



Community Corrections Planning Meeting Minutes April 15, 2014 6:00 pm

Members Present: Daniel Ward, David Berry, Edward Philpot, John Thomas Brian Loanes, Ken Brace, Gary Goudreau, Debra Shackett, Alida Millham, Maggie Pritchard, Laura Brissette from Genesis and Angela Bovill.

Also present: Laura Bassett from Genesis, Richard Grenier, Rep. Lisa DiMartino and Dorothy Piquado.

Absent: Craig Wiggin, Miller Lovett and Steve Nedeau.

Commissioner Philpot, Chair called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Minutes: M/Thomas, S/Ward to approve the 03/18/14 minutes as written. Unanimous. **Motion passes.**

Schematic design: Commissioner Philpot discussed the dollar figure for schematic design and felt the committee should move forward with it; he asked members their thoughts. Commissioner Thomas echoed the same. Administrator Shackett felt it was important to mention that this does not rectify the current condition of the jail. There is still an air quality control issue and an overcrowding issue. She would like the committee to reconsider the idea of a bond issue to do all three. Superintendent Ward supports that statement. If we could replace the HVAC system and supply a temporary housing unit to address the overcrowding while also moving forward with the schematic design, that would be the most efficient plan. Mr. Ward also said it's important to note that temporary housing will make more space for programming, and keeps the inmates here and involved in the programs (vs if they were housed elsewhere). Committee had discussion. It will take approx. 6 months for schematic design (it's a customized process), and approximately 30 days to erect a temporary housing unit (+ or – depending on sight/prep work). The committee discussed the cost comparisons of other New Hampshire facilities. Mr. Goudreau asked if these number comparisons were total costs or just construction costs. Unknown at this time. There was also a copy of an article on the New Hampshire Woman's Prison for information.

Recommendation: The consensus of the committee was to ask for the \$2.96 million bond. The Committee agreed to bring this recommendation to the Commissioners to accept and request of the Delegation.

Letter: Instead of using the DRAFT letter that Commissioner Philpot wrote RE: addressing the next steps, a letter will be drafted requesting to meet and discuss the \$2.96 million bond request (for the committee to review). That letter will then be sent to the Delegation on behalf of the Jail Planning Committee.

Ricci Greene: Ms. Shackett had spoken to Ken Greene of Ricci Greene who was willing to attend a meeting to talk to the committee. He will absorb the cost of this trip as he feels that is it very important to address questions of the Committee and to help keep the process moving. Committee thinks that this is a great offer/idea. Ms. Shackett will contact Mr. Greene to coordinate.

Adjourn: With no further business to discuss the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 6:58 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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