

CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL

March 18, 2010

Call to Order. Chair Deupree called the meeting of the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council to order at 4:20 P.M. in the Courthouse Conference Center on the second floor of the Rock County Courthouse-East.

Committee Members Present: Neil Deupree, Supervisor William Grahn (for Supervisor Sandra Kraft), Regina Dunkin, Kelly Mattingly (for Eric Nelson), Ruth Bettin, Judge James Daley, Charmian Klyve, Art Thurmer, and Chief David Moore.

Committee Members Absent: Supervisor Marv Wopat, David O'Leary, Lorenzo Henderson, Jose Carrillo, Jan Devore, Rich Gruber, Ed Pearson, and Sheriff Robert Spoden.

Staff Members Present: Elizabeth Pohlman McQuillen, Criminal Justice Planner/Analyst; Greg Westness, Correctional Officer, Sheriff's Office.

Others Present: Supervisor Robert Fizzell; Tom Gubbin; Janna Janis, Rock Valley Community Programs; Tony Farrell Sr.

Approval of Agenda. Judge Daley moved approval of the agenda as presented, second by Chief Moore. ADOPTED.

Approval of Minutes of January 21, 2010. Supervisor Grahn moved approval of the minutes of January 21, 2010, second by Ms. Bettin. ADOPTED.

Discussion Regarding Public Disclosure of 4th OWI and Higher Offenders/ Notification to Establishments. Chief Moore discussed having the City of Janesville as a test project for a website map showing where these offenders live, what restrictions they have and a mug shot of them. He said there are 1,025 offenders in Rock County with four or more OWIs, with Janesville having 392. If residents in the rural areas are pulled from this number, he feels it will still be 200 +/- . Judge Daley said between 60% and 70% of the calendar call deals with drug or alcohol crimes. Mr. Mattingly asked if the offenders would be on the site for a five-year period? Chief Moore said they would purge them five years from their last conviction.

Temporary Housing for Offenders. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen said there is a lack of resources for people with issues coming back into society. Mr. Thurmer agreed that housing is a struggle for both Dane and Rock Counties. He said Rock Valley Community Halfway House has 33 beds and they stay there for approximately 90 days. Beloit has two transitional living houses with a total of four beds, and Janesville has two beds. Homeless shelters cannot be used for anyone on a bracelet because of the lack of phone lines.

Ms. Klyve said they have been seeing an increase in the PATH Program. Mr. Thurmer said this issue is so basic, they have purchased care kits with personal care items, cans of soup, crackers, etc. to give out. He added faith-based organizations are a big help.

Resource Fair Update. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen said they would like to hold the fair in Beloit but are having a difficult time coming up with a location. Since they do not have a

budget, it would not be possible to pay the charges associated with using the locations they have considered. She and Mr. Gubbin have been working on a letter to some foundations for sponsorship/donations. They feel they need about \$800 to rent tables and chairs if they hold the event at the Eclipse Center. Mr. Thurmer requested no schools because there would be offenders present. He said he would check to see if he could come up with any money to put toward the event.

Update on Federal Grants. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen said she will be submitting a grant application soon but still needs letters of support, which she would like by March 31st. This is a \$50,000 planning grant. She added the Drug Court is going well, Dr. Paul is seeing people and they have more hours to book with him.

New OWI Legislation Discussion. Chair Deupree said of the six main players with regard to the new OWI legislation, there are only four present today (Court, Human Services, Public Defender and Community Corrections). Other counties are strategizing on what to do as things start coming down the pike.

Ms. Pohlman McQuillen said she will be attending Safe Streets training the next day and will be learning how Winnebago County runs its SSTOP/Safe Streets Program. She knows they are funded through Human Services and treatment lasts for a year. Once she learns more she will bring it back to this Committee.

Mr. Thurmer said when this legislation was passed he learned his department (the entire DOC) will be receiving \$6.6 million to be used statewide to work with these people. He doesn't know how it will be split yet. Ms. Pohlman McQuillen said the new legislation is cutting back on what the County gets by a large amount, but the new IID fee would stay with the County. Ms. Klyve added there will not be surcharge money coming back to pay for the treatment, they are looking at about \$100,000 going away.

Chair Deupree asked if this would be worth getting the Process and Opportunity Group to work on this yet? Judge Daley suggested they find out more before getting the group together.

Citizen Participation and Announcements. Supervisor Fizzell said CIT was used in Washington and was successful. NAMI is also an important part.

Adjournment. Chair Deupree adjourned the meeting at 5:34 P.M. ADOPTED.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Bondehagen
Secretary II

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