

CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE



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MEMBERS

Terry Collins, Karol "KZ" Bolton, Dustin Krasny

MEETING LOCATION

Chambers
301 N. Main Street
Adrian, MI 49221

Minutes: Thursday, June 2, 2022 – 10:00 a.m.

Present: Commissioners Collins, Bolton, Krasny, and Stimpson

Also Present: Commissioner Tillotson, Kim Murphy, Shannon Elliott, Danielle Fearn, Captain J. Pifer, Craig Tanis, Burke Castleberry, and Rebecca Borton

I. Approval of Minutes

*Motion by Bolton, seconded by Krasny, to approve the minutes of the May 5, 2022 meeting.
Motion carried*

II. Finance Reports: Administrator Murphy reviewed the finance report. A couple of project coding corrections have been made and current cash balance is approximately \$57,000.

III. Sheriff's report: The Sheriff's report was submitted for review and Captain Pifer provided an update on recent activities and personnel highlights.

Comm. Stimpson commented that he had received several positive comments from the public on Captain Pifer and the Sheriff's team.

Captain Pifer expressed gratitude for the new dive team equipment purchased last year; it proved to be beneficial.

Jail populations were available. There have been no early releases in 2022.

IV. Prosecuting Attorney's report: Prosecuting Attorney reports for May were submitted.

Prosecutor Castleberry went on to explain the court cases have nearly tripled since COVID restrictions while the OnBase case management systems is operating at 60%. He reviewed issues with the OnBase system and added that the maintenance alone is \$51,000 annually. He will be taking a request to the IT Committee for a new system.

There was continued discussion regarding software security, data transfer, and compatibility concerns.

V. Public Defender's report: There was no Public Defender's report available.

VI. Emergency Management report: The Emergency Management report was available. Craig Tanis reported that a planning exercise will be scheduled for some time next year at the EOC.

He is also applying for the BJA's STOP grant for funding violence in school settings. There is no match requirement and will provide funding for behavioral threat assessment, suicide prevention, and sustainment training.

He went on to explain that the County Assistant Center mentioned in his report provides support for families that have been affected during a major incident.

VII. Medical Examiner report: The Medical Examiner's Report was available for review.

VIII. Courts

Pretrial Services: Kim Murphy reviewed a letter from Judge Anzalone regarding pre-trial services. There is currently no one responsible for the monitoring bond conditions of those individuals who were charged with felonies after they moved to Circuit Court following a probable cause or preliminary examination hearing.

Many counties have established a Pre-Trial Service Division to provide information to assist judges in making pre-trial release decisions and monitor defendants released on bond. Risk and needs screening tools are used.

Lenawee became aware of the issue due to amendments of requirements under Public Act No. 393 of 2020 and court rules under ADM File # 2021.41 (effective 9/1/22). Lenawee has been utilizing a part-time employee to address the most urgent needs, but with the number of defendants out on bond it requires at the very least one full-time designated employee to work with the Circuit Court Judges.

Juneteenth: SCAO just announced that the courts will be closed on Monday, June 20th in observance of Juneteenth. Although the courts will be closed to the public, County employees will be required to work unless they choose to take a personal vacation day.

IX. Updates & Other Business: There was no other business.

X. Public Comment: There was no public comment.

XI. Adjournment

Motion by Bolton, seconded by Krasny, to adjourn the meeting at 10:40 a.m. Motion carried.