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Office of the Sheriff

Jesse Jahner, Sheriff

June 22nd, 2023

Chad Peterson, Chair

Cass County Commission

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Commission Chair Peterson,

As the commission is aware, the Kindred School District has asked for a full-time School Resource Deputy for the school year beginning August 2023. Currently, Kindred splits time for School Resource Deputy Services with the Mapleton School District. Kindred's request for full-time hours leaves Mapleton short a School Resource Deputy. In addition, I have a person assigned to a new Federal Interdiction Effort who is filling that role part-time, and I would like to make that position a full-time position. I am asking the commission to add a deputy/position to fulfill the 20-hour Mapleton School request and fill the other part of the Interdiction effort. Please keep in mind that the Mapleton School District will be paying \$28,603.04 of that person's salary. Regarding equipment, we intend to use a vehicle and equipment currently in our fleet. I am asking for this position to begin August 1st, 2023 so the person selected can attend training in the beginning of August and start in the school at the beginning of the 2023 school year.

The Federal Interdiction Effort has been a crucial part of intercepting narcotics that are being trafficked into our community. With the number of overdose deaths that are occurring and with addiction issues on the rise, we must utilize the tools that are effective in identifying and stopping narcotics trafficking into our communities. During our time assisting with the Federal Interdiction Effort, this group has intercepted several illegal narcotics, firearms, and cash currency from drug proceeds. In 2022 this group seized 166.5 pounds of marijuana, .68 pounds of cocaine, .52 pounds of fentanyl powder, 8.9 pounds of methamphetamine, 8.9 pounds of M30s, ten firearms, and \$317,763.00 in cash currency. In 2023 the group seized 94.8 pounds of marijuana, 2.6 pounds of mushrooms, 1.1 pounds of marijuana wax, 10.3 pounds of methamphetamine, 3.8 pounds of M30s, 2.4

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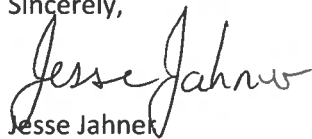
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pounds of cocaine, .41 pounds of Fentanyl powder, five firearms, and \$161,518.00 in cash currency. In 2022 the group assisted with 56 Federal Search Warrants. So far, in 2023, the group has assisted with 38 Federal Search Warrants. I am asking to add this person at the beginning of August so they can attend a training session at the beginning of the month and can begin to acquaint themselves with the Mapleton School

Suggested Motion

“Move to allow the Cass County Sheriff’s Office to add an additional staff member to fulfill the Mapleton School Resource Position and the other half of the Federal Interdiction Effort beginning August 1st, 2023”

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jesse Jahnek". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "J".

Jesse Jahnek
Cass County Sheriff

Sheriff's Office Commission Request
Commission Meeting 07-05-23

	<u>Now:</u>	<u>Future:</u>	<u>Change:</u>
Kindred:	0.5	1	0.5
Mapleton:	0.5	0.5	0
Federal Interdiction Effort:	0.5	1	0.5
Total:	1.5	2.5	1