

Ad Hoc Committee
Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee (CJCC)
Minutes of March 11, 2019

Committee Members Present: Thomas Power, Noelle Moeggenberg, Tom Bensley, Nate Alger, Robert Hentschel, Diana Bauer, Janet Mistele

Others Present: Sherise Shively, Chris Cramer

Meeting was called to order @ 7:38 a.m.

First Public Comment: None.

Election of Chairperson & Vice Chairperson:

Noelle Moeggenberg was nominated for Chairperson with no other nominations. A vote was taken and Noelle was elected unanimously.

Janet Mistele was nominated for Vice Chairperson with no other nominations. A vote was taken and Janet was elected unanimously.

Various meeting times were discussed and a decision was made to conduct the CJCC meetings on the 1st Thursday of each month at 5:15 p.m.

Chair Moeggenberg asked for suggested regarding goals and topics for which we would gather information and discuss at future meetings.

The statement regarding “goals” as taken from the creating resolution was referenced: “This committee shall be directly involved in developing a criminal justice needs assessment and master plan and will then make recommendations to appropriate local officials for action and implementation related to improving the jail and the criminal justice system”.

Future topics introduced and briefly discussed included

1) Bonds – amounts, how they are set, etc.

Shively identified that the information provided by Community Corrections to the Judges is the level of risk and recommended level of supervision. She added that she invited the DC Judges to the national conference that she attends each year. She uses the best practice guidelines that are recommended at that conference.

2) Forensic Center Issue – there is currently a 10 month waiting period for individuals who are not competent to stand trial and cannot be released but are not urgent cases for CMH. At times this wait can be longer than the maximum sentence allowed for the crime committed and these individuals have not yet been convicted. Can we use another forensic center? What other options do we have? This has become a problem in the last year and we need to talk to CMH.

3) Back-up for ATS for testing – Shively started meeting with a small group of interested parties regarding restrictions and they should be making recommendations.

In relation to above, Mistele asked about getting a copy of the bond. Neither defense nor prosecuting attorneys get a copy of the bond set. Shively will speak to Carol about a remedy.

Bensley asked about the 25 mile radius for warrants and discussion continued regarding lessening the impact on the jail.

Mental Health and NMRE may also be discussions in the future.

The April 4th meeting will focus on the Bond issue. Sherise will work with Noelle and report back next month.

The May meeting will focus and Forensic Issues and appropriate specialists will be invited to speak.

There was no second public comment.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 a.m.