

## Minutes of the Justice Committee

The Justice Committee of the McLean County Board met on Tuesday, December 1, 2020 at 4:30 p.m. in Room 404 of the Government Center, 115 E. Washington Street, Bloomington, Illinois.

Members Present: Chairman George Gordon, Members George Wendt, Randall Martin, Susan Schafer, Lyndsay Bloomfield and Jim Soeldner (All by remote attendance)

Members Absent: None

Other County Board Members Present: None

Staff Present: Ms. Camille Rodriguez, County Administrator, Ms. Cassy Taylor, Assistant County Administrator, Samantha Vazquez Assistant State's Attorney – Civil Division (in person attendance); Ms. Cathy Dreyer, Assistant County Administrator; Ms. Julie Morlock, Recording Secretary; Chris Spanos, First Assistant State's Attorney – Civil Division; (via remote attendance)

Department Heads/

Elected Officials Present: Mr. Will Scanlon, Circuit Court (In – Person); Mr. Don Everhart, Circuit Clerk; Mr. Jon Sandage, Sheriff, Ms. Carla Barnes, Public Defender, Mr. Michael Donovan, Court Services; Ms. Molly Evans, Children's Advocacy Center; Mr. Brad Rigdon, McLean County State's Attorney (all via remote attendance).

Others Present: None

Chairman Gordon called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. and declared a quorum.

Chairman Gordon confirmed with Ms. Rodriguez that there were no requests to appear from members of the public.

Mr. Don Everhart, Circuit Clerk presented his monthly reports. Chairman Gordon asked if there were any questions; hearing none, he thanked him.

Ms. Carla Barnes, Public Defender presented for action a request to approve contracts between John J. Bussan, William Mahrt, Kelly R. Harms, Jennifer, Patton, Michael Doubet, and Stephanie Wisner, Special Public Defenders and the Public Defender's Office. Ms. Barnes stated she appreciated the board approving these contracts in the past so her in-office staff can give proper attention to the more in-depth cases, and above all so their office with the assistance of contract attorneys can make sure everyone has representation.

Motion by Wendt/Schafer to recommend approval of contracts between John J. Bussan, William Mahrt, Kelly R. Harms, Jennifer, Patton, Michael Doubet, Stephanie Wisner, Special Public Defenders and the Public Defender's Office.

Motion Carried. Roll Call Vote – all members present voted yes including the Chairman.

Ms. Barnes presented her monthly report. Chairman Gordon asked if there were any questions; hearing none, he thanked her.

Ms. Molly Evans, Children's Advocacy Center presented her monthly reports to the Committee. Ms. Schafer stated she appreciated media coverage of the CAC. Ms. Evans agreed and thanked her. Chairman Gordon asked if there were any questions, hearing none, he thanked her.

Chairman Gordon indicated the State's Attorney Office had asked to pull the next two action items from the agenda for further review and then bring to a stand-up meeting prior to the December board. Ms. Vasquez indicated there were a couple of items required by County code and while they were not major and did not anticipate any problems, they wanted to make sure other parties were aware of these changes before the Committee voted on them. Mr. Sandage stated he was ok with these being moved to Stand-up.

Mr. Sandage presented his monthly report. He indicated the Department of Correction is again not taking inmates from them. Chairman Gordon asked if there were any questions, hearing none, he thanked Mr. Sandage.

Chairman Gordon indicated Ms. Kathy Yoder; McLean County Coroner was not present but her monthly report was in the packet. Chairman Gordon asked if the Committee had any questions for her, hearing none, he moved to the next item on the agenda.

Mr. Brad Rigdon appeared on behalf of Don Knapp, McLean County State's Attorney and presented the monthly reports. Chairman Gordon asked if there were any questions, hearing none, he thanked him.

Mr. Michael Donovan, Director of Court Services presented for action a request to approve an Agreement with Center for Youth and Family Solutions (CYFS) for evidence-based treatment and coordination of services to juvenile offender (RNR).

Motion by Soeldner/Bloomfield to recommend approval of an Agreement with Center for Youth and Family Solutions (CYFS) for evidence-based treatment and coordination of services to juvenile offender (RNR).

Motion Carried. Roll call vote – all members present voted yes including the chairman.

Mr. Donovan presented for action a request to approve an Agreement with Kevin Crutcher to provide evidence-based assessment and counseling services to juveniles.

Motion by Martin/Cline to recommend approval of an Agreement with Kevin Crutcher to provide evidence-based assessment and counseling services to juveniles.

Motion Carried. Roll call vote – all members present voted yes including the chairman.

Mr. Donovan presented his monthly reports. Chairman Gordon asked if there were any questions, hearing none, he thanked him.

Mr. Will Scanlon, Circuit Court presented for action a request to approve an Amendment to the Children's Waiting Room Agreement between the Eleventh Judicial Circuit Court, McLean County and the Children's Home & Aid. Mr. Scanlon stated this service is offered at the Law and Justice Center and provides childcare services while parents are in a court proceeding that involves both parents. He stated that this program operates 5 days a week.

Motion by Cline/Soeldner to recommend approval of an Amendment to the Children's Waiting Room Agreement between the Eleventh Judicial Circuit Court, McLean County and the Children's Home & Aid.

Motion Carried. Roll Call Vote – all Members present voted yes including the Chairman.

Mr. Scanlon presented for action a request to approve an Amendment to the Neutral Site Custody Exchange and Supervised Visitation Center Agreement between the Eleventh Judicial Circuit Court and the Children's Home & Aid. He stated that this program is operated offsite seven days a week and is only closed on Christmas. He stated that this program provides a safe place for exchange of children between custodial parents and also is utilized as a location for supervised visitation.

Motion by Cline/Martin to recommend approval of an Amendment to the Neutral Site Custody Exchange and Supervised Visitation Center Agreement between the Eleventh Judicial Circuit Court and the Children's Home & Aid.

Motion Carried. Roll Call Vote – all Members present voted yes including the Chairman.

Mr. Scanlon presented for action a request to approve an amendment to the Contract with ISU Stevenson Center for Data/Research Services – Criminal Justice Coordinating Council. Mr. Scanlon indicate this is extension of a long-standing contract for data analysis. He stated that they analysis for many departments including the Sheriff, States Attorney and Circuit Clerk on information such as demographics, length of stay and crisis intervention. He stated that they are also doing research on adult probation and transition from juvenile for the emerging adult probation program.

Motion by Schafer/Bloomfield to recommend approval of an amendment to the Contract with ISU Stevenson Center for Data/Research Services – Criminal Justice Coordinating Council

Motion Carried. Roll Call Vote – all Members present voted yes including the Chairman.

Mr. Scanlon, on behalf of himself, Judge Fellheimer and other Judges wished Mr. Gordon well and thanked him for his service.

Ms. Rodriguez, County Administrator presented her report on recent positions filled. Chairman Gordon asked if there were any questions, hearing none, he thanked her.

Chairman Gordon presented the minutes of the November 3, 2020 regular meeting for approval.

Motion by Martin/Schafer to approve the minutes from the November 3, 2020 regular meeting.  
 Motion Carried. Roll call vote – all members present voted yes including the Chairman.

Chairman Gordon asked if there was other business or communication to come before the Committee. Ms. Schafer thanked Mr. Gordon for all of his work on the Justice Committee and wished him well. Mr. Gordon thanked all of their Committee members for their work and cooperation and stated it had been a pleasure working with them.

Chairman Gordon asked if there was anything further, he moved to payment of the bills and transfers.

Chairman Gordon presented Transfer requests from the Circuit Clerk’s Department in the amounts of \$52,886.02 and \$5,000.

Motion by Schafer/Cline to recommend approval of the Transfer requests from the Circuit Clerk’s Department in the amounts of \$52,886.02 and \$5,000  
 Motion Carried. Roll Call Vote – all members present voted yes including the Chairman.

Chairman Gordon presented bills for review and approval as transmitted by the County Auditor with a Prepaid and Fund Total of \$464,977.32.

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**EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY FUND**

**Justice Committee**

FUND	FUND TITLE	PENDING TOTAL	PREPAID TOTAL	FUND TOTAL
0001	GENERAL FUND		\$235,327.98	\$235,327.98
0129	CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CNTR		\$11,118.66	\$11,118.66
0138	CIRCUIT CLK/OPER & ADMIN		\$1,403.51	\$1,403.51
0140	CIRCUIT CLERK AUTOMATION		\$5,354.98	\$5,354.98
0142	COURT DOCUMENT STORAGE		\$28,932.90	\$28,932.90
0143	CHILD SUPPORT COLLECTION		\$274.51	\$274.51
0146	ADULT PROBATION SERVICES		\$1,978.67	\$1,978.67
0152	ASSET FORFEITURE-SAO		\$10,270.14	\$10,270.14
0155	ASSET FORFEITURE-SHERIFF		\$108.00	\$108.00
0156	IDPA IV-D PROJECT		\$19,146.96	\$19,146.96
0170	NEUTRAL SITE CUSTODY EXCH		\$2,833.33	\$2,833.33
0450	ETSB SURCHARGE FUND/E-011		\$99,380.08	\$99,380.08
0452	METRO COMMUNICATIONS CTR		\$45,845.57	\$45,845.57
0506	LAW LIBRARY		\$3,002.00	\$3,002.00
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COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

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Motion by Soeldner/Martin to approve the Justice Committee bills as transmitted by the County Auditor with a prepaid and fund total of \$464,977.32.  
Motion Carried. Roll call vote – all present voted yes including the Chairman.

Chairman Gordon asked if there was any other business or communication for the Justice Committee; hearing none, he adjourned at 5:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Julie A. Morlock*

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Recording Secretary