

## **Carroll County Commissioners Meeting**

### **Minutes**

**September 22, 2010**

**Commissioners Present:** David Sorensen, Chip Albee, Dorothy Solomon

**Public:** David Babson, Daymond Steer, Nate Giarnase

Meeting called to order at 8:15 am by Commissioner Sorensen

#### **Public Input**

1. Babson: During the Delegation meeting, the over expenditures in the Sheriff's Dept. was not discussed, but I would like to know why the Sheriff is over in his dues, licenses and subscriptions; at halfway through the year he is at 103%.

2. Com. Sorensen: It could be that he paid the whole year's fees in the first part of the year.

3. Com. Albee: We have been trying to get the Sheriff to come in to discuss his budget. He does not have an obligation to come in.

4. Babson: I would like to know the answer. In education and conferences, his 209% in 6 months. Firearms training is at 128%. I would like to know the story on that. Regarding the apportionment of the towns, what is that based on?

5. Com. Albee: It is based on real estate value.

6. Babson: The Transit Memorandum was in the packet for the Delegation, but this was not brought up. Is the Delegation going to have a say in whether we use this as a bus stop.

7. Com. Sorensen: That is the decision of the Commissioners.

#### **Minutes**

MOTION: Commissioner Albee moves to approve the minutes of 9/15/10. Commissioner Solomon seconds this motion. So voted.

MOTION: Commissioner Solomon moves to approve the closed minutes of 8/4/10 and 8/11/10. Commissioner Sorensen seconds this motion. So voted.

## **Reports**

1. Com. Albee: Dorothy and I went to a meeting with the Biomass furnace providers from Sweden and Wisconsin. We walked through the maintenance section of the old nursing home and discussed placement. We briefly met with the fire chief to make sure that he is on board with this particular installation. They are getting together a letter confirming that they quality to the Build America part of the grant. We talked about the contract which requires 40% down and 50% on delivery of equipment and then 10% when you fire it up. The problem that I needed to address is that they wanted to deliver the equipment in 12-14 weeks from the signing of the contract which would put us in January and we are not ready for the equipment at that point. They are working on putting an alteration in the contract to deliver the equipment in April or May when we will be ready. That lead to further discussion about firing the machine up. If they have the installation done in June, that is not the heating season, so they are putting something in writing that will bring them back in November or early December 2011 to do a final set up on the machines so that it's operating.

2. Com. Solomon: I have some pictures with me with regard to the silo. I was concerned that it should blend well because the nursing home will be right across the road. The picture he showed me showed a red silo that would blend in with the brick of the building. I also have pictures of the fabric samples for the residents rooms.

3. Com. Sorensen: I was at a meeting with the Commissioner of Health and Human Services and at the end of the meeting, John Wallace brought up that the committee of the CON Board is recommending that the moratorium on number of beds at the nursing home be eliminated and that 15% of the current capacity with a minimum of 10 beds be considered. That has to go through the full board and then to the legislature to get changed.

## **Jason Johnson, House of Corrections**

1. Current population is 51 in house, 2 weekenders, 6 transfers, 3 electronic monitor, and 11 on pre-trial release for a total population of 76.

2. Total number of admitted inmates for the week was 16 (8 repeaters) and total number of released inmates for the week was 20. Repeater charges: 1 in for two warrants (booked 3 times), 1 in for receiving stolen property (booked 2 times), 1 in for OAS, DWI, DWI 2<sup>nd</sup>, open container (booked 2 times), 1 in for warrant (booked 2 times), 1 in for bail jumping (booked 6 times in 5 years), 1 in for protective custody (booked 11 times in 15 years), 1 in for violation of

probation and violation of a protective order (booked 14 times in 9 years), 1 in for violation of a protective order (booked 3 times this year).

3. Farm has been taking out an average of 2 inmates per day. They have 10 available.

4. We took in an individual last week who demonstrated severe mental illness. This individual was sent to NH State Hospital and within 24 hours was returned back to us. Correctional staff are doing an outstanding job helping this inmate. He has shown signs of improvement since entering the facility. We are currently working with the Veteran's Office and the County Attorney's office to get him the help he needs. He is not due to appear in court until November.

5. Lethality policies are being worked on.

6. Com. Albee: We have some question on the jail budget. The jail income is down is 28%. What is on the jail income line?

7. Jason: Bracelets, pre-trial release and work release (this has been down). Electronic monitoring has been down as well.

8. Com. Solomon: Regarding the visit from the students from Moultonborough Academy, the jail was the big winner. Feedback from teachers and adults, in general, they felt that the people who were working in this complex were excited and very committed to what they were doing and showed a good relationship in the work environment and they were very pleased.

9. Babson: Questions Jason about the office supply expenses.

10. Jason: We are going through a lot of ink. The laser cartridges is a big expense and we go through a lot of them. I am working on networking all computers to the photocopier as a printer to lower cost. This year, we have replaced our computer equipment which has brought up the cost.

### **Sandi McKenzie, MVNH**

1. Census is 103, 1 out on medical LOA: 4 Medicare residents, 30 private pay residents, 69 Medicaid residents.

2. Develop of fire plan - Defend in place. This past week, we met with Chief Riley from the Fire Department regarding a fire plan in the new nursing home.

Defend in place: Defend in place is the process of relocating resident(s) from the smoke compartment where a fire has occurred to another protected location (smoke compartment) within the same building. The purpose of defend in place is to first remove the resident(s) from rooms that are in the immediate vicinity of the fire origin and to relocate them into an adjacent smoke compartment that is protected from the migration of products of combustion (smoke, heat, toxic gases and flames) caused by the fire.

- \* The plan is now being written.
- \* Maintenance and all nursing supervisors will sign off on the plan.
- \* The plan will be submitted to the Commissioners.
- \* The plan will be submitted to Chief Adam Riley for review sign off.

3. Yesterday, I received a phone call from Senator Shaheen's office. Chuck Henderson and Madeline Lewis will be coming to Mountain View Nursing Home on November 5<sup>th</sup> between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. to meet with seniors in the community. They will talk about health care initiatives, local programs, fielding questions and so on.

### **Public Input**

1. Babson: Speaks about Bionova and asks if they were contacted to see how the unit works.

2. Com. Albee: We haven't, but McGill has made a lot of phone calls to a lot of different places. I will ask him if he called that particular one. I know that he did references.

MOTION: Commissioner Albee moves to go into non-public session for employee issues. Seconded by Commissioner Sorensen. So voted.

Meeting adjourned at 9:18 a.m.

April Carpenter  
Recording Secretary