



Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee

Thursday November 5, 2009 – 1:30 p.m.
Room 100 – Otsego County Building
225 West Main Gaylord, MI 49735

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Johnson called the meeting to order at 1:30 PM

Members Present – Present: Doug Johnson, Paul Liss, Mike Hyde, John Burt, Erma Backenstose, Sheriff McBride, Brian Webber, Rachel Frisch, Vicki Courterier, Mike Turnbull, Kyle Legel

Others present: Nancy Morgridge

NEW BUSINESS

A. Presentation on Gateway to Recovery – Kevin O’Hare

Mr. O Hare was unable to attend the meeting. We will reschedule for a later date.

B. Department/Agency Updates

Brian Webber, Jail Administrator

Mr. Webber reported that there are 46 inmates in the jail this morning, with a high population of un-sentenced felons. There have been very few work camp participants lately, and the work camp has not been able to fulfill the City DPW request for workers. Mr. Webber also reported that the ventilation project is ongoing.

Mike Turnbull, Michigan Department of Corrections

Mr. Turnbull reported that the Camp Lehman and Standish prison facilities have been closed. Inmates have been transferred to other facilities. We did not get any direct increase in parolees as a result of the closings.

Nancy Morgridge, Catholic Human Services

Ms. Morgridge reported that CHS continues to work closely with the drug court program. The Moral Reconciliation Therapy (MRT) program for the jail inmates will be broken into two smaller groups. The therapy is more effective with the smaller the group.

Vicki Courterier, Court Administrator

Ms. Courterier reported that the drug court continues to go well.

Kyle Legel, Prosecuting Attorney

Mr. Legel reported that his office is working with the police agencies to have them e-mail reports to his office instead of driving them over. Additionally, they are working with the defense attorneys to also start e-mailing reports to them, instead of printing them. If defense attorneys still want the reports to be printed by the PA office, then they will be charged.

John Burt, County Administrator

Mr. Burt had nothing to report.

Paul Liss, County Commissioner, Vice Chairman of the Board

Mr. Liss reported that the negotiations with the POLC unions are in progress.

Rachel Frisch, County Finance Director

Ms. Frisch had nothing to report.

Mike Hyde, County Commissioner

Mr. Hyde reported that Ms. Oppermann and architect Brad Butcher have visited area animal shelters, to gather information to use in the plans for the proposed new Otsego County Animal Shelter.

Erma Backenstose, County Commissioner

Ms. Backenstose had nothing to report.

Mr. Johnson, County Commissioner, CJCC Committee Chair

Mr. Johnson reported on the H1N1 vaccine clinics. The Health Department is trying to control the crowds at its clinics and has asked to have law enforcement present. The Sheriff has assisted by providing deputies at the request of the Health Department and the Schools where the clinics are located.

The next meeting date is set for January 19th at 10:00 am.

Mr. Johnson adjourned the meeting at 2:00 PM.