

MASON COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE WORKING TEAM
March 20, 2013
MEETING MINUTES

Harris Haertel, in the absence of a Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:36 a.m. in the Mason County Commission Chambers, Shelton, WA. An attendance roster was circulated. A quorum was present. Co-Chair Susan Sergiojan arrived at 7:42 a.m.

Adoption of Minutes

The February 20, 2013 minutes were accepted as published.

Jail Population Report

Chief Haugen reported that the ADP for February was 113 - 21 women and 92 men. They are in the process of training new hires.

Department of Correction's County of Origin Notification Form

Laura Cole reported on David Cook who was released in February. He is living at the Mill Creek trailers. He is in compliance.

Judge Sheldon voiced concern that we didn't receive a DOC release report on a particular offender who re-offended. Laura understood that offender was supposed to be in Thurston County.

Agency/Department Updates

DOC - Laura reported they are at full staff and are becoming familiar with the Swift and Certain program.

City of Shelton - Mayor Cronic voiced concern with the problems that drug use cause. He advocates mentoring those who are reentering society.

Mason County Commissioner Neatherlin - having financial troubles at the county.

City of Police Chief Eklund - new officer graduated yesterday from training.

Prosecutor Dorcy - stated we need to be careful with financial pressures, he has been advised that someone talked about activities in his office, in terms of cases tried and conviction rates, to the Commissioners. He stressed it is important to be accurate with the numbers and it was misreported to the Board. He recommended that if there are questions about his office, to ask him. He gave the trial history of his office - they have been busier and that has a financial impact.

Sheriff Salisbury - brought up 3/10 of 1% criminal justice tax. Compared to other counties, Mason County criminal justice receives lowest percent of budget. He has staff out for a number of reasons. He is changing how they do business in the county and will have more presence in the north end. Stan Fleming will be the speaker at the Sheriff's breakfast this month.

Harris Haertel suggested the criminal justice offices come together to present information to the Commissioners on what can be done to improve the criminal justice system.

WCC - Creedence Windle - brought up scheduling the tour of the prison. Working on a new program dealing with their threat groups.

Judge Steele - video arraignment is becoming familiar. Have budget concerns.

State Patrol - Sgt. Conley, one staff short until class graduates in June.

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Emergency Management - Marty Best, having storm event. Homeland Security is changing their funding programs. CERT class is scheduled in June.

Superior Court - Judge Sheldon, noted criminal justice offices are interconnected. Each office has many duties, not just criminal justice.

Cmmr. Neatherlin stated the Board wants to be educated on the budgets so they can make educated decisions. He emphasized we are in this together.

Probation Services – Harris Haertel - Family Recovery Court in Dependency Court should be running in April.

Future Agenda Topics

The following items were brought up as future agenda topics:

Invite Doug Sayan to talk about the offender reentry program he's involved with.

Budget issues - 3/10 of 1% criminal justice tax & how criminal justice offices can work together.

WCC tour

Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled on Wednesday, April 17, 2013.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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