

D R A F T
Carroll County Commissioners' Meeting Minutes
February 1, 2012

Commissioners Present: David Sorensen, Dorothy Solomon, Asha Kenney

Public: Chip Albee, Steve Brown, Deputy Brian King, Ed Comeau, Kathleen Maloney
Daymond Steer

Chairman Sorensen called to meeting to order at 9:16 am.

Commissioner Sorensen: We are no longer going to keep minutes of Public Input.

Commissioner Sorensen: We are no longer going to keep any minutes from Public Input. There is too much time spent on documenting this information, and correction of the minutes. By law, we are not required to do so. It is our meeting. If Public Input pertains to an issue, and we feel is of importance, we will consider it.

Reports and Minutes

Commissioner Kenney made a motion to accept the public minutes as corrected of February 1, 2012. Commissioner Solomon seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion made.

Commissioner Sorensen: To add to the Agenda, We have two bids that have come in for the wall in the jail. We will wait to open these bids until Jason comes in and We will wait until Jason arrives to see if somebody had sent any bids.

Department Reports

Will DeWitte

Farm

Will: An update on the bagging wood. Our goal is about 8,000 and we have done 3,000, so we have a ways to go. We generally do most of it in the earl spring.
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The 2520 tractor that I have been reporting on had a few leaks. We have fixed those leaks and we need to pull it out of the shop and make sure that it runs okay. We have that old green truck that has Agricultural plates. The problem that we have had since I have been there is that the fuel tank has a leak. We have patched it up, able to use for a while, then it starts leaking again. We would like to get that fixed, as we use it on the farm for cleanup, etc. It does stay here on the complex.

We had a Farm Day meeting on Monday evening. The date set for Farm Day is the last Saturday, July 28, 2012. The next meeting for this will be February 17, 2012 at 3:30 at the Farm Shop.

I finished the annual report and sent it to the Business office.

The State shed down in Ossipee has closed. They have a water service from us, and asked to have their account turned off. In order to do that, not only do we have to shut the water off,

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but we have to pull the meter as well. I have an appointment with the individual tomorrow to get that done. Please refer to attached report.

Commissioner Sorensen: The Delegation has asked about this building. They had approved \$50,000.00 to redo the lighting in this building, which has been done. We split up the amount, \$25,000 for the lighting and \$25,000 for Control Technologies to put a panel in and control the heat and air conditioning. That still needs work to be done. Of the \$25,000 that went for the lighting, we spent \$ 24,125.00, so we have \$8750.00 left over out of that account. As far as Control Technologies, we have money left, but have had some problems up on the roof regarding the controls, so we don't have a final figure on that. We have already spent \$21,535.00. We will have an update on that. Concerning the savings on electricity, it has not been fully connected to make any difference right now. If it was a year after we had it connected we would be able to tell. We will look at the bills for each month. We will try to come up with something to will show a savings on the new lights that were installed.

The Delegation asked the Commissioners to come up with what other Counties are making per hour for comparable positions. We have that. We do not have the total as to what it would cost to bring our employees up to what the other Counties are, at the minimum. We are way below the minimum in many cases. I just received this report this morning, and it has been sent out to the Delegation members. We will see what the bottom line is. I said Monday, at the Delegation meeting, that I believe it will cost taxpayers a lot of money to bring our people up to comparable salaries or hourly rates with other Counties. **Please refer to attached report which shows historical values with relevant data for all the Counties**

Jason Johnson

HOC

Jason introduced Kevin Warwick, Consultant, from NIC. He is here to talk about the various programs we want to implement. Jane Klekamp, is also a Consultant from NIC. She works in a program in LaCrosse WI. They fall under DHHS, out there, and they run a Justice Sanctions Program. These are the people who have been in custody and have transitioned out into the community, they oversee bail supervision, and they oversee electronic monitoring and programs for inmates being released or for impending trials. They have a power point presentation to present.

We are here to talk about your re-entry into the community programs. What we are here to do is look at programming pieces and not look at the jail overall. We want to take a few minutes to talk about our national model called **Transition from Jail to Community**. We will talk a little bit about what goes on in La Crosse, WI, that is the jail, which has been doing this for a few years; and then talk about some of the things we found as we went through the jail and looked at the programming that is going on right now. For the full presentation, refer to www.governmentoversite.com

Commissioner Sorensen: Will we be receiving a written report? **Mr. Warwick:** Yes, you will be offered a web-access session. Jason will coordinate that in terms of time, where we can talk about recommendations going forward. You will get a written report and a power point program that is connected to the web-access. The written report will probably be here in three weeks or so; the web-access will be available sooner.

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Jason: In closing, I would like to say that one of the things I learned over the last few days is that there is a significant need for establishing that Criminal Judicial Coordination Committee. I had received a buy-in from the key players from the judiciary system, and I think we need to establish that, have a meeting and identify what is the vision, where we want to take Carroll County, and how we can do that?. Set our vision statement and our mission statement; and to dove-tail into that would be to start these other things that we are looking at, putting people back into in the community quicker, developing a real transitional piece to put inmates out in the community, reduce the jail beds, to the degree that we can effectively save taxpayers money for housing.

Commissioner Sorensen: Thanked Mr. Warwick and Ms. Klekam for their informative presentation, and look forward to their written report to be able to delve into it and move forward with this process. I agree with you, Jason, we should set up a committee.

Commissioner Kenney: Jason, do you have something about what we talked about last week that you said you would do this week? **Jason:** I completed that investigation and could not find any evidence to verify that there was a problem.

Commissioner Sorensen: BPS bid for repair of interior wall joints and acoustical ceiling. for \$16,300. The price will be held for ten days. **Commissioner Kenney:** When did we put the bid out? **Jason:** We put it out for two weeks. **Commissioner Sorensen:** We received a second bid from Patandy, General Contractors, out of Rochester, NH and their bid was for \$9,013. **Jason:** Did you receive a call from a company out of Waldoboro, ME? There was also a company, Pratt Industries. John Pratt said he was going to, as he was working with a company in MA. I had a conversation with both of them and told them the RFP was due by Friday. They knew about it.

Commissioner Sorensen: Do you have contact information for them? Maybe give them a call and see if they may have sent it some place else or if they just decided not to do it.? We will hold off awarding the bid until we hear from Jason. These bids came in 01/26/12 and 01/27/12. Jason, do you still have bids coming in for the fencing?

Jason: Yes, I have that one company that responded, but I haven't received anything else. I hope that RFP went out. I will follow-up with Kathy Garry regarding that RFP.

Non-Public Minutes

Motion

Commissioner Kenney made a motion to approve the non-public minutes of **01/04/12** and keep them sealed. Commissioner Sorensen seconded the motion. All agree. Motion passed.

Motion

Commissioner Kenney made a motion to approve the non-public minutes of **11/29/11** and keep them sealed. Commissioner Sorensen seconded the motion. All agree. Motion passed.

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Motion

Commissioner Kenney made a motion to approve the non-public minutes of **10/19/11** and keep them sealed. Commissioner Solomon seconded the motion. All agree. Motion passed.

Motion

Commissioner Kenney made a motion to approve the non-public minutes of **12/21/11** and keep them sealed. Commissioner Sorensen seconded the motion. All agree. Motion passed.

Motion

Commissioner Kenney made a motion to approve the non-public minutes of **10/12/11** and keep them sealed. Commissioner Solomon seconded the motion. All agree. Motion passed.

Motion

Commissioner Kenney made a motion to approve the non-public minutes of **12/07/11** and keep them sealed. Commissioner Sorensen seconded the motion. All agree. Motion passed.

Motion

Commissioner Sorensen made a motion to unseal the non-public minutes of **11/16/11**. Commissioner Kenney seconded the motion. All agree. Motion passed.

Commissioner Sorensen reported that this involved the three Commissioners being there, Tom Dewhurst, County Attorney and Steven Assistant County Attorney. A motion was made by Commissioner Sorensen in the civil commitment transfer of \$5,000.00, 028 Criminal Case Expense. and seconded by Commissioner Kenney. All agree. This was just a transfer out of a line item to another line in the County Attorney's budget. It should not have been in non-public.

Commissioner Solomon: We are reviewing the 2011 minutes and opening up what we can.

Commissioner Kenney: We have legal consultation with minutes that we need to take out.

Commissioner Sorensen: As Commissioner Kenney says, when we have legal consultation, the Right to Know Law states that we do not have to have minutes. We are having them reviewed by an attorney and will release what we can.

Commissioner Sorensen: We are reviewing all the non-public minutes for 2011. Once we read them, we will make notes on the side, as to what we can release and what we cannot. We will pass them by an attorney to make sure that we are following the proper procedure to release them, and then will release them.

Minutes of 01/11/12

Commissioner Kenney noted that the minutes of 01/11/12 were tabled at the last meeting of 01/25/12 as Mr. Brown had submitted a list of questions that he asked during that meeting which he felt were missing. The minute taker had reviewed the list. She felt that the majority of his questions were documented in the 01/25/12 minutes. The list of questions submitted by Mr. Brown will be attached to these minutes.

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Motion

Commissioner Kenney made a motion to accept the minutes of 01/11/12 with corrections. Commissioner Solomon seconded the motion. All agree. Motion was passed.

Motion

Commissioner Solomon made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:10 am. Commissioner Kenney seconded the motion. All agree. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Twyon,
Recording Secretary