

MINUTES
BOARD OF CORRECTIONS MEETING
THURSDAY, MAY 5, 2022 AT 8:45 A.M.
COUNTY-CITY BUILDING, 555 S. 10TH STREET
ROOM 112 - CHAMBERS

Board Members Present: Deb Schorr, Chair; Roma Amundson; Sean Flowerday; Rick Vest; and Christa Yoakum

Others Present: Dave Derbin, Chief Administrative Officer; Kristy Bauer, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer; Brad Johnson, Corrections Director; Kim Etherton, Community Corrections Director; and Leslie Brestel, County Clerk's Office

Advanced public notice of the meeting was posted on the County-City Building bulletin board, and the Lancaster County, Nebraska, website and emailed to media on May 4, 2022, and published in the Lincoln Journal Star print edition and website on May 2, 2022.

The meeting was called to order at 8:42 a.m. A copy of the Open Meetings Act was posted on the wall at the back of the meeting room.

AGENDA ITEM

I. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 24, 2021

MOTION: Vest moved and Yoakum seconded approval of the February 24, 2022 meeting minutes. Amundson, Yoakum, Flowerday, Vest and Schorr voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

II. POPULATION STATISTICS & CHARTS

Johnson reviewed a PowerPoint presentation that covered various aspects of the Corrections Department (see agenda packet).

a. Population Comparisons

Johnson noted there has been a population increase of 1.1% for an average daily population of 565. The jail's operational capacity is 665. He felt detainees conditionally released on Personal Arraignment (PA) bonds are a major factor in the daily population. PA bonds came about through discussions with the courts during 2020 as a way to reduce the jail population. The courts provided the jail with a listing of charges that could have the possibility of PA bonds. Individuals who are not in a state of mind to understand the bond are lodged at the jail. The individuals released on PA bonds will be tracked to see how many return within a given period of time. He felt this arrangement has been good for the jail.

b. Booking and Lodging Totals

c. Pre-Trial and Sentence Conversion Release

d. Custodial Sanctions/County Reinvestment Act

Johnson stated on average there are between 20 and 25 individuals per month serving custodial sanctions.

Flowerday inquired if those serving sanctions on Post-Release Supervision are serving the remainder of their sentence or the full sentence. Johnson answered he does not know as he does not have access to the original sentence.

e. Regional Center Waiting Periods

Johnson verified the income due to LB921 (Change where sentences of imprisonment are served) will be tracked.

f. Community Hospital Posts

Johnson stated there are currently no COVID cases.

g. Felonies Sentenced to Lancaster County

h. Drug Court Remand

i. Violation of House Arrest

j. FY21 Statistics Report

III. PROGRAMMING

Johnson said he is having difficulty finding program volunteers.

IV. TRANSPORTATION

Johnson stated video court continues to be popular. Amundson inquired if the formality of court appearances is lost in video court. Johnson stated no.

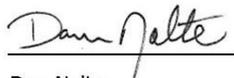
When asked about the employee workforce, Johnson said there are applications being received. He has been working with Human Resources to modify the way Corrections receives applications. The Eleanor Creative campaign will release soon.

V. WORK CREWS

VI. TRAINING

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Vest moved and Yoakum seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:11 a.m. Vest, Amundson, Yoakum, Flowerday and Schorr voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.



Dan Nolte
Lancaster County Clerk

