

**Minutes of the June 9th meeting of the Sawyer County
Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee
Of the Sawyer County Board of Supervisors
Assembly Room; Sawyer County**



Voting Committee Members Present:

- ☒ Chair: **James Schlender**
- ☐ Lorraine Gouge
- ☐ Marc Helwig -attempted virtually but unsuccessful due to technical issues
- ☒ Gary Hilgendorf
- ☒ Tom Hoff
- ☒ Jeff Johnson
- ☐ Kathy McCoy
- ☒ Doug Mrotek
- ☒ Bruce Poquette
- ☐ Ryan Reid
- ☒ Katie Culvey - Virtual
- ☐ Tweed Shuman – Vice Chair
- ☒ John Yackel
- ☒ Elaine Smith

Others Present:

Mike Coleson
Lynn Fitch
Patrick Roberts - Virtual

Melissa Fisher
Becky Barry

Call to Order – Chair James Schlender called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm.

Certification of Compliance with the open meeting law was met. Roll Call was taken. Quorum was met.

Meeting Agenda

Public Comments

Minutes from previous meeting – A motion was made by Mr. Hoff; second by Lt. Johnson to accept the minutes of the September 9, 2021, meeting as presented. Motion carried without negative vote.

Criminal Justice Coordinator update – Ms. Fisher advised that the TAD planning grant has been submitted. There are currently 79 individuals on pre-trial supervision, 8 on electronic monitoring, 140 on a waiting list, and 0 on alcohol monitor. DA Poquette is mailing approximately 50 referral letters to legal defense counsel of charged individuals, requesting meetings be initiated with JusticePoint, potentially qualifying them for a pilot diversion process. It is a 4-step process that could avoid felony convictions and resulting fines, reduction of sentence or dismissal.

Judge Yackel requested that the hall kiosk be reviewed as a potential daily test option for some individuals as a condition of bond. Lt. Johnson will begin the process of getting the kiosk programmed and arrange training.

2022 Budget Status – Mr. Hoff reviewed the Administrator's budget being presented to County Board. The budget includes a \$50,000 contribution from the Tribal Governing Board for the JusticePoint program and a \$173,000 tax levy that funds the rest of the public safety budget.

Community Services Update – Mr. Hilgendorf reported that the Greater Hayward House of Hope is full at four residents; one has graduated from the program. The women's home has five residents with a sixth joining soon. The newly vacated Element Church building on Main Street will be used to house the men's program director and one resident. Due to the change in the meeting date, representatives of the LCO men's and LCO women's shelters were unable to attend today.

Meeting Date/Time – The next meeting of the Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee will be Wednesday, December 1, at 12:00 pm in the Assembly Room.

Meeting adjourned at 12:22 pm

Minutes recorded by Lynn Fitch, County Clerk

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