

CHIPPEWA COUNTY
CRIMINAL JUSTICE COLLABORATING COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
May 25, 2021
CHIPPEWA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, RM 302
7:45 AM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Gibbs called the meeting to order at 7:55 a.m. Waited for a Quorum to arrive.

2. ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Position	Status	Arrived
Judge Steve Gibbs (Chair)	Presiding Judge for Chippewa County or Designee	Present	
Tim Easker (Vice-Chair)	Director of Chippewa County Department of Human Services or Designee	Present	
Randy Scholz	County Administrator	Present	
Jim Kowalczyk	County Sheriff or Designee (Chris Kowalczyk)	Present	
Curt Dutton	Jail Administrator or Designee (Dan Modl)	Present	
Kyra Secraw	Youth Justice/CWDA Manager	Present	
Matt Kelm	Chief of Police - Chippewa Falls or Designee	Absent	
Louis Eslinger	Chief of Police - Outlying Community or Designee	Absent	
Wade Newell/ Roy Gay	District Attorney or Designee (Scott Zehr)	Both Present	Scott- 7:50 Wade- 8:10
Kirby Harless	Representative of the State Public Defender Office	Present	8:00
Karen Hepfler	Clerk of Circuit Court or Designee	Absent	
Megan Popenhagen/ Melissa Buesgen	Department of Corrections Supervisor for Chippewa County or Designee	Melissa Present	
Denise Shervey	Child Support Director or Designee	Absent	
Lee McMenamin	County Board Supervisor	Present	
Geri Segal	Citizen Member	Absent	
Steve Norlander (Jail Chaplain)	Citizen Member	Present	
Vacant	Citizen Member		

Others Present: Rose Baier, Criminal Justice Services Director

3. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO BE HEARD

There were no members of the public wishing to be heard.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

RESULT:	APPROVED [10 TO 0]
MOVER:	Scholz
SECONDER:	Easker
AYES:	Gibbs, Easker, Scholz, Kowalczyk, Modl, Secraw, Zehr, Buesgen, McMenamin, Norlander
ABSENT:	Harless, Hepfler, Kelm, Shervey, Segal
AWAY:	

1. Approve the Agenda
2. Minutes of February 23, 2021 Meeting
3. Schedule Next Meeting Date – August 24, 2021

5. BUSINESS ITEMS

1. **Application for New CJCC Member**

Baier reviewed the application for new CJCC membership with the committee. Nichole Wallsch applied to be a new Citizen Member. She was unable to be at today's meeting due to being on vacation. The group unanimously agreed to her addition to the CJCC. Scholz will bring his recommendation forward to the June County Board Meeting.

RESULT:	APPROVED [11 TO 0]
MOVER:	McMenamin
SECONDER:	Secraw
AYES:	Gibbs, Easker, Scholz, Kowalczyk, Modl, Secraw, Zehr, Buesgen, McMenamin, Norlander, Harless
ABSENT:	Hepfler, Kelm, Shervey, Segal
AWAY:	

6. REPORTS

1. **Take a Stand Against Meth Campaign Update**

Baier updated the group on the goals of the campaign and explained they are working on prioritizing and action planning. The group is recommending becoming a part of the Crime Stoppers program. Baier provided a presentation on what crime stoppers is, the benefits and next steps. The group agreed this would be a great opportunity.

RESULT: DISCUSSED

2. **Proxy Tool Discussion**

Currently proxy tools are completed on all criminal arrests. Baier suggested now that we have Pretrial Services and the PSA, more information is available than we previously had. Therefore, it is recommended that jurisdictions only need to complete the Proxy on all first-time offenders for potential referral to the FTO program. The group discussed this and agreed. Baier will meet with area chiefs to discuss this change.

RESULT: DISCUSSED

3. Poverty Simulation

The group is still interested in hosting a poverty simulation sometime toward the end of summer or Fall. It was suggested to have it at a larger event location such as high school gym or NWSF grounds. Baier will look into options for availability and potential site locations.

RESULT: DISCUSSED

4. Program Updates

- Recovery Court Report: RC will be participating in a National Drug Court Institute Tune-Up training June 1 and 2. This will be a great opportunity to look at the program as a whole and make changes to align with Key Components. Baier submitted a four-year enhancement Federal Grant primarily for treatment services, to support Hope House, and Recovery Coaches. Discuss was held around the referrals to Recovery Court and numbers being down at this time.
- First Time Offender – FTO program is doing fine. The numbers were down significantly last year due to COVID.
- Front-End Intervention Treatment – Baier and Lawcewicz will be presenting at the Pretrial Service Professionals training this summer related to FIT and FTO programs in Chippewa County. FIT program continues to have positive results.
- Programming – All programs have returned to in-person. Baier has been working with Jeanne Walsh from UW-Extension related to starting some programs in the jail including a Book Literacy program and Moral Reconation Therapy. These will be virtual.
- Pre-Trial – Pretrial is going well. Judge Lane and Baier will be on a panel discussion for the state related to pretrial July 8th and Judge Gibbs will be on a Judge's Panel on July 22. The state is in the first steps of rolling pretrial out to the other counties not in the pilot.
- CJS will have three interns this summer working with the various programs.

RESULT: DISCUSSED

7. OTHER EMERGING ISSUES

8. AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

Poverty Simulation

IX. ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned without objection at 9 a.m.