

MASON COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE WORKING TEAM
January 16, 2013
MEETING MINUTES

Vice-Chair Sheldon called the meeting to order at 7:32 a.m. in the Mason County Commission Chambers, Shelton, WA. An attendance roster was circulated. A quorum was present.

Adoption of Minutes

Harris/Laura moved and seconded to accept the December 19, 2012 minutes as written. Motion carried.

Sub-Committees

Denny Temple brought up the issue of updating the committee membership. Judge Sheldon pointed out that the sub-committees are activated on an as-needed basis and questioned if the committees should be listed.

After discussion, Judge Sheldon directed the Courthouse Complex Security Space Needs and Video Appearance Hearings be removed from the agenda and noted they can be resurrected if needed. For the JDAI Work Group, Judge Sheldon will contact Pat Swartos and she asked that Ginger Brooks be added. Mayor Cronce will serve in place of John Tarrant.

Jail Population Report

Undersheriff Barrett reported that today's jail population is 114.

Department of Correction's County of Origin Notification Form

No report.

DOC Swift and Certain Program

Laura Cole circulated copies of Senate Bill 6204 regarding the Swift and Certain program. She reviewed how DOC conducted business in the past and how the Swift and Certain program operates which went into effect June 2012. A big difference is if the offender commits any new criminal offense, they will serve jail time which does impact the jail population.

Agency/Department Updates

City of Shelton - Mayor Cronce reported he has no concerns.

Probation - Harris Haertel - Probation Services may have budget impacts from the legislature; the Teamsters contract has an impact to the budget.

City Police - Chief Eklund – the video arraignment process has loosened up an officer's time. They have calculated that before the video arraignment it took about 1/4 of an officer's time for court transfers.

Sheriff Salisbury has scheduled BIA guest speakers at the Sheriff's breakfast.

Risk Manager Dawn Twiddy – the Risk Pool is sponsoring law enforcement training on February 6 in Burien, free to county employees.

Jail - Undersheriff Barrett - have briefed with John Keates and Commissioners on the jail facility. Updates are necessary and Keates will be pursuing a grant. The estimated total cost is \$600,000 to \$700,000 for the jail updates. To replace the control panel the cost is about \$300,000. It is difficult to prioritize the projects because they are all necessary to safely operate the jail. He

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believes there needs to be a better way to communicate the needs to Commissioners for strategic planning.

Judge Sheldon suggested a letter of support for the grant from the CJWT.

Municipal Court - Shelby Conklin stated video arraignment is going well.

Law Library - Judge Sheldon - moving forward as of February 1 for wireless hook up in the Courthouse with West Law to accommodate trial research.

Future Agenda Topics

The following items were brought up as future agenda topics:

Jail population report - how many are serving sentences that are over a year in duration and the cost of sending them somewhere else to serve their sentence.

Report from Sheriff Salisbury on his training in Quantico

Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled on Wednesday, February 20, 2013.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Zoren
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