

# **Criminal Justice Collaborative Council**

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**CJCC Cull Council Minutes  
September 21, 2007  
LLRC- Room A  
Ann Arbor, MI  
7:30am – 9:00am**

- Members Present:** Brian Mackie (County Prosecutor), Barbara Ryan Fuller (Public Representative), J. Cedric Simpson (14A District Court Chief Judge), Robert Brackenbury (Public Representative), Paul Bunten (Chief of Police, City of Saline), Barbara Levin Bergman (Community Corrections Advisory Chair), Patrick Hughes (Department of Corrections Probation), Ann Mattson (15<sup>th</sup> District Court Chief Judge), Dan Dwyer (Trial Court Administrator), Dan Minzey (County Sheriff)
- Members Absent:** Lawrence Kestenbaum (Clerk/Register), Archie Brown (Circuit Court Chief Judge), Jeff Irwin (Chair, Board of Commissioners), Bob Guenzel (County Administrator), John Shea (Attorney, Bar Association Representative), Mike Moran (Ann Arbor Township Supervisor), Lloyd Powell (Public Defender/Defense Attorney), Donna Sabourin (Director, CSTS), Charles Pope (Magistrate-14B District Court)
- Others Present:** Stephanie Jensen (CJCC Intern), Kirk Filsinger (Jail Commander), Scott Patton (CJCC Staff), Bob Carbeck (Deputy Trial Court Administrator), David Behen (Deputy County Administrator), Karen Edman (Deputy Clerk/Register of Deeds), Steve Hiller (Chief Deputy Prosecuting Attorney), Julie Chaffee (Director, Community Corrections), Susan Beecher (Support Services), Karen Korte (Sheriff Representative), Jim Zwolensky (Project Manager, Support Services), John Phillips (Police Chief, Pittsfield Township), Gary Greenfield (Lieutenant, Sheriff)

## **Call to Order**

CJCC Chair J. Cedric Simpson called the meeting to order at 7:34am.

### **I. Approval of Minutes**

The motion to approve the minutes of the August 17, 2007 CJCC Full Council meeting was made by J. Cedric Simpson; all in favor.

### **II. Public Participation**

None.

### **III. Pretrial Committee**

Simpson stated that the meeting would be mostly informational, as there were no decisions to be made at this time.

Simpson referred to materials distributed at the meeting regarding the pretrial committee's recommendation practice changes for arraignments. The memo outlines the conflicts with representation for defendants with the public defenders which causes a delay due to adjournments to find new counsel. The committee recommends that the public defender be appointed to all co-defendants, after which the decision to withdraw can be made. Also, all incarcerated individuals that claim they will hire private counsel will be appointed a public defender until private counsel is named. Discussion ensued.

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## **IV. Jail Population Demographic Reports**

Patton referenced the data distributed at the July meeting and a new data retrieval system that will be available. He added that he will be trained on the system.

## **V. Jail Population/Building Capacity**

Sheriff Minzey reported that due to overcrowding, his facility lacks appropriate cells to place inmates. His staff is exploring the possibility of using classroom space as temporary housing for when the jail population reaches 400 and all other jail beds are occupied, including temporary housing in the gym. He does not anticipate the classroom space being needed in the immediate future but does believe that classroom space will be required for housing at some point prior to the jail expansion. He wanted to bring this issue to the attention of the CJCC, as lack of classroom space will limit the jail's ability to supply programs to inmates. In many cases, completion of programs can lead to a reduction in the amount of time an inmate is sentenced.

Discussion ensued about how to address the issue. Simpson asked CJCC members to forward any comments and ideas about how to best address the issue to Patton.

## **VI. Jail District court Construction Update**

Zwolensky gave an overview of the progress and layout of the jail and district court construction. He indicated that the information is also available online.

## **VII. Update – Public Engagement**

Patton stated that a centralized communication plan was in the proposed budget and would be presented to the Board of Commissioners from administration.

## **VIII. Adjournment**

J. Cedric Simpson declared the meeting adjourned at 9:00am.

### **Next meeting**

The next CJCC Full Council meeting is scheduled for Friday, October 19, 2007, 7:30am at the LLRC, Room A.