

JUDICIARY AND LAW COMMITTEE

Tuesday, December 11, 2012
Administrative Center – Room 3220
2:30 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Vicki Burke, Ray Ebert, Tammy Gamroth, Robert Keil, and Thomas Downer – excused at 3:03 p.m.

MEMBERS EXCUSED: None

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF & GUESTS: Steve O'Malley, Jane Klekamp, Jeff Wolf, Doris Daggett, Sharon Hampson, and Marion Naegle

ROLL CALL/CALL TO ORDER

Chair Vicki Burke called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.

APPROVE COMMITTEE MINUTES OF OCTOBER 9, 2012

MOTION by Keil/Gamroth to approve the Committee Minutes of October 9, 2012. **Motion carried unanimously.**

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION by Downer/Keil to approve the CJMC minutes of September 19, 2012. **Motion carried unanimously.**

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

CONFERENCE/MEETING REPORT

None reported.

SQUAD CAR BIDS

Chief Deputy Wolf asked for the bid from Brenengen Ford – Sparta be approved for five squads which are budgeted for in 2013. The approved budgeted amount is \$140,000. The purchase is for two marked sedan and three marked SUV squads in the amount of \$126,657.50. The remaining money will be used for full change over and equipment for each squad. **MOTION** by Ebert/Keil to approve the five squads in the amount of \$126,657.50. **Motion carried unanimously.**

HISTORY OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

Jane Klekamp presented a PowerPoint on the History of the CJMC

What is the Criminal Justice Management Council?

The Sentencing Strategies Committee began in 1993 and in 1995 Justice Sanctions was created to implement programs identified by the Sentencing Strategies Committee as crime reducing and cost effective. The Sentencing Strategies Committee came up with three main ideas: 1) Smaller jail; 2) Smart alternatives; and 3) Programming. In 2000, the Criminal Justice Management Council was created. In 2001, the CJMC requested time from the Law Enforcement & Judiciary Committee to research and make recommendations regarding the increasing community safety and reducing costs.

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The goals of the Criminal Justice System:

- Efficiency: economically apply available resources to accomplish statutory goals and improve public safety
- Effectiveness: proper regard for equity, proportionality, constitutional protections and public safety outcomes
- Fairness: equal treatment and handling of similarly situated offenders

Principles of Evidence Based Practices for correctional clients

At one time, it was believed that people would stop behavior through punishment, humiliation and penitence, but we know that doesn't work.

Research-Based Practice:

- Improves outcomes, especially recidivism
- Increases public safety and reduces victimization
- Prevents harm
- Enhances collaboration
- Establishes research-driven decision making
- Targets funding toward the interventions that bring greatest returns

Effective correctional interventions means focusing on risk, needs, responsivity and fidelity.

Implementation of Evidence Based Practice in La Crosse County

2011-2010 CJMC Recommendations

- Expand electronic monitoring (2001)
- Implement Drug Treatment Court (2002)
- Closing the work release facility (2005)
- Implement an OWI (intoxicated drivers) Treatment Court (2006)
- Complete a systems assessment – the Carey Group (2007)
- Develop a program designed for women (2008)
- Incorporate mental health screenings and increase mental health services in the jail (2008)
- Participate in the Transition from Jail to Community Initiative (2009)
- Town Hall Meeting (2011)

UPDATE ON JAIL POPULATION

Jail Captain Daggett reported the following population totals: Sept. 219, Oct. 213, Nov. 186 and Dec. 171. Discussion ensued on why it is so difficult to decrease the female population. The consensus was that the Criminal Justice Management Council is contributing to lowering the population and their work should continue.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS - none

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING: JANUARY 8, 2013

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Keil/Gamroth to adjourn. **Motion carried unanimously with 1 excused – Downer.** The meeting adjourned at 3:24 p.m.

Disclaimer: The above minutes were approved at the January 8, 2013 meeting.
Marion Naegle, Recorder