

**Minutes of the July 12th meeting of the Sawyer County
Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee
Of the Sawyer County Board of Supervisors
Board Room; Sawyer County**



Voting Committee Members Present:

- Chair: Kathy McCoy
- Lorraine Gouge
- Marc Helwig
- Grant Gerber
- Andy Albarado
- Mike Woller - Exc
- Tweed Shuman - Exc
- Doug Mrotek
- Bruce Poquette
- Katie Belanger
- Ryan Reed
- John Yackel
- Elaine Smith – Vice Chair
- Marshal Savitski
- Julia Lyons - Exc

Others Present:

Anna Amparo
Lynn Fitch
Becky Barry
Mike Thompson

Call to Order – Chair Kathy McCoy called the meeting to order at 12:04 pm.

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

Meeting Agenda

Public Comments --

Minutes from the previous meeting dated: June 14, 2023

Motion to approve made by: Ms. Smith Second by: Mr. Gerber
Motion carried without negative vote.

Deflection Grant Training -

Tiana Gianna was present to explain law enforcement assisted diversion. This group should reach out to NIC (National Group of Corrections) for a training on EBDM and its elements. This is a tool to measure success and need. The 3-question proxy helps look at how an interaction should be handled.

Jail Report -

A written report was provided and reviewed. June average daily population was 75, compared to 92.62 in June of 2022. Both male and female incarceration totals were below June 2022 totals. Current inmate unemployment rate is 80.2%. They anticipate returning female inmates to Sawyer County end of July.

Criminal Justice Coordinator -

A written report of statistics was provided for July, and it is attached in the committee packet. A copy of the grant for law enforcement deflection that has been submitted was provided for review. This is for low-risk individuals to operate through public health and the jail.

2nd Branch and Court Efficiency Update --

Mr. Albarado advised that the building should be turned over August 14th; the investiture date for the new Judge is August 11th. They are proposing a realignment of staff to accommodate the 2nd branch. They are proposing to share the position with the register in probate position.

Opioid Budget Discussion -

Mr. Albarado reported that Public Health has submitted a budget for opioid funds that addresses prevention, harm reduction, advertising/marketing, and recovery coaching. A meeting with the Sheriff's Department is needed to move forward with this budget. The Sheriff reported that the fentanyl overdose issue is very concerning at this time. Mr. Savitski joined the meeting virtually at this time.

Health & Human Services Report -

Homeless Taskforce Update -

Mr. Thompson reported the taskforce is developing a partnership with the DOC. A voluntary program is being developed for a safe place warming house and they are going to try to raise funds to support this. The Phillips House of Hope may open this fall. The jail ministry program is working well with a graduate of the House of Hope program.

Community Services Updates -

Future Agenda Items -

Correspondence, reports from conferences and meetings -

Adjournment – 1:04 pm

Next Meeting: August 9, 2023 **Time:** 12:00 pm **Location:** Assembly Room
Minutes recorded by Lynn Fitch, County Clerk