

## MINUTES

### MARION COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY COORDINATING COUNCIL

September 9, 2014, 4:00 PM  
Commissioners' Board Room  
555 Court St. NE, Salem, OR 97301

**PRESENT:** Commissioner Janet Carlson, Judge Tracy Prall, DA Walt Beglau, Tamra Goettsch, Mark Caillier, Chief Jerry Moore, Jayne Downing, Tom Ewing, Ed McKenney, Councilor Pete McCallum, Faye Fagel, Sheriff Jason Myers, Judge Courtland Geyer, Tom Sermak, Ray Byrd, Mike Runyon.

**GUESTS:** Commissioner Kevin Cameron, Kim Larson, Annette Chrisemer, Emily Collins, Jan Calvin, Alison Kelley, Keeta Lauderdale, Mike Wells, Chief John Teague, Linda Gilbert & John Terpening (Legislative Fiscal Office), Hitesh Parekh, Sara Zavala (recorder).

#### **A. Administrative - Action**

*Commissioner Carlson called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.*

- Alison Kelley distributed invitations to the upcoming Liberty House Luncheon.
- Ms. Downing announced the location of their new facility (605 Center St.); the Council's next meeting will be held at this location.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Carlson provided the minutes in a new style, which is a summary format. Everyone agreed on the new format. Sheriff Myers moved to approve the August 12 meeting minutes; the motion was seconded by Tom Sermak. A voice vote was unanimous in favor.

- Commissioner Carlson recapped the main points of the last presentation at Chief Moore's request. A follow up discussion has been requested for the October meeting.

#### **B. Giving People A Second Chance Community Breakfast**

- Invitation to upcoming event was distributed; set for 10/29 at Broadway Commons.
- The focus will be on the impact on children and families.
- Capacity is 200; please RSVP ASAP.

#### **C. November Ballot Initiative: Recreational Marijuana Issue**

- A resolution opposing legalization was previously signed by this Council.
- An educational prevention forum is being held on 10/1 in Keizer.
- Proponents of Measure 91 have asserted that the forum is political, not educational in nature. The forum is targeting the issue of marijuana use in youth, and the measure is

- to legalize use for 21 and older. Private sponsors have been secured.
- Public employees who are not elected officials may not participate in any political activities while on work time.

#### **D. House Bill 3194 Implementation & Victims Services**

DA Beglau recapped the policy of House Bill 3194 (2013 Legislative Session), which aims to:

- Reduce prison growth
- Decrease recidivism
- Increase public safety
- Increase offender accountability

There were two parts to HB 3194. First, funds were allocated using the community corrections funding formula. Oregon is hitting the mark in curbing prison growth. Second, competitive funding will be released in the 15-17 biennium.

- The Criminal Justice Commission will apply rules, allocate funds and maintain compliance.
- 10% will go to community-based, non-profit victim services.
- The rules are in draft format.

Victims' Services in Marion County:

- *DA's Victim Services:* Kim Larson provided a one-page information sheet with victim services information. They provide scene response, education and outreach.
- *Center for Hope & Safety:* Jayne Downing gave an overview of services.
- *Salem Police Department:* Emily Collins gave an overview of the victim services offered through the Salem PD. Training is provided to officers as well.
- *Marion County Sheriff's Office:* Annette Chrisemer gave an overview of the Victim Services offered through the Parole & Probation Division.
- *Liberty House:* Alison Kelley shared the core services of Liberty House.

All programs help victims navigate the criminal justice system and understand resources. Sometimes the service agencies may overlap, but actual services are complementary.

The gaps in services that exist include:

- Restitution Collection
- Tangible Resources & Assistance
- Advocacy
- Expansion of Law Enforcement Investigators for domestic violence, sexual assault and child abuse
- Ability to provide acute child abuse exams

Restraining orders are discussed with victims; safety plans are reviewed; suggestions are made; it is also affirmed that a restraining order is only a piece of paper. The VINE program (Victim Information and Notification Everyday) works in conjunction with the inmate roster, and victims or interested parties may sign up to receive notification on inmates. The service is for jails, Department of Corrections and supervised offenders.

Commissioner Carlson welcomed Keeta Lauderdale (an interested community member) and her brother, Mike Wells. Mr. Wells will discuss his domestic violence work and center in Clackamas County at another time.

**Victim Services funding:**

- The Center for Hope & Safety is funded through federal grants, state grants and community donations.
- DA Victim Services is funded through county dollars, state funds (through fines and fees) as well as VOCA (Victims of Crime Act) and VAWA (Violence against Women Act) grants.
- Liberty House is funded through community donations, Child Abuse Multidisciplinary Intervention Fund, VOCA grants and other private grants and foundations.
- City of Salem – VAWA and city funding.
- Marion County Sheriff's Office - State community corrections funding.

Victims services needs to be kept in discussions as we move forward.

**E. Emerging Issues**

- Use of Force Discussion:
  - In the wake of the tragic Ferguson situation, Sheriff Myers and DA Walt Beglau issued a media statement describing Marion County's Use of Deadly Physical Force Response Plan.
  - Community education is component within the plan.
  - The purpose of the response plan is to be transparent about what happens in these situations, to allow for questions and to quickly respond.
  - Getting information out quickly to the community is important.
  - Agency cooperation is a big part of the answer.
  - Commissioner Carlson offered to add this as a future agenda item. Tom Ewing also would like to add body cam discussion.

**F. Other Business/Announcements**

- Oktoberfest in Mt. Angel this week.
- Marion County Reentry Initiative members will be joining this Council's next meeting.

**G. Adjourned at 6:00**

