

# CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

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## MEMBERS

Terry Collins, Dustin Krasny, Karol "KZ" Bolton

## MEETING LOCATION

301 N. Main Street - Adrian, MI

**Minutes:** Thursday, May 4, 2023 – 10:00 a.m.

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**Present:** Commissioners Collins, Krasny, Bolton, and Van Doren

**Also Present:** Craig Tanis, Dr. B. Cassin, Sheriff Bevier, Kim Murphy, Shannon Elliot, Francine Zysk (Community Development Coordinator, Corrine Perdue, Rodney Weaver, Ciara McGrane, Randy Casey (Jail Commander), and Rebecca Borton

### I. Approval of Minutes

*Motion by Bolton, seconded by Krasny, to approve the minutes of the April 6, 2023 meeting.  
Motion carried*

**II. Finance Reports:** The finance reports were available. The report now reflects year-to-date activities, and the current cash balance is approximately \$7,150.

**III. Sheriff's report:** The Sheriff's report was available. Sheriff Bevier announced Correctional Officers Day and Police Memorial Day and reported that the Emergency Telephone District Board will be considering a contract with PNR for the maintenance of the 800 radio systems. Sheriff Bevier introduced Randy Casey, the new Jail Commander.

**Correctional Officers Day:** Sheriff Bevier announced that Correction Officers Day recognizes the personal sacrifice and commitment that they make every day working as correction professionals.

**Police Memorial Day:** Sheriff Bevier announced that the Police Memorial Day celebration will be held at the Oakwood Cemetery on May 15<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m. This is a time to recognize law enforcement for the merit, dignity, bravery, and reliability they exhibit each and every day. We also recognize and honor those that have lost their lives while on duty.

Commissioner Collins shared that there is a plaque at Oakwood Cemetery that commemorates them.

**IV. Prosecuting Attorney's report:** The Prosecuting Attorney's report was available.

**V. Public Defender's report:** The Public Defender's report was available.

**VI. Emergency Management report:** The Emergency Management report was available.

**Hazard Mitigation Plan:** The County Hazard Mitigation Plan has been reviewed and approved by FEMA, it is now ready for the Board of Commissioners' approval. Craig will not be in attendance at the May Board of Commissioners meeting.

*Motion by Bolton, seconded by Krasny, to recommend approval of the Lenawee County Hazard Mitigation Plan at the June Board of Commissioners meeting. Motion carried.*

**VII. Medical Examiner report:** The Medical Examiner's report was available, and Dr. Cassin reviewed the annual report. He noted that the number of deaths investigated reached a record high and that there is a 38% autopsy rate. This autopsy rate is typical, or an acceptable rate, for a community of our size. There were 28 drug-related deaths and Dr. Cassin expressed a need to focus on ways to address drugs.

**VIII. Courts:** District Court Administrator Heidi Cannon provided an update on current staffing and noted that personnel changes could not be made without Commission approval.

**IX. Maurice Spear Campus:** Rod Weaver reported on licensing requirements, community activities, school schedules, bed space, as well as, staffing.

**Updates & Other Business:** Kim Murphy circled back to District Court's request. She clarified that although nothing had been submitted in writing, Heidi was requesting an action by the Committee.

*Motion by Bolton, seconded by Krasny, to refer the request to authorize 2 non-attorney magistrates to the Personnel/Ways & Means Committee. Motion carried.*

Jennifer reviewed a brief summary regarding online conversations about public safety.

Francine Zysk, the new Community Development Coordinator, was introduced.

**X. Public Comment:** There was no public comment.

**XI. Adjournment**

*Motion by Krasny, seconded by Bolton, to adjourn the meeting at 10:37 a.m. Motion carried.*