

**CJCC MEETING
Minutes
December 6, 2022**

MEMBERS PRESENT IN PERSON: Chair: Nathan Dreckman, Vice-Chair: Jeff Lockhart, Gary Ranum, Judge Craig Day, Jeff Kindrai, Debra Reukauf, Craig Reukauf, Robert Keeney, Clark Thelemann, Jeff Erickson, Dr. Hiatt, Ben Wood, Brittany Guthrie

MEMBERS PRESENT VIA ZOOM: Aaron Olson

MEMBERS ABSENT: Lisa Riniker (excused), Lance Wetter, Ashley Dickman, Teresa Burton, Darla Adams

OTHERS PRESENT: Kristin Schier, Mikala Lewis

OTHERS PRESENT VIA ZOOM: David Timmerman

The meeting, conducted in person and via Zoom, was called to order by Chair Nathan Dreckman. Notice of the meeting was posted in the Grant County Administration Building, Grant County Courthouse, and Grant County website.

Jeff Lockhart requested that Agenda Item VII be moved up. Sheriff Dreckman amended the Agenda so that Agenda Item VII is right after Appointment of Citizen Representatives. Motion by Ben Wood, seconded by Jeff Lockhart, to approve the Agenda as posted, with that change. Motion carried without negative vote.

Motion by Gary Ranum, seconded by Robert Keeney, to approve the Meeting Minutes of October 4, 2022. Motion carried without negative vote.

2023 Meeting Dates

Kristin Schier provided the meeting dates for 2023: February 7, April 4, June 6, August 1, October 3, December 5 at 8:00 a.m. Meetings to be held in the Grant County Board Room.

Appointment of Citizen Representatives

Kristin Schier informed the Council that Dr. Hiatt's term expired 10/5/22 – 1st term, and Pastor Wetter's term also expired 10/5/22 – 1st term.

Motion by Ben Wood, seconded by Jeff Kindrai, to reappoint Dr. Hiatt and Pastor Wetter. Motion carried without negative vote.

Psychiatric Services in the Jail

Selina Baus opened the discussion by stating that she, Dr. Hiatt, Jeff Lockhart, and Craig Reukauf met to discuss those with extreme psychiatric service needs within the jail. Dr. Hiatt noted that the goal is to provide some additional aid and medications to several patients within the jail. Dr. Hiatt stated that these services help those who are already established within Unified and allows for the continuity of care outside of the jail. Selina noted that this is a nice open door that did not exist before. The Council discussed.

Gary Ranum asked if we have the same transition coordination upon release. Selina responded that this is something that they already work with the patients on, and if they request services, they may receive them. The Council discussed.

Gary asked what impact have we seen by being able to provide these new services. Selina responded they have seen more inmates receive care. Dr. Hiatt noted that they are still in the beginning stages. Dr. Hiatt explained further and the Council discussed.

Jeff Erickson asked if access and availability was an issue for the patients. Selina responded that they have no insurance upon release, so this is a big help to them.

TAD Grant

Kristin Schier informed the Council that the 2023 TAD Grant application was approved, with the baseline increase of \$150,000, for a total budget of \$200,000. This will guarantee funding through 2026 – as long as grant requirements continue to be met.

Available Services / Resources

Kristin Schier recalled the conversation from last meeting regarding a need for an organized list of services that Grant County can provide to individuals. Kristin opened the discussion in regards to the Available Services / Resources packet which was sent to the Council.

Gary Ranum asked if it would be possible to add office hours and addresses. Kristin noted she can do that.

Judge Day stated that one of the missions of the CJCC is to eliminate duplication of services, or at least have some coordination. He noted how many of the entities are offering similar services and questioned if the agencies coordinate or communicate in some way. Kristin stated that many of the agencies are funded differently through state, county, or federal funds, and that eligibility requirements are different for each of these programs. Judge Day stated that he believes it would be helpful for the organizations to make cross-referrals if someone isn't eligible for the programs. Kristin responded by stating that the agencies do make cross-referrals and work well with one another, and Selina Baus confirmed this.

Craig Reukauf noted jail inmates have access to a kiosk that provides information regarding services available to them, and if an inmate does not qualify, for example to Wisconsin PATHWAY Home 2, they are then provided information for the Job Center.

Gary stated that it would have to be a living document. Kristin agreed and noted that it should be reviewed on an annual basis to ensure the document stays current.

Kristin stated she will make the additions and email the revised edition to the Council. Gary asked if there could be a link of the document added to the County website. Kristin and Robert Keeney discussed, and Robert agreed to look into this further.

Driver's License Restoration Program

Judge Day opened the discussion in regards to the Driver's License Restoration Program proposal which was sent to the Council. Judge Day stated that there are three layers to this program. He stated the first option is to make people aware of the tool, which would not do very much. Judge Day stated the second option is to train our staff on how to use the tool, and then noted the third option, to host our own pop-up clinics. Judge Day asked the Council if there was interest in any of the options.

Ben Wood asked if LIFT primarily helps with the payment of fines. Intern Mikala Lewis responded that the program primarily works with helping people identify where the fines are coming from and then working with the individuals on how to pay them off or set up a payment plan. Ben stated that for the fee of \$35,000, he wondered how much they have collected. Kristin Schier responded stating that Jefferson County is very early in the process, and they are still collecting data.

Clark Thelemann stated that if the Council decided on option two, he would be interested in sending some of his staff, namely social workers, because this is a common barrier for their clients and families.

Debra Reukauf stated many of these individuals do not know where to start and don't have the motivation to get their licenses back. Judge Day responded that this is the idea behind the legal tune-up tool.

Ben noted that individuals behind in child support orders may be a good set of people to benefit from the tool, because many of those individuals who come to them state they cannot get a job because they do not have a driver's license. Judge Day and Deb Reukauf asked if there is someone in the Child Support Agency who would sit down with these individuals and help them. Ben responded that he will discuss this with the Child Support Agency.

Kristin stated that the people she envisioned being trained in the tool would be herself, Unified case managers, social workers, probation, an individual at the jail, such as Miranda, and perhaps someone in the Child Support Agency.

Judge Day suggested that the Council think about who they would like to send, in terms of staff, to be trained in the tool. Judge Day noted, however, that he is not ready to give up on the idea of hosting a pop-up clinic. Kristin stated that Jefferson County is doing

several clinics during a six-month period; she envisioned Grant County would do three pop-up clinics in a year, noting the cost would be less than what Jefferson County is paying.

Robert Keeney suggested we table the conversation until the February meeting.

Discussion tabled to February 7, 2023.

Update on Congregation Involvement in the Criminal Justice System

Table to February 7, 2023.

Discussion / Clarification: Operation Cost of the Jail – data / figures

Sheriff Dreckman opened the conversation by mentioning that he and Craig Reukauf were discussing the costs to operate the jail per day. Sheriff Dreckman asked what specifically did the Council want him to look at in terms of cost – what are you looking for?

Gary Ranum clarified that he wanted to know a baseline cost to run the facility without inmates – to basically keep the structure going; then to further know the general cost of operation; and finally what it costs each time we add a resident.

Craig asked what the Council would be using the information for because it will take some time to collect the data and figures. Gary responded by saying this information would be used to do an analysis on efficiencies and see if things such as population of the jail has a major impact on the cost of operation.

Gary and Robert Keeney both clarified that they are just asking them to annualize it – just get a general figure – what is our overall true cost of operation annually.

Sheriff Dreckman stated that they will work on this and to put the item on the April Agenda.

Tabled to April 4, 2023.

Open Discussion

No discussion.

Motioned by Jeff Kindrai, seconded by Craig Reukauf, to adjourn. Motion carried.

Next meeting: February 7, 2022 at 8:00 a.m. Grant County Board Room, Administration Building.

Meeting adjourned at 8:52 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kristin Schier, CJCC Coordinator