

**MINUTES**  
**Mini-Cassia Jail Committee Meeting**  
**February 22, 2022**  
**8:00 A.M.**

The meeting was called to order by Prosecutor Stevenson at 8:00 A.M.

Minidoka County representatives present were: Commissioner McClellan, Prosecutor Stevenson and Sheriff Pinther.

Cassia County representatives present were: Commissioner Searle, Prosecutor Larsen and Undersheriff Thompson.

Others present were: Cassia County Administrator McMurray, Director Renz, Director Prewitt, Cassia County Deputy Clerk Wallace, Cassia County Deputy Clerk Evans, JDC Director Bodily, Minidoka Deputy Clerk Ramsey and Minidoka County Clerk Page.

Sheriff Pinther moved **to approve the minutes of February 8, 2022**, with a second voiced by Undersheriff Thompson. Motion carried.

**Criminal Justice Center – Director Renz**

Director Renz reported that they have 140 in custody: 49 Cassia, 36 Minidoka, 43 IDOC, 11 US Marshalls, 1 Twin Falls, which makes 55 beds rented today. Director Renz reported that the jail is down 5 deputies and soon to be 6. He visited with Undersheriff Thompson and Commissioner Searle about Aldana Acuna, she used to work part time and had to resign because of child care issues. He proposed to put her on as a full-time jail tech, Monday – Thursday on a temporary basis for a year. A discussion was held on PERSI, Deputy Clerk Evans will check into any concerns in doing this. Commissioner Searle made **the motion, in condition to Heathers research, to hire Aldana Acuna on a temporary status**, Undersheriff Thompson voiced a second. Motion carried.

### **Adult Misdemeanor Probation – Director Prewitt**

Director Prewitt reported that they have 1063 active probationers and 364 pretrial. She presented to the Cassia County Commissioners an increase for the cleaning service. They are asking for a 15% increase due to the increase in wages and supply increase. Cassia approved a 10% increase for the remaining of this year, and the additional 5% for the FY23 budget. Amber will not be at the March 8, 2022 meeting and was asked to have someone sit in for her.

### **Juvenile Detention Center – Director Bodily**

Director Bodily reported that there are 5 in detention, 2 Cassia and 1 Minidoka. He is still looking for a full-time male detention officer.

### **Criminal Justice Center Budget – Clerk Larsen**

Deputy Clerk Evans reported that at 39% of the year gone: the expenditures for the jail is at 38 % expended and revenues look good; misdemeanor probation expenditures are at 37% and revenue is at 47%.

### **Juvenile Detention Center Budget – Clerk Page**

Nothing has changed since the last meeting for the Juvenile Detention Center.

### **Commissioner/Sheriff**

Undersheriff Thompson had nothing to report.

Sheriff Pinther had nothing to report but informed everyone today is 2/22/22.

Commissioner Searle asked what the status is with the US Marshall contract. Director Renz reported they have requested additional information. IDOC inmates have become available so he is not taking additional inmates from the US Marshall. He also asked the status of the State contract. Director Renz reported there has been no movement on the contract, he reached out a couple times but they are not at the point yet to agree to a certain number of beds. He confirmed that they are currently paying \$55.00 and after 7 days \$75.00.

Commissioner McClellan had nothing to report.

Prosecutor Larsen had nothing to report.

Administrator McMurray had nothing to report.

Commissioner **Searle moved to adjourn** with a second voiced by Undersheriff Thompson. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:24 A.M.

**Next Meeting: March 22, 2022, 8:00 A.M. via zoom**