

MINUTES
MINI-CASSIA JAIL COMMITTEE MEETING
Date: September 14, 2021
Time: 8:00 a.m.

1. **Call to order** by Cassia Prosecutor Larsen at 7:59 AM.
2. **Roll call:** Minidoka County representatives present were: Commissioner McClellan, Sheriff Pinther. Cassia County representatives present were: Commissioner Searle, Prosecutor Larsen, Under Sheriff Thompson. Others present were: Criminal Justice Center Director Renz, Adult Misdemeanor Probation Director Prewitt, Juvenile Detention Director Bodily, Minidoka County Clerk Page, Cassia County Administrator Kerry McMurray, Cassia Deputy Clerk Wallace and Minidoka Deputy Clerk Ramsey.
3. **Approval of Minutes of August 24, 2021.**
Under Sheriff Thompson made a motion to **approve the minutes of August 24, 2021** with a second voiced by Sheriff Pinther. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS ACTION ITEMS

4. **Criminal Justice Center – Mr. Renz**
 - a. **Personnel – action**

Director Renz has received applications for one open position that he has, they will do testing tomorrow, applicants are Nancy Moreno, Keaira Smith, McKenna Cleverley and Gavin Jones. Sheriff Pinter moved **to hire an applicant** if they pass the background check and PT provided, that Director Renz completes the background check by talking to Sheriff Pinter, with a second voiced by Undersheriff Thompson. Motion carried.
 - b. **Inmate Tracking System & ICRMP grant– action**

Guardian RFD proposal of \$36,290.00 for initial & install. ICRMP will reimburse \$15,600.00 of that cost. This was not budgeted for and will wipe out the security line budget. This is a 1-year contract that can be renewed for 1 year, 3 times, for a total of 4 years with a fixed cost of \$7,030.00 per year. A discussion regarding concerns about it not being budgeted for and the options to cover it. Undersheriff Thompson made the motion **to approved the purchase and execution of the program Guardian RFD**, with a second voiced by Sheriff Pinter. Further discussion on the budget and agreed that there is money, it will need to be moved around. Commissioner McClellan commented that this will save us money on ICRMP premiums. Motion carried. The go live date has not been determined, it will need the contract approved by both county prosecutors and then presented at both county commission meetings.
 - c. **Proposal for radio repeater - action**

It has come to Director Renz attention that there are dead spots around the facility that can not transmit or receive, the intercom system is being used in these dead spotswhich is unsafe. All wireless Communications was contacted to prepare a quote to fix the problem by putting in a repeater, this came back as \$3,847.00. A discussion followed regarding the type of area is not the problem but that the officer could be in that area and needed somewhere else and not hear the call. A motion was made

by Sheriff Pinther **to purchase the repeater** with a seconded voiced by Understeriff Thompson. Motion carried.

5. **Adult Misdemeanor Probation – Ms. Prewitt**

a. Personnel – action

Ms. Prewitt was approved to hire a full time male pretrial officer-UA tech, after posting the opening, an individual applied, interviewed and did very well. Ms. Prewitt called and got approval by most of the board to hire and told to ratify the hiring today, his name is Tyler Stofey. Commissioner Searle moved **to ratify the hiring of Tyler Stofey** for the Misdemeanor UA Tech position with a second voiced by Commissioner McClellan. Motion carried.

6. **Juvenile Detention Center – Mr. Bodily**

a. Personnel – action

Nothing to report.

7. **Executive Session was not needed.**

REPORTS OF ACTIVITY

8. **Budget Matters - Clerk Page, Clerk Larsen**

Clerk Page - JDC is at 85% spent on a 95% year. However, there is only \$198,221.00 to last us until the end of January. She will ask for more money next year.

Deputy Clerk Wallace - Misdemeanor probation is at 95% year gone with 99% revenue; expenditures are at 85%.

Jail is at 95% year gone with revenue at 72.18%, expenditures are at 88%. Reminder to everyone, they are trying to wrap up the year so the last date to submit anything will be October 13th.

9. **Juvenile Detention Center – Mr. Bodily** - This morning their population was 3 juveniles in detention, 2 from Cassia and 1 from Minidoka.

10. **Adult Misdemeanor Probation – Ms. Prewitt** - Currently they have 849 on active probation, 360 on pretrial release. The new pretrial officer has jumped on board and will do a great job. They don't have an office for him so they built a couple offices out of 10 ft cubicles with the help of the DV class. He will get furniture and a computer next week. They worked hard this year to not spend and should have around \$130,000.00 in the bank.

11. **Criminal Justice Center – Mr. Renz** - Population is 115 with Cassia at 40 and Minidoka at 35, 25 IDOC, 12 US marshal, 1 ICE and 1 Twin Falls for 39 rented beds. Two inmates have tested positive with COVID, 1 came from Twin Falls and 1 tested positive that has been there for a month. They will quarantine everyone even though they have been quarantined where they came from. This is difficult because it reduces our ability to receive other inmates, but needs to be done to prevent an outbreak. June and July payment of \$144,000.00 from IDOC has not been received yet, Director Renz will contact them and demand the payment.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS ACTION ITEMS

12. Nothing to report.

Prosecutor Stevenson will chair the next meeting, Prosecutor Larsen will be excused.

Sheriff Pinther commented on an applicant.

Undersheriff Thompson moved to **adjourn the meeting** with a second voiced by Commissioner McClellan.
Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 AM.

Next Meeting: September 28, 2021, 8:00 AM via zoom.