

Manitowoc County CJCC Meeting  
Manitowoc County Communications and Technology Building

September 3, 2025, 4:45 p.m.

Attendance: Present: Vice Chair – Jacalyn LaBre, Attorney John Bilka, Supervisor James Falkowski, Lori Fure, Sheriff Dan Hartman, Attorney Ann Larson, Clerk of Court Angela Linderud, Chief Ben Meinnert, Jennifer Zick, Stacey Ledvina, Jerry Mutchie, Patricia Koppa, Amanda Keagle.

Absent/Excused: Chairperson – Judge Mark Rohrer, Chief Paul Granger.

In absence of the chair and vice chair, Chief Ben Meinnert called meeting to order at 4:46 p.m. Roll call circulated.

Consideration and correction, if any, of the May 7, 2025, council meeting minutes. Motion by Supervisor James Falkowski; second by Sheriff Dan Hartman. Motion approved.

Moment of silence for passing of Council member Cindy Oswald.

Introduction of Angela Linderud, Clerk of Court.

No public input.

Vice Chair Jacalyn LaBre arrived and took over meeting.

Drug Court Update – Amanda Keagle indicated 14 participants. Reported status of participants. Next graduation is September 17. Continuing the work of re-writing handbook. Team recently appeared on Be My Guest program through WOMT. The picnic will be on Saturday September 6 from 12 -4 at Lincoln Park and is open to the public. The annual TAD grant has been awarded. Drug Court is now being Livestreamed. Noted some technical issues with applause not being broadcast. Also, curious to know number of people viewing.

Access to the Courts – Ann Larson noted that with the departures of April Higgins and Gerry Neuser the status of various requests is not known. Will follow-up and discuss with a meeting to be set later this month.

MYIN – Stacy Ledvina reported that the Juvenile Policies have been fully approved and published and are now part of the local rules. The Deflection and Diversion grant concluded on June 30. Lessons learned will be incorporated into practice to continue keeping younger youth from entering the system. There were 18 referrals thus far in 2025. Two referrals for 17-year-olds were rejected, but the remaining 16 were referred to programming. Youth and families were positive about the experience. Anticipate continuing to follow-up to track mid- and long-term benefits.

Some discussion about the citizen representative position. Could check bylaws if appointing to finish term, but terms do start in January. Suggested that any interested names be provided to Ms. Koppa and can be considered as needed by the Executive Committee.

Meeting frequency discussion. Feel the number of Council meetings should not be reduced lower than quarterly. Motion made to set a quarterly schedule by Supervisor Falkowski with second by Attorney

John Bilka. Which months to hold the meetings must be determined by the Executive Committee but should avoid overly long breaks. Holding Executive Committee meetings in the month prior to each council meeting seems appropriate. Additional meetings can be set up as needed.

Next meeting: **November 5, 2025** at 4:45 p.m., at the Communication and Technology Building;  
Executive Committee Meeting: **October 9, 2025**, at 12:15 p.m.

Motion to adjourn by Jennifer Zick; Second by Chief Meinnert.

Adjourned 5:08 p.m

Respectfully submitted,  
Patricia Koppa  
Council Secretary