

JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

Friday, April 6, 2018

PRESENT: M. Walters, L. Dalton, G. Glasper, M. Parkinson, C. Dutton, P. Chapman, J. Goggin

OTHERS: M. Von Nida, Judge Hylla, J. Lakin, J. Connor, E. Decker, B. Rizzi, T. Gibbons, Judge Napp, J. Rekowski, J. Volkmar, J. Wiesehan

L. Dalton made a correction to the minutes, there was a mix up on who asked a question.

L. Dalton moved, seconded by G. Glasper, to approve the March minutes as corrected. **MOTION CARRIED.**

DETENTION HOME:

J. Volkmar reported to the committee that the center averaged 26.5 kids a day. The monthly total was 35 kids. He also reported that the center is getting certified with PRIA, they should be certified by August 2019.

PROBATION:

J. Wiesehan reported the department is servicing about 4000 clients. The case loads are rising and with summer approaching they assume the numbers will continue to rise.

CIRCUIT CLERK:

M. Von Nida reported that the facilities department has been painting and laying carpet in the courthouse for the expanding of the public access room. He also reported that the state supreme court has adopted an e-file Illinois.

CIRCUIT COURT:

Judge Hylla reported that the law library remodel is going smoothly. A new associate judge was elected recently, Ryan Jumper was sworn in and will be presiding in the family division. There is still another vacancy for associate judge, the ballots are due on April 11th for that position. He also reported that there will be another expungement day on August 25th in Granite City.

SHERIFF:

The jail population report was handed out. Today's count is 290.

PUBLIC DEFENDER:

J. Rekowski reported that the department is close to moving into the CJC offices. He also reported that a secretary and attorney has been hired and will start this month.

STATES ATTORNEY:

T. Gibbons reported that April is child abuse prevention month. T. Gibbons handed out a summary of written responses that Mr. Chapman had asked questions on regarding the opioid crisis. Some of the questions were what litigation would look like, how will the money be spent, and how long this process would take. The committee agreed to review it and come back next month with any questions.

T. Gibbons also informed the committee that he is planning on forming a group to look into unsolved murder cases that have been out there for almost a decade. Jennifer Mudge has taken on this project.

T. Gibbons reported that his office has been approved for a federal grant for a victim services specialist

The following purchase request was presented to the committee:

1. The request to purchase carpet for the law library remodel. The cost is \$6,088.70.

Ms. Dalton moved, seconded by Mr. Goggin to approve the purchase request as presented. The ayes and nays being called on the motion to approve resulted in a vote as follows: AYES: Parkinson, Dalton, Dutton, Goggin, Chapman and Glasper. NAYS: None.

Ms. Glasper moved, seconded by Ms. Dalton, to approve the bills for the month. The ayes and nays being called on the motion to approve resulted in a vote as follows: AYES: Parkinson, Dalton, Dutton, Goggin, Chapman and Glasper. NAYS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

P. Chapman informed the committee that one of the candidates for Governor has been talking about the legalization of marijuana if he becomes elected. P. Chapman stated this is a concern for him.

Mr. Parkinson moved, seconded by Ms. Dutton, to move into executive session to discuss security measures with the sheriff's department. The ayes and nays being called on the motion to approve resulted in a vote as follows: AYES: Parkinson, Dalton, Dutton, Goggin, Chapman and Glasper. NAYS: None.

Mr. Parkinson moved, seconded by Ms. Glasper to adjourn the meeting. **MOTION CARRIED.**

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