

# Minutes – CJC

CRIMINAL JUSTICE MEETING	
1 PM	COUNTY BOARD ROOM
<b>Meeting Called to order</b>	Chairman - JUDGE EATON
<b>Attendees</b>	Judge Eaton, Mark Perrine, Nancy Thyberg, Katie Colgrove, Mick Brennan, Joanne Kulik, Matt Mackenzie, Kelly McKnight, Kathy Beeksma, Midge Montano, Brenda Spurlock, Anne Whiting, Mike Anderson, Madelaine Karwoski, Anthony Corbine, Karen Baker, Jerry Jorgenson, Terri Perry, Judy Putnam, Jeff Bierl, Tony Jones, Scott Hultman, Kent Tenney, Judy Putnam, <b>Excused:</b> Amy O'Donahue, Dan Miller, Clint Jusula, Mike Gardner, Randy Spangle, Kathy Beeksma

## **Minutes:**

Last month's minutes were reviewed with no changes recommended.

## **New members introduced:**

Mike Anderson, Anthony Corbine, Judy Putnam, Scott Hultman

## **Old Business**

### **By-Law Review**

Non-Voting Members may make motions. Judge Eaton's commented about by-laws and interpreting the by-laws it does allow for non-voting members to make motions.

### **Jail Population Review:**

There was a new system upgrade at the jail. Population at present was 38. Mike Anderson asked why the population is down from last year's population. Number of reasons, probation revocations occurring although it seems the probation hold numbers seem to remain the same percentage each month, number of straight jail sentences down, number of individuals doing conditional jail time is down.

### **New Business:**

TAD officer Scott Hultman gave a brief description of his job duties. His office is located on the third floor of the courthouse. His will be supervising non-violent offenders with Alcohol and other drug needs. Some potential cases are: deferred entry of Judgment cases, bail monitoring program, OWI cases. He will also be providing court house security. The TAD program is designed to save the county money through the reduction of jail bed use. Evidence based practices and monthly data reporting are used to compile data and effectiveness of programming.

The Judge reported on future use of TAD will include individuals who are in jail because they can't post bail. They would be held for a couple of days and then an assessment would be completed. Release and monitoring would occur after they have been determined to be appropriate for the program.

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Juvenile offenders and custody: Tony Jones gave a report of costs last year for incarceration and transportation of juvenile offenders to secure custody. 50,000 miles driven, \$35,000 cost for housing. Unless the juvenile commits a new crime they can only be held in secure in Marathon County. If they commit a new crime the jail can house for 48 hours and then they need to be transported to Marathon County.

Judy Putnam reported that social services is supervising about 80 juveniles. Judge stated that the goal is to: first, keep child in the home; then a combination of things may occur including graduated sanctions, giving opportunities to respond to offered change. Secure is really the last choice to be used.

Sheriff Brennan reported that his officers will be meeting with Town Boards and discuss possible community service opportunities in each township.

Discussion of the Prentice House and juvenile issues.

Discussion regarding sex offenders in community and DOC's mandate to return sex offenders to county of conviction.

Human Services has individuals going to the jail to provide different learning services.

Round Robin:

Kelly McKnight commented on a need for more programming and services for inmates in jail.

Sheriff Brennan reported on programming in the jail. Kathy Beeksma just completed a course for inmates. There is planning going on for further education programming; currently in the planning stage.

Terry S. commented on domestic violence classes, there are none currently but Corrections is in the process of getting programming in place.

Karen Baker, School District, planning going on for a visual campaign for education of parents and students on alcohol abuse to be presented in the Ashland Schools.

Madelaine K. relayed information about a grant writing workshop to be held in Washburn.

Ann Whiting: there has been an increase in synthetic drug use by teenagers in the drug court program.

Judge: Synthetic drug arrests, not any in area. DA commented they are hard to prosecute because of chemical changes that are continually being made to the compounds. Sellers are labeling with other chemicals. There will be an attempt to get Chief BeBeau to report to the CJC at the next meeting regarding synthetic sales within the city. These drugs are more dangerous than the illegal THC.

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Subcommittee established to investigate ways to stop use and sales within the city.

Anthony Corbine: Bad River Boys and Girls Club are working with teens to deal with “dusting”. Kids using duster canister’s to get high.

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**Next meeting, February 28<sup>th</sup>, 1pm, County Board room, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of courthouse.**