

**COLUMBIA COUNTY SHERIFF
MEMORANDUM**

**APPROVED
AS PRESENTED
03.08.2016**

Date: February 10, 2016
To: Sheriff Jeff Dickerson
From: Millie Wagner, Sheriff's Office Administrator
SUBJECT: **JOCAC MEETING – MINUTES FOR 02/09/2016 MEETING**

Attendees:

Committee Members:
Garrett Lines, Vice-chair
Rita Bernhard
Jeff Auxier
Lester Kahr
Greg Hinkleman
Jamie Maygra

Columbia County Sheriff's Office:
Sheriff Jeff Dickerson
Captain Tony Weaver – Jail Commander
Millie Wagner – Sheriff's Office Administrator

Board of County Commissioners:
Henry Heimuller, Commissioner

Columbia County:
Sarah Hanson, County Counsel

Meeting location: Columbia County Justice Center, 901 Port Avenue, Saint Helens, Oregon.

Meeting called to order at 7:02 PM by Committee Vice-chair, Garrett Lines.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Brady Preheim stated that he still wished to know the cost to house a Federal inmate. Mr. Preheim also stated that the meeting announcement was published in the newspaper, but was not online. He stated that he had spoken with the newspaper about this and they assured him that they would also post it online going forward.

OLD BUSINESS

Review of the minutes from previous meetings. Motion to accept the minutes as presented was made by Committee member Bernhard and seconded by Committee member Kahr. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Board Presentation – Moving Forward:

- Comments and discussion about the report for the Board that had been drafted by Committee member Jeff Auxier.
 - Committee Vice-chair Lines asked what things should be added to the report. Suggestions included:
 - ◆ Committee orientation and education about the facility and operations
 - It was agreed that this should be a separate heading in the report and Committee member Hinkleman volunteered to expand upon this portion.

- The topic of forming a sub-committee was mentioned and Committee Vice-chair Lines recommended including Capt. Weaver in order to expand upon the terminology.
- Committee member Auxier volunteered to expand on the section about the Jail Management System.
- There was discussion regarding what amount of detail needed to be included in the report.
 - ◆ Commissioner Heimuller stated that he was more interested in what the committees' view of the product and processes were and if they found value in it.
 - ◆ Committee member Kahr stated that his hope was that the information gathered is also gotten to the public.
 - ◆ Discussion regarding when the levy renewal would be on the ballot.
- Committee Vice-chair Lines stated that he would expand upon the staffing and hiring section of the report.
- Committee member Kahr stated that he would expand upon the jail transport van section of the report.
- Sheriff Dickerson suggested that the committee might consider adding that the levy was not to be spent on other General Fund items.
- Commissioner Heimuller suggested mentioning the mission of the levy and whether or not that mission has been met.
- Captain Weaver mentioned that the levy has had an impact on the community as well and cited the example that the jail has gone from housing 25 local inmates up to 85 local inmates as of last week.
 - ◆ There was discussion of making the impact of the levy a separate topic within the report and what should be included with this topic.
- There was discussion regarding whether Committee member Crawford would be continuing on the committee and Commissioner Heimuller stated that he would call him.
- Committee Vice-chair Lines stated that he would like to have the report 'fleshed out' by the next committee meeting.

Discussion: Vice-chair Lines' Investigation on the Efficacy of Using Federal Bed Rentals as Part of the Overall Jail Budget

- Review of the report, 'Incremental Costs of Housing Federal Inmates' created by Vice-chair Lines, and discussion of the analysis.
- Committee member Bernhard stated that she was curious whether anyone is hearing anything in the community about continuing the levy.
 - ◆ Committee Vice-chair Lines and Committee member Maygra stated that they have both been hearing negative things. Committee member Maygra stated that the public thinks another way to fund the jail should be found.
 - ◆ Committee member Hinkleman stated that he has not heard anything good or bad about the levy.
- Committee member Bernhard stated that she feels the most important thing to present to the public is that the funds allocated from the levy are being spent appropriately.

Discussion for the next agenda:

- Information to bring back to expand the report to the Board of County Commissioners
- Representatives from agencies and departments that have been impacted by the levy to give brief presentations to talk about what the effect of the levy has been for their areas.

Set the Next Meeting

The next meeting will be March 8, 2016 at 7:00 PM. The location will remain the same.

At 8:23 PM, Committee member Maygra made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by committee member Bernhard; the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:24 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Millie Wagner, Sheriff's Office Administrator, Columbia County Sheriff's Office