

Minutes of the Justice Committee

The Justice Committee of the McLean County Board met on Monday, January 3, 2005 at 5:00 p.m. in Room 400 of the Government Center, 115 E. Washington Street, Bloomington, Illinois.

Members Present: Chairman Renner, Members Owens, Harding, and Rackauskas

Members Absent: Members O'Conner and Nuckolls

Other Board Members
Present: None

Staff Present: Mr. John Zeunik, County Administrator, Mr. Terry Lindberg, Assistant County Administrator and Ms. Jude LaCasse, Assistant to the County Administrator

Department Heads/
Elected Officials
Present: Mr. William Yoder, State's Attorney; Mr. Dave Goldberg, Director, Juvenile Detention Center; Sheriff Dave Owens; Ms. Joan Naour, Director, Correctional Health Services; Ms. Roxanne Castleman, Director, Court Services; Mr. Curtis Hawk, Director, ESDA; Mr. Will Scanlon, Trial Court Administrator

Others Present: Mr. Derick Love, Chief Deputy Sheriff, Mr. John Hennessey and Mr. Dave Young, Behavioral Interventions (BI)

Chairman Renner called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

Chairman Renner presented the minutes from the December 6, 2004 Justice Committee Meeting for approval.

Motion by Owens/Harding to approve the Minutes of the December 6, 2004 Committee Meeting.
Motion carried.

Chairman Renner presented the November 2004 Public Defender Monthly Case Load Report as submitted by Ms. Amy Davis. Chairman Renner asked if anyone had any comments, observations or questions on the reports. There were none.

Chairman Renner presented the Coroner's monthly report as submitted by Ms. Beth Kimmerling. Chairman Renner asked if anyone had any comments, observations or questions on the report. Hearing none, he introduced Ms. Roxanne Castleman, Director, Court Services.

Ms. Castleman presented four items for action. The first was a request for approval of a contract with Woodford County for lease of space in the McLean County Juvenile Detention Center. The proposed contract guarantees Woodford County 365 detention days at the rate of \$80.00 per day. If Woodford County exceeds 365 days in 2005, each additional day will be billed at \$90.00 per day.

Motion by Owens/Harding to Recommend Approval of Contract with Woodford County for Lease of Space in the McLean County Juvenile Detention Center.
Motion carried.

Ms. Castleman presented the second action item, namely a request for approval of a contract with Logan County for lease of space in the McLean County Juvenile Detention Center. The proposed contract guarantees Logan County 120 detention days at the rate of \$80.00 per day. If Logan County exceeds 120 days in 2005, each additional day will be billed at \$90.00 per day. She noted a correction on the cover memorandum from 365 days to 120 days.

Motion by Rackauskas/Owens to Recommend Approval of Contract with Logan County for Lease of Space in the McLean County Juvenile Detention Center.
Motion carried.

Ms. Castleman presented a request for approval of a contract with OSF Healthcare Systems for physician services at the McLean County Juvenile Detention Center. She reported that this is the second year of a three-year contract with OSF Healthcare, with a 5% increase this year. There will be one more year on the contract.

Mr. Owens asked if the 5% increase is a standard increase. Ms. Castleman replied that the increase is negotiated at the end of each contract year.

Motion by Owens/Harding to Recommend Approval of Contract with OSF Healthcare Systems for Physician Services with McLean County Juvenile Detention Center.

Motion carried.

Mr. Dave Goldberg, Director, Juvenile Detention Center presented the final action item, which was a request for approval to apply for "Reallocated Available Funds" from the Illinois Criminal Justice Authority from the federal fiscal year 2001 authorization under the Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grant. He reported that this is lapse money from 2001. Mr. Goldberg explained that he received the entire grant application and description of the programs after the agenda was completed. He noted that McLean County was allocated \$5,641.00 with a match of \$627.00. The grant must be used to enhance an existing program or to start a new program. Mr. Goldberg reported that the Juvenile Detention Center would like to enhance an existing Art Therapy Program by purchasing computers, software and art supplies, thereby moving the Art Program into the computer age. He noted that money has been identified in the 2005 budget to make the match. Mr. Goldberg advised that the application must be submitted to the Illinois Criminal Justice Authority by January 17, so this item must be approved at this meeting.

Mr. Zeunik explained that this will appear on the Board Agenda as a Consent Agenda item. He noted that because it is Intergovernmental, it will also appear on the Executive Committee Agenda for formal approval. Approval by the Justice Committee and Executive Committee constitutes a majority of the Board members.

Motion by Harding/Owens to Recommend Approval to apply for "Reallocated Available Funds" from the Illinois Criminal Justice Authority from the FFY01 budget authorization under the Juvenile Accountability Incentive block Grant.

Motion carried.

Ms. Harding asked if there is an Art Therapist on staff. Mr. Goldberg replied that there is a Master's level Art Therapist who is a Probation Officer.

Chairman Renner asked if there were any further questions. Hearing none, he thanked Ms. Castleman and Mr. Goldberg.

Ms. Billie Larkin, Director, Children's Advocacy Center presented the Monthly Statistical and CASA reports. She reported that the Advocacy Center saw 262 children in 2004 compared to 188 in 2003, almost a 50% increase.

Chairman Renner asked if, due to public pressure and media attention on the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services (the "DCFS"), there was a significant change in DCFS which produced a dip in statistics. Ms. Larkin replied that a year ago she met with DCFS to share her concern regarding the decrease in numbers, which indicated that abuse was not being reported. Since that time, the numbers have significantly increased. She reported that children are moving through the system much faster and events are in place to benefit the children.

Chairman Renner asked if there were any further questions. Hearing none, he thanked Ms. Larkin.

Sheriff Dave Owens presented three items for action. The first was a request for approval of the clothing and police leather bid for police uniforms and equipment purchases from February 1, 2005 to January 31, 2006. He noted that this is a yearly contract and only one vendor bid on the contract, Ray O'Herron Co., Inc. in Danville, Illinois. Sheriff Owens explained that they have used the company in the past and have been very satisfied.

Ms. Rackauskas asked why there was just one bid. Sheriff Owens replied that not many companies specialize in police supplies and O'Herron is a regional supplier with good products.

Mr. Owens asked if there had been other bidders in the past and if there is a State bid contract. Sheriff Owens replied that there have been other bidders in the past and other companies have been utilized. Sheriff Owens replied that State bids do not always reflect the best price. Mr. Owens asked if there has been an increase in prices. Sheriff Owens indicated that there are no significant price increases.

Motion by Rackauskas/Harding to Recommend Approval to Award the 2004 Clothing and Police Leather Bid for Police Uniforms and Equipment Purchases from February 1, 2005 to January 31, 2006 to Ray O'Herron Co., Inc., Danville, Illinois.

Motion carried.

Sheriff Owens presented a request for approval to purchase Tasers with funds from a Federal Law Enforcement Block Grant. He reported that the Block Grant was requested specifically to purchase that equipment. Sheriff Owens indicated

that there is a 10% match of approximately \$500 for the purchase of 3 tasers at \$1,500 each. He advised that eventually he would like to equip a working shift with tasers for a total of 16-17 tasers.

Chairman Renner asked about the safety of the tasers. Sheriff Owens replied that he believes they are relatively safe and problems often arise by how they are used and not due to the tasers themselves. He noted that he had staff volunteer to be hit by a taser.

Motion by Owens/Rackauskas to Recommend
Approval to Purchase Tasers with funds from a Federal
Law Enforcement Block Grant.
Motion carried.

Sheriff Owens presented a final action item, namely a request for approval to purchase and install a UHF Radio Repeater. He reported that this request is a transfer of funds request within the Sheriff's Department FY'2004 budget to cover the cost of the purchase and installation of a UHF Radio Repeater to replace an old repeater which is on Watterson Towers at Illinois State University. The new repeater will allow other County departments, i.e. E.S.D.A., COMLARA Park and the Health Department, a UHF frequency to use as well as the Sheriff's Department. The purchase and installation is a little over \$10,000.00. Sheriff Owens indicated that the new repeater would be placed on the roof of Watterson Towers and the UHF mobile will be installed in the Shift Commander's office. He indicated that this goes along with the grant he received to purchase 19 mobile radios and six portables on UHF to monitor and listen to Bloomington, Normal and ISU police departments.

Chairman Renner asked what is the time table for StarCom. Mr. Lindberg answered the question, noting that StarCom 21 made commitments in May 2003 to have a fully operational system in McLean County, at least for test purposes, by August of 2003. As of today, that is not available due to issues between Motorola and the State of Illinois on the overall system, which has prevented McLean County from making the purchase. Mr. Lindberg indicated that there have been negotiations the last several weeks for an interim system to be put in place in McLean County only, using equipment that is compatible with StarCom.

Ms. Rackauskas asked what is the difference between MetCom and StarCom. Sheriff Owens replied that StarCom is a Statewide emergency communications radio system and MetCom is the centralized communications center. Mr. Lindberg explained that MetCom is the department that receives the 911 call and then

dispatches the appropriate emergency response unit. Currently, the County is using the E. F. Johnson 800 MHz system and two UHF 400 systems, which are distinct systems to the City of Bloomington and the Town of Normal. He noted that, at one time, everyone was on the E. F. Johnson 800 MHz system, which proved to be unreliable. The County's goal is to get StarCom 21 running in order to get fully inter-operational across the State and make this system available for all departments that are covered by MetCom. Mr. Lindberg further explained that MetCom's role is to dispatch, manage and monitor the calls as they are received.

Ms. Rackauskas asked if there will be an affect on StarCom 21 by Bloomington's dropping out of the MetCom program. Mr. Lindberg replied that it will not affect StarCom 21 as the radio allocations are for Normal, McLean County and other rural first responder agencies, both police and fire. The system is sized to handle the City of Bloomington Police and Fire if they decide to return to the program.

Motion by Harding/Rackauskas to Recommend Approval for the Purchase and Installation of UHF Radio Repeater to be installed on the roof of Watterson Towers.

Motion carried.

Chairman Renner asked if there were any further questions. Hearing none, he thanked Sheriff Owens.

Mr. Bill Yoder, State's Attorney, announced that the action item listed on the Agenda should be removed. Mr. Yoder distributed the State's Attorney Monthly Caseload report, noting that the report included year-end numbers for 2004.

Ms. Rackauskas observed that the juvenile abuse totals have almost doubled. Chairman Renner noted that this is consistent with Ms. Larkin's report for the Children's Advocacy Center. Mr. Yoder reported that juvenile delinquency also increased dramatically.

Ms. Rackauskas suggested that these statistics should be watched and studied for future discussion.

Chairman Renner asked if there were any further questions. Hearing none, he thanked Mr. Yoder.

Ms. Joan Naour, Director, Correctional Health Services, presented a request for approval to renew a contract with OSF HealthCare System and Kenneth Inoue, M.D. for the provision of medical services for the McLean County Adult Detention

Facility. She noted that this is a renewal on a yearly contract, which has been in effect with Dr. Inoue since 2000 and with OSF HealthCare since 1995. Ms. Naour reported a 5% increase in the fee.

Motion by Rackauskas/Owens to Recommend Approval for Renewal of a Contract with OSF HealthCare System and Kenneth Inoue, M.D. for the Provision of Medical Services for the McLean County Adult Detention Facility.
Motion carried.

Chairman Renner asked if there were any comments, observations or questions. Hearing none, he thanked Ms. Naour.

Chairman Renner presented the 911 Administration report as submitted by Mr. Bill Gamblin. Chairman Renner asked if anyone had any comments, observations or questions on the report. There were none.

Mr. Curtis Hawk, Director, E.S.D.A. presented two items for action. The first was a request for approval of the semi-annual 2005 Emergency Operations Plan. He passed around two copies of the 600 page Plan, noting that the major changes in the Plan are in the areas of Agriculture, Foreign Animal Disease and Terrorism. Mr. Hawk reported that the Terrorism section added 146 pages to the Plan.

Mr. Owens asked what are the requirements on the Plan. Mr. Hawk explained that the Plan is required by the Federal and State governments, which supply the guidelines for the Plan. He further explained that the Sheriff, Coroner, Health Department, Highway Department and other departments add their input and approval of the Plan in accordance with Federal Government requirements.

Ms. Harding asked where the Plan goes after it is approved by the County Board. Mr. Hawk replied that the Plan goes to the Regional Director in Champaign and then to Springfield for final approval. The Plan will be returned with corrections and/or suggested changes.

Motion by Rackauskas/Harding to Recommend Approval of the 2005 Emergency Operations Plan.
Motion carried.

Mr. Owens asked that Mr. Hawk present a report to the Committee when the plan has been approved in Springfield. Mr. Hawk replied that he will give the Committee an update.

Mr. Hawk presented a request for approval of annual submission of the Illinois Plan for Radiological Accidents (IPRA)—Clinton Nuclear Plant. Mr. Hawk explained that this Plan does not change and is set by the Federal Government. The only additions and changes made on the plan are names and phone numbers.

Motion by Rackauskas/Owens to Recommend
Approval of Annual Submission of the Illinois Plan for
Radiological Accidents (IPRA)—Clinton Power Plant.
Motion carried.

Mr. Zeunik commented that McLean County's Emergency Operations Plan is often cited as an example for other counties to emulate. He noted that the sections involving hazardous materials, bio-terrorism and other terrorism activities are often cited at workshops given by the Illinois Emergency Management Agency as models for other counties to follow. The members of the Justice Committee thanked Mr. Hawk.

Chairman Renner presented the Jury Commission Yearly Report as submitted by Ms. Cindy Brand, Jury Coordinator. Chairman Renner asked if anyone had any comments, observations or questions on the report. There were none.

Chairman Renner presented the November 2004 Monthly Statistical Report as submitted by Ms. Sandy Parker, Circuit Clerk. Chairman Renner asked if anyone had any comments, observations or questions on the report. There were none.

Chairman Renner distributed information from the League of Women Voters Jail Review Committee. Ms. Rackauskas explained that the information was submitted to the Committee so that members can attend the Jail Review Committee meetings.

Chairman Renner introduced Mr. John Hennesey and Mr. Dave Young from Behavioral Interventions (BI) and invited them to give a presentation on electronic monitoring.

Mr. Hennesey gave an overview of BI, noting that it is the leading provider of Electronic Monitoring and Re-entry Services in the United States. The following are highlights of their presentation:

- There are currently 21,000 people (hereinafter referred to as "clients") hooked up on BI electronic monitoring equipment.
- BI has a contract with the Illinois Department of Corrections with 3,000 units active as of today.

- BI is the largest and leading provider of electronic monitoring.
- BI has been awarded a Federal contract for Homeland Security for electronic monitoring.
- BI has opened eight locations throughout the US for Homeland Security.
- BI is listed on the Federal District Probation and Pre-Trial contract.
- BI's headquarters is based in Boulder, Colorado and BI has been in business for over 20 years and started electronic monitoring in the U.S.

The following are details regarding the cost of electronic monitoring as proposed by BI:

- The basic fee is \$3.00-\$4.00 per day, including rental of equipment, training and monitoring.
- The \$3.00 per day fee is the standard base price, which uses a web-based program. When someone is on electronic monitoring, information on the person needs to be entered into a data base, including name, social security number, serial numbers on equipment, etc. The entire process takes only a few minutes.
- The full-service rate is \$4.00 per day. BI will input the client's data entry information and make phone calls when an alert sounds, leaving only the initial hook-up to the County staff member.
- The electronic monitoring program can be customized for each county. If renting the equipment, BI only charges for the units that are being used. As the program grows, BI charges only for the additional units used.
- If the County has ten units active, then BI recommends a 20% spare ratio.
- In general, the units can be shipped and received within 72 hours of the County requesting additional units.

The electronic monitoring equipment includes:

- Ankle bracelet (dual tamper for two possible alerts).
- Transmitter unit that connects to the telephone line at the client's home.

BI also offers the following equipment:

- Sobriotor, or breathalyzer, which measures alcohol abuse at a cost of \$4.50 per day.
- The GPS product is available for \$5.50 per day. The GPS unit monitors where the client is at all times.
- The voice ID program is available for \$1.98 per day.
- The cellular phone unit is available for an additional \$3.50-4.00 per day. This equipment is used for clients who do not have telephones.

Chairman Renner asked what type of on-site staff is needed. Mr. Hennessey replied that no additional staff is needed and it can be handled through the Sheriff's Department, Probation or through Pre-trial. Mr. Hennessey noted that Sheriff's Departments have someone available 24 hours.

The electronic monitoring equipment will send an alarm when one of the following occurs:

- If a client tampers with the equipment;
- If a client leaves their home when they are not supposed to be out;
- If a client does not return home when they should;
- Power outages.

Mr. Hennessey noted that the alerts go to BI's monitoring center in Anderson, Indiana. They will call the County and notify them of an alert. They can page, text message, e-mail or fax the County. The phone call increases the fee to \$4.00 per day.

DeKalb County, Illinois has a deputy who is in charge of the program and is on duty 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. After 5:00 p.m. and on weekends, the alert goes to the Sheriff's dispatch center. Chairman Renner asked if this person is a full-time person hired to handle electronic monitoring. Mr. Young replied that DeKalb runs from 20-40 units, which is approximately one-third of the deputy's duties. Mr. Hennessey explained that, as the program grows, it may be necessary to have a staff person in charge.

Mr. Young indicated that training on the program takes approximately one hour.

Chairman Renner advised Mr. Hennessey that McLean County does not have a budget compatible with hiring additional staff. He asked Mr. Hennessey if it was feasible to have an electronic monitoring program without adding staff. Mr. Hennessey replied that if McLean County started a small program with ten

units, it would cost the County \$4.00 per day and no additional staff would need to be hired. Mr. Young responded that only one person would be needed to monitor a program of ten clients and this responsibility would be one-tenth of their duties.

Mr. Owens asked if they need verification when an alert has been received. Mr. Hennessey responded that the County would need to let them know. He noted that some alerts are not immediately responded to by the County, but rather they are addressed the next day.

Ms. Harding asked how they make money when they only charge \$4.00 per day. Mr. Hennessey replied that they have 21,000 units nationwide, they sell the equipment world-wide and they have a \$14 million contract with the Federal Government. He also indicated that the equipment has gotten better and the price has gone down.

Chairman Renner indicated that the County's concern is not as much with the cost of equipment rental but with the staff needed to manage the program.

Ms. Rackauskas asked if the alternative to electronic monitoring is that the client will be kept in jail. Chairman Renner replied that if the individual has been sentenced, then the individual would remain in jail.

Mr. Zeunik explained that there are two programs. One program is for people who have already been adjudicated and sentenced and one for people who are awaiting trial. All of the people get booked into the jail. If they have been adjudicated, they have already gone through the court system and the court has sentenced them to serve time in jail or given them conditional discharge, probation, etc.

Mr. Hennessey noted that some counties use electronic monitoring for low-risk individuals that are medical risks in the jail. If they are on electronic monitoring, they go home and are responsible for their own medical costs.

Mr. Owens asked if an Intergovernmental Agreement would need to be provided with the City of Bloomington and the Town of Normal for McLean County officers to respond to an alert. Sheriff Owens expressed concern if the program required an officer to check in on the client. He noted additional concern about responding to the follow up on the alerts. Mr. Hennessey replied that a simple phone call to the client is often effective and a follow up may not be necessary.

Mr. Yoder suggested that the Public Defender and Sheriff's offices would be most affected in terms of staff time and costs. He noted that the State's Attorneys Office is currently making decisions on who deserves to be in jail and who does not deserve to be in jail. They are trying to keep the non-violent offenders out of jail using other means, such as probation. Mr. Yoder indicated that the electronic monitoring would be most effective for his office to use on people who are getting stayed terms, but who need to be monitored. He said that electronic monitoring was considered recently on a client who was ill in the jail. They made arrangements with Woodford County to use one of their units. Mr. Hennessey expressed concern about using a Woodford County unit, as the alert would go to Woodford County, not McLean County.

Reverend Tom O'Shea, Alternative to Jail Committee member, asked Mr. Hennessey to address the interface of the GPS with the radio frequency. Mr. Hennessey replied that the BI GPS system switches from GPS to electronic monitoring when the client returns home. This avoids unnecessary alerts with the GPS during the night. He further explained that the BI GPS is a passive unit as opposed to active GPS. Active GPS is almost real time, which means it monitors immediate movements and a passive unit supplies a print-out of the previous day's movements. An active GPS has more liability due to response time.

Chairman Renner noted that the hour is late. He advised the Committee that Mr. Owens has to leave for a 7:00 p.m. meeting. Chairman Renner thanked the representatives from BI for their informative presentation.

Chairman Renner presented the December 31, 2004 Justice Committee bills for review and approval as transmitted by the County Auditor. The Justice Committee bills include a prepaid total of \$1,685,215.29 and a Fund Total that is the same.

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Motion by Owens/Rackauskas to recommend approval
of the Justice Committee bills as of December 31,
2004.
Motion carried.

Chairman Renner encouraged the Committee and the representatives of the Justice Community to continue their discussion on the electronic monitoring issue.

Ms. Rackauskas asked for reactions from the Justice Community. Ms. Castleman commented that Mr. Hennessey is a good salesman.

Ms. Harding commented that the price seemed extremely reasonable. Chairman Renner suggested that a fee of \$5.00 be charged to the client for use of the equipment.

Sheriff Owens indicated that the cost of the equipment rental is not an issue for the Sheriff's Department, but the issue is the cost of personnel.

Ms. Harding asked Sheriff Owens to comment on the reaction of other County Sheriff's that are using this system. Sheriff Owens indicated that he was unaware that many counties were using the electronic monitoring units. He said that Tazewell County has had some success with the system.

Ms. Rackauskas requested that the potential cases where electronic monitoring might be considered be studied for the next six months. Mr. Scanlon replied that he felt it would be an inaccurate measurement.

Mr. Yoder reported that he has an intern coming in to do an historical study of the jail population. He noted that Sheriff Owens' statistics are very informational and highlights the fact that the vast majority of people in the County Jail are felony offenders, including the pre-trial detainees. There are very few inmates who committed misdemeanors. Mr. Yoder indicated that he felt there are very limited uses for electronic monitoring. One instance would be on the extremely violent, dangerous felony offender who is able to bond out of jail. In addition to a very high bond, the electronic monitoring would be another condition to that person's release. Another use would be for the individual who is a high risk for medical treatment in the jail.

Ms. Rackauskas suggested that the Committee must decide if there is a need for electronic monitoring.

Mr. Yoder indicated that the State's Attorneys Office is making an effort to keep the jail population down, thereby reducing the cost for housing inmates out of County. He noted that 2004 was the first year since Sheriff Owens has been the Sheriff that the out of County expenses were half of what was budgeted. Mr. Yoder informed the Committee that there are some good uses for electronic monitoring. He said that a decision needs to be made on what the County wants

and what it can afford, what is a luxury and what is not. Mr. Yoder said it would be beneficial to have one or two units on the shelf for those times when they would be necessary. He also noted that Woodford County is agreeable to renting McLean County one of their units for \$6.00 per day.

Chairman Renner indicated that electronic monitoring can be used for many different things, including people awaiting trial, people sentenced, or a dangerous felon who is able to meet a high bond. He suggested that electronic monitoring will become more prevalent in the future.

Sheriff Owens commented that the best alternative program to jail that exists and has the biggest impact on the jail population is probation. He indicated that he feels it is important to find funding for one or two probation officers. Sheriff Owens agreed that electronic monitoring could be used as another tool in the arsenal to control the jail population. He also agreed that the two uses mentioned, namely the violent offender and the medical risk, are viable uses of the electronic monitoring system. Sheriff Owens suggested that the County take small steps getting into the electronic monitoring program to find out what the financial impact would be on staff.

Ms. Rackauskas observed that the Justice Community, as represented, did not appear to be enthusiastic about electronic monitoring. Ms. Castleman replied that BI is an excellent company with a national reputation and the rental amount was reasonable. She indicated that she feels pre-trial electronic monitoring could be an enhancement to what already exists. However, she expressed concern about the staffing issues to her department. Chairman Renner asked what staff responsibilities would be needed if someone were hooked up with the ankle bracelet and followed all the rules. Ms. Castleman replied that it would depend on the type of offender. She indicated that some offenders would need follow-up visits, particularly alcohol and drug offenders.

Ms. Rackauskas referred to a group called "Devine Intervention" which she learned about at a Jail Review Committee meeting. The group has put together an electronic monitoring system, which is multi-faceted and integrates social work with the monitoring, including anger management, stress management and child abuse seminars.

Ms. Rackauskas expressed some concern that none of the reports received from BI indicated the manpower it would take to operate the system.

The group discussed the different aspects of building a program based on the individual and what is considered a violation of their electronic monitoring.

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Mr. Yoder indicated that the people who are going home now are the same people who would be going home with the electronic monitor.

Reverend O'Shea reported that Coles County has 20 units in operation and, in a year, they had fewer than ten violations.

Sheriff Owens commented that the County is receiving \$20 a day from work release and weekenders, which helps supplement the annual costs of operating the jail. He suggested that offenders would easily pay \$20 a day to be on the electronic monitoring program.

Chairman Renner thanked the group for staying and for their discussion.

With no further business to come before the Committee at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith A. LaCasse
Recording Secretary