

Minutes of the Manitowoc County Criminal Justice Coordinating Council
Manitowoc County Communications and Technology Building

March 4, 2026, 4:45 p.m.

Attendance: Present: Probation & Parole Supervisor Jennifer Zick, Vice Chairperson –DA Jacalyn LaBre, Attorney Ann Larson, Clerk of Court Angela Linderud, Chairperson – Judge Mark Rohrer, Bob Ziegelbauer, Stacey Ledvina, Amanda Keagle, Tom Denk, Sheriff Dan Hartwig, Supervisor Dan Heilman

Absent/Excused: Attorney John Bilka, Chief Paul Granger, Lori Fure, Chief Ben Meinnert, Supervisor James Falkowski, Chief Paul Granger, Supervisor Nicholas Muench

Chair Judge Mark Rohrer called meeting to order at 4:50 p.m. Quorum present and Attendance sheet circulated.

Consideration and correction, if any, of the January 7, 2026, council meeting minutes, no questions or corrections. Motion made by DA Jacalyn LaBre to accept minutes, seconded by Sheriff Dan Hartwig. Motion approved.

Introduction of Supervisor Dan Heilman and Mary Walice (League of Women’s Voter)

Public comment: Mary Walice (League of Women’s Voter): Stated she has reached out to Lori Fure with Human Services and understands Human Services is not in a position to take on a Mental Health Court. Questions posed by Mary Walice: 1) Does CJCC see a benefit for Mental Health Court 2) If so, the League is willing to assist with research to be able to look at options in Manitowoc.

Discussion:

Ann Larson: At this time, she does not see this happening. At the National Conference for Mental Health Court, she learned that if there is not enough money to sustain the program, then a Court should not be started; due the lack of resources available currently, it would not be advisable for Manitowoc County to start a mental health court; if resources were available, then yes, a Court could be explored.

Judge Rohr: Mental Health Court could be damaging if funds are not available; given diagnosis, programming, and the fact that funds are needed for longer period of time

Bob Ziegelbauer: At this time, there is a shortage of providers available

Thomas Denk: Inquired about Crisis Interventions Partners/Programs (CIP) and agreed to bring additional information to CJCC in regards to how other counties are utilizing CIP. Law Enforcement currently has CIT.

Updates:

Access to Courts: Attorney Ann Larson– Waiting to review drafts of jury surveys; no other updates

Manitowoc Youth Intervention – no update

Drug Court: Amanda Keagle- Program currently has 10 participants; 3 female and 7 male. 2 participants on deck, both of which are male. 3 participants working on obtaining GED. 0 participants in residential treatment or pending termination hearing. Next tentative graduation occurring in May. Team has finished updating the Policy & Procedure manual, the new updated Participant Handbook with all changes reflected will be given to participants at the 3/18/2026 All Client meeting. The Alumni group is meeting monthly, they participated in the Coldest Night of the Year fundraiser (along with 2 current participants). Team and program’s peer supports will be attending WATCP Conference from 04/22-04/24. The program nominated one alumnus to speak at the conference to represent the Manitowoc Drug Court program.

Update on Secretary Position: DA LaBre will send notice of meetings; Judge Rohr will take care of distributing notice of meetings; Chief Meinnert will take Executive notes and Supervisor Jennifer Zick will be back up; Amanda Keagle has agreed to take Council minutes.

Follow Up on Public Education: Bail / Bond procedures education discussed. Due to schedules, no parties have met to discuss next steps. Judge Rohr will meet with DA LaBre and Public Defender Ann Larson as soon as their schedules allow to discuss.

Discussion For Next Election: Regarding citizen council representative- Supervisor Jennifer Zick updated council that future citizen council representatives would not be elected if on community supervision with the Department of Corrections due to possible conflict.

Next Meeting: **May 6, 2026** at 4:45pm, at the Communication and Technology Building with following council meeting occurring in September; Executive Committee Meeting **April 16, 2026** at 12:15pm in Branch 1 Jury Room.

Closing Remarks: Thomas Denk invited everyone to participate in Reentry Simulation on 03/16/2026 in Appleton from 6-8pm; register online; Thomas Denk will send out flyer with information.

Motion to adjourn by Judge Mark Rohrer; Second by DA Jacalyn LaBre

Meeting Adjourned – 5:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Amanda Keagle
Drug Court Coordinator