
220 East State Street
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Re: Meeting where funds were appropriated for criminal investigation

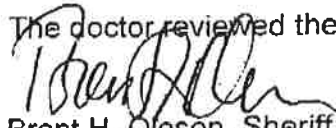
Dear Kathy,

You requested a copy of the Committee Meeting where Chairman Alan Peterson approved funds for the Stacy Hartje investigation.

The Hartje case was originally charged by the Juneau County District Attorney's Office. As the result of the Edmunds Court Decision and new counsel for Ms. Hartje, then District Attorney Scott Southworth did not feel comfortable proceeding with the charges and dismissed them without prejudice. Due to the facts of the case, I requested D.A. Southworth to allow the State of Wisconsin Attorney General's Office to review the case for charging if the State deemed charges were warranted. Mr. Southworth agreed and wrote the Attorney General's Office requesting a review.

The State agreed to review the Hartje case. However, they advised they would have a doctor knowledgeable in these types of cases review the case and then determine if charges were warranted. The State advised that in the past these medical reviews have cost as much as \$10,000.00, and that Juneau County would be responsible for these costs. It was at this point that I advised Chairman Alan Peterson that I might need additional funds for the investigation. The discussion took place in the hallway outside the Sheriff's Office. To my recollection there was never a meeting where fund appropriations were discussed or set aside.

The doctor reviewed the case but only charged the county for mileage.


Brent H. Oleson, Sheriff