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CCJCC Jail Site Selection meeting minutes, December 4, 2014  
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Present at meeting: Corey Johnson, Sheriff Lincoln, Margaret Kuhl, Todd Kinney, Terri Boussetot, Matt Willimack, John Eisenman, Chance Kness, Eric Dau, Brian Schmidt, Craig Eberhart, Mike Mormon and Brian McKenrick

Media partners present: Dave Vickers, KROS and Nick Joos, the Observer

I. Meeting called to order at 6:08. Corey Johnson motioned and Matt Willimack seconded to approve minutes.

II. Give names for Community Outreach/advocacy group to Coordinator Kuhl.

III. Use criteria to evaluate list & get list to four possible jail sites:

Todd K. – We started with 13 criteria. We started with yes/no answers....Now we have sites that have passed initial screening.. We could either screen or rank..Lower ranked sites will be eliminated ...Feasibility for construction, purchase will impact cost. RE: water, sewer, zoning – we can make some judgment based on where it is in Clinton. We will require larger sewer & water line (Sheriff Lincoln).

Mike Mormon (Shive Hattery)– said to throw out cost issue – think of in long term operating costs. Balance water/sewer issue with other factors.

M. Kuhl read comments from 3 folks.

Eric Dau said Johnson Co. has done this quite well. Paperwork can be transferred.

Matt W. & John E. said we needed to ask the question. Even if we build a jail off site – it is less than ten min. for transporting people or paperwork. We wanted to look at cost savings of not having to transport inmates for court.

Lifecycle costs will also have to be addresses. Sheriff said he wants to get down to four sites & have an architectural firm to do detailed cost analysis on 4 sites.

Chance – gave info. On secure video - Tanberg “Connected Justice” secured communication between video court issues.

Court issues – Skype was talked about for video court system.

Brian M. – still hesitant with court call/video – lose ability to read the person a bit.

Video can replace some things – but certainly not everything.



Matt W. – I can see the issues....Courts are made to be effective (not efficient) – Craig Eberhart – would still like to see small court room area at new jail (for weekend court).

Can see that Kim is trying to say that IF we put a court at the new jail – do it right. Life expectancy of new building - correctional buildings usually last long time. As designed are 50 year buildings or longer....ability to expand.

Sheriff – even if we don't do it at this time, it will be looked at down the road....

Mike M. – Jasper Co. has weekend court space – duality for technology (2005).

Decatur Co. 300 sq. ft = Court space & small Judges bench – wired & data for remote situation....

Question was asked "Does FEMA state we have to build for 100 flood?"– No we would not break any FEMA guidelines. Even if you elevate building, & levy would give – it would need to be abandoned anyway...need to get technology up & out.

Todd – Zone A does not encompass site now. When the county gets ready to prepare construction docs, the flood issue will be local issue.

John E. – ideally get to four sites? (one present location + 3 others...)

Thought : We had talked about setting up a complicated criteria/scale – what if we each rank sites 1-10....& come up with four clear possibilities? ...Later put through scientific test.

John Eisenman moved that each member take their data & whittle down to 5. Eric Dau seconded. Motion passed.

The group commenced with viewing the Power Point of Google maps for possible sites....6:50 p.m.

Corey voted to eliminate Site # 11 – not buildable site

Todd K. asked if the city of Clinton has a storm water ordinance? Dave Vickers stated that CHS , Walmart & CCC had to build detention ponds/detention basin.

Each group member marked their top five choices on the list..Votes were tallied.

The top four sites were:

1. #14 (Present location)
2. #6 (SW corner of Mill Creek & 13th Avenue North)
3. #4 (19th Avenue NW, east of Springdale Drive)
4. #23 (Mill Creek and Harts Mill Road - SW or SE corner)

Discussion: Do we need to look at zoning and water...maybe go look at properties?

Sheriff met with Co. Attorney RE: Open Meetings - Once we get to four properties & want to get to one – then can go into closed session. Cost analysis would come from engineering firm.



Mike M. – usually narrow down to four or five – architectural & engineering look.

Todd K. – need to have firm such as Shive Hattery evaluate.

We would need to go to CCJCC to get approval for hiring outside firm.

The site evaluation firm's decision will come back to this group & we would make recommendation to CCJCC for final site.

John E. made motion to inform CCJCC that we have arrived at four sites & we suggest they go to Shive Hattery – to do site analysis selection....specifically focused on analyzing the four sites. Todd K. – include Scope schedule fee to do analysis. Seconded by Corey J. Motion carried... Consult with Todd K. for wording.

Once Site Evaluation information comes back, we will send out email to reconvene

#### IV. Open Discussion –

Rick Lincoln: Auditor info about special election -

Cost for an election of this type would be \$35,000- \$40,000...

Possible dates are: March 3, May 5, Aug. 4 or Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Eric Dau – thinks we need to go further out than March or May.

Need concept drawings – cost analysis....

Mike M. - "Work back from high level time – You want to market 60 days prior.

60 days is sweet time frame." "Need 3 months conceptual design – drawings – cost ....Aug. would be quickest. Nov. would not be good."

Todd K.: If we go with present location, there will be lots of logistic items to work through.

Craig: for 2 – 3 years....parking will be huge issue.

Mike – put option on sale of land....IF referendum passes.

Vote date was discussed ...

John asked how soon do we have to reserve date with Auditor?

Brian M – if we get a not favorable vote because we have rushed, we have delayed it more....& have to do another cycle.

V. Adjourned at 7:55 p.m.