

MINUTES
BOARD OF CORRECTIONS MEETING
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2022 AT 8:30 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; Rick Gray, Jail Administrator; Jeff Curry, Chief Probation Officer, Adult Probation; 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 November 2, 2022, and published in the Lincoln Journal Star print edition and website on October 31, 2022.

The meeting was called to order at 8:33 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 SEPTEMBER 13, 2022

MOTION: Flowerday moved and Amundson seconded approval of the September 13, 2022 meeting minutes. Flowerday, Vest, Amundson, Yoakum and Schorr voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

II. POPULATION STATISTICS & CHARTS

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

a. Population Comparisons

Gray stated the average daily population was 636 which is a .8% decrease from last year and is 95.7% of the department's operational capacity. He attributed the variable times in the average length of stay to the Personal Recognizance (PR) bonds allowing individuals to be released. He reported there is frustration from the judges and law enforcement on PR bonds as there are numerous individuals who are back in custody in less than 24 hours. There is the possibility that those who are brought back into custody within 24 hours of being released on a PR bond will need to pay a cash bond. There were 10 individuals in a three-month period who were back in custody within 24 hours of a PR bond release.

b. Booking and Lodging Totals

The number of bookings has increased while the number of lodgings has decreased. He felt PR bond releases played a part in the booking numbers.

c. Custodial Sanctions/County Reinvestment Act

Curry stated it is common for individuals on supervision to not want to be supervised. The Probation Office does work to keep sanctions as low as possible with graduating sanction amounts depending on the severity of the case.

Concerning those serving State custodial sanctions for the quarter, Gray said those individuals were impacted by LB605 (Provide, change, and eliminate penalties, punishments, sentencing, restitution, probation, parole, and crime victim provisions and provide for post-release supervision, grants, and suspension of medical assistance for inmates) and prior to the change in the law would not have been in the jail's custody.

Gray also noted those who had their State Post-Release Supervision (PRS) revoked and were resentenced to the jail have the biggest impact on the facility as they are there for the longest time at 1,946 days this past quarter.

d. Regional Center Waiting Periods

Gray reported the waiting times for the Lincoln Regional Center (LRC) have decreased.

e. Community Hospital Posts

Gray stated this is the first time there have been four individuals in the hospital simultaneously.

f. Felonies Sentenced to Lancaster County

g. Drug Court Remand

h. Violation of House Arrest

i. FY22 Statistics Report

See agenda packet for information on Items f-i.

III. PROGRAMMING

Gray said both the women's and men's drug treatment programs are in session. Also, finding Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) meeting volunteers is very difficult.

IV. TRANSPORTATION

Gray reported the video court appearances have had a huge impact on the efficiency of the department.

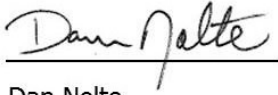
V. WORK CREWS

VI. TRAINING

See agenda packet for Items V and VI.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Amundson moved and Flowerday seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 a.m. Vest, Amundson, Yoakum, Flowerday and Schorr voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.



Dan Nolte
Lancaster County Clerk

