

# Gallatin County DUI Task Force

#### DUI Task Force Purpose:

- Reduce Alcohol-related Traffic Incidents
- Educate Public on Dangers of DUI
- Prevent DUI

## **Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday/November 15, 2017 – 5:30 pm

Gallatin County Detention Center Community Room

#### Members Present

Kelley Parker-Wathne, Coordinator Adrian Massey, Chair Jon Oqden, Vice-Chair/Bzmn PD Lora Kruse, Treasurer/Citizen Member Marty Lambert, County Atty's Office David Morris, MHP Jesse Stovall, Belgrade PD Austin Owens, Manhattan PD Anthony Kearney, WYPD Sabra Van Leeuwen, WYPD Doug Lieurance, Gallatin County Sheriff's Office Rick Gale, ADSGC Jerry Pape, Citizen Member Steven Hamilton, Citizen Member Maureen Exley, Citizen Member Katy Fritz, Citizen Member Boyd Dressler, Citizen Member Arlene Wylie, Citizen Member Dan Deming, Citizen Member Iralene Osborne, Citizen Member Richard Gibson, Citizen Member

#### **Guests**

Steve Ette, Court Services Heather Hume

#### <u>Absent</u>

Ed Hirsch, City Atty's Office Grace Anderson, Citizen Member Frank Parrish, MSU PD

Task Force Chair Adrian Massey called the Meeting to Order at approximately 5:45 pm.

#### **MISSION MOMENT**

• Chair Adrian Massey read the DUI Task Force Mission Statement.

#### **INTRODUCTIONS**

• Members and guests introduced themselves.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

• September Meeting Minutes approved by unanimous consent.

#### **BUSINESS**

- Chairman Massey, Coordinator Parker-Wathne, and Director of Court Services Steve Ette presented a plaque of appreciation to outgoing member, Heather Hume. Mr. Ette noted Heather's hard work in gathering information for the indepth DUI Statistics Report published by the Task Force in 2015 and Coordinator Parker-Wathne noted her position as Chair of the PI&E Committee.
- Coordinator Parker-Wathne opened up nominations for the Executive Board positions.
  - Katy Fritz, Maureen Exley, and Jon Ogden were each nominated by different members.
  - Chair Massey explained that elections will be held at the January meeting, stating that if others are interested they can still be nominated or can even nominate themselves.
- Coordinator Parker-Wathne mentioned that the guests who were scheduled for the meeting (Legislator Chris Harris and Ron Yates from the Cascade County DUI Task Force) had postponed their visit to the January meeting.
  - Chair Massey suggested it would be good to brainstorm ideas to prepare for the January meeting in order to have solid representation at the Legislature in the spring.
  - County Attorney Marty Lambert shared his knowledge of HB133 with the group expounding on its background as well as the many concerns and various misconceptions about the bill. He suggested inviting all people running for office to attend the March Task Force meeting not just Mr. Harris.
    - Coordinator Parker-Wathne stated she wanted to be respectful of the Cascade County DUI Task Force in our endeavors.
    - Chair Massey suggested going ahead with inviting Mr. Harris and Cascade County DUI Task Force to the January meeting.

- Coordinator Parker-Wathne shared that the Cascade County DUI Task Force is requesting our member's contact information for a survey they intended to send out near the end of the year. Members expressed approval with exception of one or two people.
- Coordinator Parker-Wathne shared that the DUI Policy Committee will reactivate after the first of the year. Seven members expressed interest in attending.
  - Officer Stovall shared that he would like to see the committee address the judicial and prosecutorial side of DUI's in an effort to encourage judges to be stricter.

#### Cease Awards

• Belgrade PD Officer Jesse Stovall updated the group on his efforts to implement a blood draw program for the Belgrade PD. He has had trouble connecting with the Central Valley Fire Dept. but they will continue to pursue further communication.

### <u>P I & E COMMITTEE</u>

#### Events

- Coordinator Parker-Wathne shared a recap of all the events and accomplishments of the DUI Task Force over the past year, noting that by the end of the year 31 events will be completed. She also shared a list of ideas and potential goals for the coming year.
  - Mr. Dressler suggested too many goals won't happen and instructed Coordinator Parker-Wathne to keep things procedural and just report to the group.
    - Coordinator Parker-Wathne said she was just reminding the group of suggested ideas and was not at liberty to make decisions without input from others in the subcommittees.
    - Ms. Kruse suggested that maybe in January we could choose the top goals to focus on.
    - Ms. Osborne offered several ideas for consideration including advertising in the Hawk newspaper, using the library's rooms for presentations, Bingo Night at the Eagle's on Friday nights, and advertising in the MSU Student Survival Kit.

### Vehicle

- Vice-Chair Officer Ogden shared that we're still looking for a wrecked vehicle for the trailer and that he sent a letter to the MHP.
  - Discussion followed about checking with a salvage yard.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

- Mr. Rick Gale shared that there is networking and collaborating occurring with the research center at MSU and others, based on the Social Ecology Model with the DPHHS to find out where we go next. He said they're also looking at the "Courageous Voices" campaign and a 3 minute video created by BHS and C-CODA as a senior project ("Something so Harmless") recently went nationwide on Youtube. He encouraged the Task Force to think about doing something like this.
  - $\circ~$  Ms. Kruse suggested adding doing a video as a goal and others agreed offering further input.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:25 pm.

### Next Meeting: Wednesday/January 17, 2018 – 5:30 pm

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