



Clinton County Justice Coordinating Commission
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MEETING MINUTES

Date: March 21, 2019

Time: 3:30 PM

Location: Clinton Community College – Room 139

Members Present: Steve Diesch, Carole Dunkin, Lori Elam, Becky Eskildsen, Gina Gregoire, Mark Lawson, Rick Lincoln, James McHugh, Carol Mielkey, Leslie Mussmann, Dave Porter, Kim Ralston, Dan Srp, Liz Srp,
Staff Present: Margaret Kuhl, Amanda Schwartz

Quorum: yes (12)

I. Call to Order, Introductions and Approval of 1/17/19 Minutes

Chair Porter opened the meeting at 3:30 PM with roll call. A motion to approve the January 17, 2019 minutes was moved by Supervisor Srp and seconded by Chief Deputy Diesch. Motion passed - all ayes

II. Financial Report

The FY 2019 budget amount remaining is \$39,238.76 as of today's meeting. A motion to approve the balance was moved by Sheriff Lincoln and seconded by Chief Deputy Diesch.

III. Committee Reports and Discussion

- Alternative Sanctions & Diversions: No updates
- Courts: No updates
- Jail Programming & Reentry: Sheriff Lincoln provided updates to the group about last week's meeting with Eastern Iowa Community College regarding cost, required equipment and testing space needed for inmates to take the High School Equivalency Exam. Supervisor Srp stated there are additional counseling services available through the HiSET program. The cost the county would be responsible for administering the testing would be \$53.75.
- Mental Health/Substance Abuse: The Program Manager position would oversee the jail programming. The Committee is still working on position details and funding for the position.
- Citizen Members: No updates

IV. Region Updates

- Lori Elam – Provided updates on the Peer Drop In Center located in DeWitt and soon locations in Scott and Muscatine County. These services are available to anyone in the region. There will be Crisis Stabilizing Residential Beds available in Scott County. There will be five beds and transportation details are being worked on. There will be mobile crisis expansion in all five counties by June. Bridge Prescriber appointments are available but are not being used much. Lori is promoting this service and the location is in the CHC facility in Clinton. Lori provided updates on the House File 690 - Children's Mental Health System Bill and the Mental Health Funding/Fund Balance- House File 691 which just passed through the house.
- Becky Eskildsen – There will be CIT Training held April 1-5 at the Wild Rose Casino in Clinton.

V. Discussion and Approval of 2019 Commission documents

- The CCJCC By Laws were last edited on November 19, 2018. Margaret Kuhl recapped the suggested By Law changes. A motion to approve the CCJCC By Laws as presented was moved by Sheriff Lincoln and seconded by Carole Dunkin.



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- The 2019 Committee list was presented by Supervisor Srp and reviewed by the group. The committees have been realigned to stay productive and continue to evolve due to projects and goals of the commission changing. The committees would meet on the off month that the CCJCC group does not meet to provide updates at the next CCJCC meeting. It is up to the Chair of that committee to set up the individual committee meeting dates. The committees will go into effect after this meeting. The group was in favor of the committee changes.
- The 2019 Strategic Goals were presented and reviewed by the group. It is the responsibility of the committee to fill in the action steps at the next individual committee meetings and report the action steps back to Margaret Kuhl to fill in the final strategic plan document. The goal is to have a long-term Strategic Plan to publish.

VI. Jail Overcrowding

- Chief Deputy Diesch stated there are about 10 inmates currently being held out of county. The female population is currently 14-15 inmates and there are only 4 available beds.

VII. New Law Center Updates

- Sheriff Lincoln stated the exterior brick is being installed. Once the brick is complete the windows will be installed. There are touch ups being made on some of the jail cells. The Communications Department will tentatively move over the week of May 6th. If that move is successful, the Sheriff's Office Administrative staff will move over 2 weeks after that date.
- There will be a lot of training for jail staff on cameras and door buttons in the jail. Final details for the soft opening for people staying overnight are being worked on. The State Jail Inspector must assess and approve the new building before the official new jail opens to be able to move the jail inmates into the new jail. The State Jail Inspector will review the current jail on April 1st and he will walk through the new jail facility then to see what will and won't pass. Any suggested changes can be made before the official jail inspection is conducted.
- Supervisor Srp explained the cleaning process of the exterior bricks on the new building.
- Chief Deputy Diesch and Supervisor Srp provided updates on the prospect purchase of the old gas station northwest of the law center based on removing the old fuel tanks and having the ground tested for any contamination. There is a grant being used to fund a majority of removing the tanks and testing the ground. This area is being planned to be used for overflow parking.
- Discussion occurred about losing the current courthouse and jail parking lot once the old law center is torn down and the new parking lot is then built.

Open Forum

Supervisor Srp stated the new Clinton County jail will not take additional inmates from surrounding counties at this time.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Sheriff Lincoln. The meeting adjourned at 4:32 PM. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 16, 2019 at 3:30 PM

Amanda Schwartz