

Manitowoc County Criminal Justice Coordinating Council
Minutes January 3, 2024
Communications and Technology Building, Manitowoc

Attendance: Council members Present: County Board Supervisor James Falkowski, Chief Paul Granger, Sheriff Dan Hartwig, Patricia Koppa (council secretary/non-voting), District Attorney Jacalyn LaBre, Attorney Ann Larson, Cindy Oswald, and Jennifer Zick.

Absent/Excused: Attorney John Bilka, Lori Fure, Clerk of Court April Higgins, Chief Benjamin Meinnert, Judge Mark Rohrer (Chair), and County Executive Bob Ziegelbauer.

Others Present: Ellen Floate, Stacy Ledvina, Cooper Schmidt, Nancy Slattery.

Meeting called to order by Vice Chair District Attorney Jacalyn LaBre at 4:49 PM. Attendance sheet circulated.

Vice Chair DA LaBre asked for any corrections to the September 6, 2023 minutes. No corrections were offered and Supervisor James Falkowski made the motion to approve, Attorney Ann Larson seconded and the minutes were unanimously approved.

No one present for public comment.

Introduced Cooper Schmidt, who will be attending going forward in place of Jeremy Kronforst for the Manitowoc Police Department.

Ellen Floate reported on Drug court: There are 17 participants with two additional applications pending. The next graduation is January 17.

Attorney Larson noted the Access to Court committee has yet to meet. Preliminary meeting had a variety of issues involving the Clerk of Court office so will try to coordinate with April Higgins.

Stacy Ledvina reported that the Deflection and Diversion grant was received. The first stage is planning and meetings are being scheduled. This grant was \$68,000 and is in coordination with the RFK National Resource Center for Juvenile Justice. John Tuell, Executive Director presented to the stakeholders in December and is excited to be working with us. The Leadership teams will be meeting with the next large session scheduled for February 15.

Discussion followed regarding how frequently the Council should meet. Agreed to continue current schedule since there are new issues being worked on. Can reconsider going forward.


Election of officers and Executive Committee

Discussion regarding interest. Slate of Candidates offered by Sheriff Dan Hartwig: Chair Judge Rohrer, Vice Chair DA LaBre, 3 at large seats: Jennifer Zick, Attorney Larson and Chief Meinnert. Nomination of slate seconded by Attorney Larson. No other nominations offered. Unanimously elected.

Next meeting of Council will be March 6 and the Executive Committee will meet January 11.

Motion to Adjourn by Attorney Larson, second by Chief Paul Granger and meeting adjourned at 5:12 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Patricia A. Koppa, Council Secretary