



Clinton County Justice Coordinating Commission
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MEETING MINUTES

DATE: February 19th, 2015
TIME: 3:30p.m.
LOCATION: CCC – Room 139

Members Present: Becky Eskildsen and Kim Ralston, MHSA; Rick Lincoln, Sheriff; Dan Srp, BOS; Jack Wolfe, Bar Assoc.; Kelly Greenwalt, DOC; Craig Eberhart, Jail; Mark Lawson, District Court; Lisa Leslie, Clerk; Mike Wolf, County Attorney.

Members Not Present: GAPA , Citizens, and Assoc. Court

Staff and Guests Present: Margaret Kuhl, CCJCC Coordinator; Tara Sbertoli, Sheriff's Office; Gabe Gluba, ASAC; Dave Vickers, KROS; and John Rohlf, Clinton Herald.

Quorum: Not Present (9)

I. Call Meeting To Order by Mike Wolf, Chair

The meeting was called to order by Mike Wolf at 3:35pm. A quorum was not present. Meeting minutes from January's meeting will be tabled for next month's meeting.

II. Vice Chair appointment

Quorum not present

III. Financial Report

Balance: \$38,812.86

IV. Committee Reports (Please remember open meeting rules & posting)

Court Issues – A meeting was held on Feb 10th group discussed the purchase of Skype for weekend initial appearances and out of town attorney visits. The county attorney's office has offered to pay for this project. Judge Lawson will also be visiting with Scott County judges to begin drug court project. There will be a drug court meeting on February 27 at 9am also.

Mental Health –Next meeting March 16th.

Jail Planning – Craig Eberhart, Rick Lincoln and Cory Johnson from county maintenance attended American Correctional Association Conference in Long Beach upon the advice of our architect firm. The group had hoped for more information as this conference was geared more toward large prisons, but they did return home with new information that will assist in future planning of a new facility. They attended workshops and viewed a large amount of vendors.



Some workshops included information about cost savings through controlling water usage by inmates, inmates and television, telemedicine, video visiting and costs associated with system. Margaret has been working with Shive Hattery negotiating costs of evaluations of 4 final sites and this task should be complete at the beginning of March.

V. Jail Advocacy

The focus will now begin to be on Public Outreach – educating the PUBLIC! Margaret passed out a list of talking points for the community. Topics include Responsibility, Inadequate Facility, Cost Savings for Citizens, liability, Renovation, safety and security, PREA, Concerns for CO's, options of doing nothing, and Replacement Costs. Our goals for public outreach include a 30-60 second statement, a 15-20 minute presentation, and letter to the editor utilizing the talking points from above. Group discussion included some great ideas and Margaret encourages everyone to forward ideas to her and we will discuss at the next meeting. Idea given by Dan Srp was "Less for New" – the maintenance and upkeep of our current facility will cost more than bonds. This is less expensive and people need to hear options from this angle. Group also discussed a virtual tour of the jail (because from the outside it looks good.) a power point of why we need a new facility for the website as well.

VI. Room & Board Discussion

The jail room and board fees have been \$10 per day for 16 years and the sheriff and jail administrator would like to discuss raising it to \$25 with the rise in costs. A poll was taken among Iowa counties with 40 responding counties, which averages to \$42 per day. Members discussed charges vs. collected. Issue was tabled to next month's agenda for vote.

VII. Coordinator's update

Margaret attended a NACM Conference in Texas this month. Training she attended included drug court, citizen's sovereign, paper terrorism, clerk of court security and also heard key note speaker Judge John Cleland, who spoke about integrity. Drug court recommendations included judges coordinating with drug court, training, adequate drug testing capabilities and success planning. There will also be training held in July through the NADCP, for more information please contact Margaret.

VIII. Adjournment

Meeting ended at 1632 hours.

Next meeting: March 19,2015 3:30pm

Respectfully submitted by:

Tara Shertoli – Commission Recorder