

PUBLIC SAFETY COORDINATING COUNCIL

MINUTES

TUESDAY,
AUGUST 28, 2012

11:30

JUSTICE BUILDING –
JURY ASSEMBLY ROOM, 2ND FLOOR

MEETING CALLED BY	Shane Hagey
ATTENDEES	Rodney Countryman, Tim Doney, Doug Engle, Julie Evans, Tim George, Mark Huddleston, Danny Jordan, Bob Kleker, Lorenzo Mejia, Michele Morales, Mark Orndoff, Mark Reagles, John Stromberg, Randy Sparacino, Maureen Graham, Michaela Beck.

- Shane Hagey opened the meeting at 11:37 am
- Opening Remarks: Shane welcomed everyone to the August PSCC meeting. Shane introduced Abe Huntley, Director from Josephine County Community Justice.

Agenda Topics

MINUTES ADOPTION (JUNE)

SHANE HAGEY

DISCUSSION	
Shane asked if everyone had a chance to review the minutes for June. Mark Huddleston proposed a motion to formally adopt the minutes, the motion was seconded by Bob Kleker and all were in favor. The minutes for June were formally adopted.	

MENTAL HEALTH SUB-COMMITTEE

MARK ORNDOFF

DISCUSSION	
<p>Mark provided an update on client #1, the first client the sub-committee staffed and started working with. While client #1 has presented challenges, the complexity of the client's issues highlight the need to coordinate care and adopt a systems approach. As Mental Health's primary charge is to serve those on the Oregon Health Plan (OHP), many of those appearing on the Medford Police Department list of individuals most contacted with mental health issues, are not eligible for services. While Coordinated Care Organizations (CCO's) may offer some long term flexible funding options, short term the options and funding is limited. There was also discussion about the viability of targeting the most difficult case(s) right out of the gate. Further assessment will occur in this area in the coming months but in the meantime it was agreed to get additional multi-disciplinary team (MDT) meetings conducted in order to assess the target population and the effectiveness of the coordinated intervention of this committee. There was also an acknowledgment of the limited system capacity to address a specialized population at the time and that resources to this effort long term would need to be assessed.</p> <p>Mark expressed the sub-committee will staff the 2nd client on September 4th and are hoping for more success. Tawyna Moore from Community Justice has been identified as the acting case manager for these clients initially. In addition, Mark identified Stacy Brubaker as Jackson County Mental Health's new Crisis Manager. Stacy comes to us with a rich body of crisis experience from the State of Utah and will be making the rounds introducing herself and identifying ways in which we can collaborate more effectively.</p> <p>Shane suggested obtaining a mental health release of information signed as a court condition in order to attempt to keep them out of jail and in treatment. This suggestion would need further discussion to determine feasibility.</p> <p>Danny asked Mark to provide an update on the new Mental Health Building. Mark stated the County purchased the old post office in downtown Medford. The current plan is to demolish the old building and construct a new one, as this is more cost effective. Danny stated the plans for the new building will be two stories with a six story parking garage. There is no project begin date at this point.</p>	

PRESENTATION – JOSEPHINE COUNTY – FINANCIAL & SERVICE LEVEL UPDATE

ABE HUNTLEY

DISCUSSION	
<p>Abe Huntley provided an update on Josephine County's financial and service levels. Abe stated a lot of changes have occurred in the past six months. Josephine County is half the size of Jackson County which does help solve the smaller issues however, Abe stated the latest levy did not pass within the county but did pass with the city. As a result of the levy failure at the County level, the jail went from 260 beds down to 60, 30 of which belong to the FEDs and another 10 are just set aside. Most clients are being cited to court instead of being booked. Last year \$7 million was cut from the Sheriff's Office taking away from the patrol division and cutting out the detective unit. The dispatch is now 5 days a week, 8 hours</p>	

a day and the response time is often ½ hour to an hour before police can assist. In the off hours, life threatening emergencies are routed to Oregon State Police. The Juvenile department lost 15 employees and is currently renting from the Jackson County Juvenile Department. The courts still have Mental Health Court and Drug court but will be losing the Mental Health Court soon. The District Attorney's office lost 8 employees but received a onetime fund to help maintain two DA positions however once the money is expended the positions will be eliminated. Abe stated the number of phone calls have increased at Probation from citizens who want probation to do something due to the lack of officers. Abe stated there is currently 300 citizens who come together to discuss county issues and use natural resources to fund those areas of issue.

Next Scheduled PSCC Meeting: Tuesday, September 25 , 2012 at 11:30 am

Meeting Adjourned: 12:55 pm