



**MARATHON COUNTY
CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL EXECUTIVE
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

**Thursday, June 15, 2023, at 7:30 a.m. – 8:00 am
Employee Resources Conference Room, Courthouse, 500 Forest Street, Wausau WI**

Members	Present	Absent
Judge Suzanne O’Neill (Chair)	X	
Board Chair Kurt Gibbs (Vice Chair)	X	
County Administrator Lance Leonhard	X	
Chief Deputy Billeb		X

Also present: Laura Yarie, Ruth Heinzl

1. Call Meeting to Order

Chair O’Neill called the meeting to order at at 7:30 a.m.

2. Public Comment (not to exceed 15 minutes) - None

3. Approval of the Minutes of the April 20, 2023, CJCC Executive meeting

MOTION BY LEONHARD; SECOND BY GIBBS TO APPROVE THE APRIL 20, 2003, EXECUTIVE CJCC MEETING MINUTES. MOTION CARRIED.

4. Educational Presentations and Committee Discussion - None

5. Policy Issues for Discussion and Possible Action

A. Approval of the 2023 CJCC Workplan

Discussion: Group reviewed workplan, Leonhard called for any comments, deletions, or additions.

Action: **MOTION BY LEONHARD; SECOND BY GIBBS TO APPROVE THE 2023 CJCC WORKPLAN AS PRESENTED, MOTION CARRIED.**

B. Defense Attorney Whitepaper

Discussion: Judge O’Neill gives an overview of ideas taken from her May meeting with local defense attorneys. Non-monetary suggestions included the idea of asking an attorney to take a case before appointing. Several attorneys stated they took themselves off the list due to not wanting to be automatically assigned and not have an option to decline. The group also suggested interim billing as cases can go on for a long time and a self-employed attorney would not get paid for long periods of time. Suggestions that would increase cost included pay for mileage and travel to take cases. Use of contracts with private bar attorneys, with agreed upon fee at the end of the year. Offer workspace with printer and phone, desk, lighting, and heat included. Recruit law school graduates with a bonus or assist with small business start up costs. Mentoring program for young attorneys. Heinzl suggested working with MCDEVCO or the Chamber to help attract attorneys to the area.

Action: Judge O’Neill to finalize whitepaper to present in July to the Public Safety Committee.

C. OWI Treatment Court Transition

Discussion: Yarie presented the consensus from the group discussion on the future of the OWI Treatment Court.

Follow Up: Yarie to update the full council on the group recommendations.

6. Operational functions required by bylaws, Statute, Ordinance, or Resolution

A. Discussion of potential items for the July 20th, 2023, Marathon County Criminal Justice Coordinating Council Meeting Agenda, and potential recommendations for consideration.

Discussion:

July CJCC meeting to be a continuation of Health Department guided discussion on Opioid Settlement Funds.

7. Next Meeting Date & Time, Location, Announcements and Future Agenda Items:

A. Next meeting August 17th, 2023, at 7:30 a.m., Courthouse Assembly Room. Members asked to bring agenda ideas for future discussion.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 8:00 a.m. by Judge O’Neill.