

CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL
Minutes – February 20, 2014

Call to Order. Chair Gubbin called the meeting of the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council to order at 3:03 P.M. in the Courthouse Conference Center on the second floor of the Rock County Courthouse-East.

Committee Members Present: Tom Gubbin, Max Arriaga, Regina Dunkin, Rich Gruber, Lance Horozewski, Steve Howland, Charles Jones, Sandra Kraft, David O'Leary, Deputy Chief John Olsen (for Chief Moore), Eric Nelson, William Rankin, Erik Chellevoid (for Sheriff Spoden).

Committee Members Absent: Judge Daley, Lorenzo Henderson, Charmian Klyve and Marv Wopat.

Staff Members Present: Elizabeth Pohlman McQuillen, Criminal Justice System Planner/Analyst; Craig Knutson, County Administrator; Kris Koeffler, Deferred Prosecution Director.

Others Present: Judge Barbara McCrory, Judge Richard Werner, Judge Daniel Dillon, Judge Michael Fitzpatrick, Gail Richardson, District Court Admin.; John Voelker, Director of State Courts; Sarah Johnson, Janesville Mobilizing 4 Change; Todd Erickson, Former L.E.O. & D.O.C.; Kim Roegner, Consigny Law Firm; Oxford House, Inc.; Neil Deupree, Candy Schenk, Ethel Below and Lynda Owens.

Approval of Agenda. Supervisor Howland moved approval of the agenda, second by Mr. Jones. ADOPTED.

Approval of Minutes from January 16, 2014. Mr. Gruber moved approval of the minutes of January 16, 2014, second by Mr. Nelson. ADOPTED.

State Court funding Structure Presentation from John Voelker, Director of State Courts. Mr. Voelker distributed a handout to the Committee regarding the Wisconsin Judicial Branch Funding Structure. Mr. Voelker explained in detail the handout and stated that the 2013-15 state biennial budget requires the court system to lapse \$11.8 million to the state general fund. Mr. Voelker said this is the largest cut in history and he wants to start educating people on how our system is funded. Mr. Knutson shared the county tax levy information and stated how the county cannot charge more per tax levy to cover cuts.

Evidence Based Decision Making Debrief and Next Steps. Chair Gubbin said a nine member delegation (Chair Gubbin, Ms. Pohlman McQuillen, Sheriff Spoden, Commander Chellevoid, Mr. O'Leary, Mr. Nelson, Ms. Klyve, Chief Moore, and Ms. Koeffler) attended the Evidence-Based Decision Making (EBDM) Summit in Madison. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen distributed the agenda along with a two-page summary of notes from the Summit. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen went over the summary and answered the questions from the Committee. Chair Gubbin stated there would be a meeting with the key decision makers and stakeholders to determine how to proceed and obtain buy-in.

Support for Federal Adult Drug Court Discretionary Grant. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen stated that none of the treatment courts would be applying for this grant at this time.

Grants Update Ms. Pohlman McQuillen said the Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Grant Program grant is finally starting to move along. She said the approval for a Social Worker will go before the County Board next week.

Discussion Regarding Law Enforcement Concerns. Nothing at this time.

Discussion Regarding Future Areas for CJCC Focus/Action. Ms. Koeffler inquired about assessment tools currently in place at the jail and on the street and what the differences were.

Citizen Participation and Announcements. Supervisor Kraft presented Ms. Pohlman McQuillen a cyclamen in honor of her 6-year anniversary with Rock County. Ms. Sarah Johnson from Janesville Mobilizing 4 Change distributed a handout to the Committee regarding City Ordinance 5.06.120 requiring alcohol sales to be separate from other retail areas. Ms. Johnson said a recent proposal has emerged encouraging the City Council members to eliminate this long-standing ordinance in Janesville. Ms. Johnson shared the positive effect this ordinance has on the city. Ms. Dunkin mentioned an upcoming event (Incarceration Epidemic: Crisis in Wisconsin) Wednesday, February 26th in Mayer Hall at Beloit College. Ms. Dunkin and Sheriff Spoden will be among the panelists at the forum.

Future Meeting Date: March 20, 2014. Chair Gubbin said the next CJCC meeting would be March 20, 2014, in the Courthouse Conference Center, 2nd Floor, Courthouse East Wing, at 3:00 P.M.

Adjournment. Chair Gubbin adjourned at 4:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Zastoupil
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