

Eighth Judicial District Criminal Justice Coordinating Council

Colfax and Union Counties

January 14, 2021

4:00 PM

Via Google Meets

1. Call to Order by Judge Kennelly at 4:03 P.M.; Anita Manning was unavailable and Lyann Sisneros, TCAA for Judge Kennelly will be taking the minutes for this meeting.
2. Approval of agenda
3. Approval of minutes from 11/19/2020 CJCC meeting
4. Behavioral Health Subcommittee update
 - a. Judge Walton, Chair Subcommittee stated the committee met on December 22, 2020. The Subcommittee discussed the following:
 - i. Identified agencies that perform services;
 - ii. Set goals; putting together a resource directory;
 - iii. Looking into the possibility of grants;
 - iv. Discussed identifying access for individuals to assist with getting a bed and generate an open bed report;
 - v. Setting monthly meeting every 4th Tuesday of the month, with the next meeting on January 26, 2020 at 8:30 A.M.
 - b. Judge Kennelly invited all in attendance to be a part of this subcommittee as they will be hearing presentations from local providers to get an understanding of all the resources available in the communities for both Colfax and Union county;
 - i. Valerie Alderette with Youth Heartline and Marco Coca with Adult Probation and Parole indicated that they would like to participate and will be added to the Subcommittee.
5. Introduction of new Colfax County Detention Center Warden
 - a. Mary Lou Kern, Colfax County Manager, spoke on behalf of Monty Gore, the new Colfax County Detention Center Warden, who was unable to attend this meeting. She highlighted some of his qualifications:
 - i. Mr. Gore is from Breckenridge, Colorado

- ii. Retired Under Sheriff
- iii. Has worked in State Corrections
- iv. Has a Bachelor's of Science in Criminal Justice
- v. Has 36-37 years in law enforcement
- vi. Certified SWAT
- vii. Community Minded

- b. Mary Lou Kern stated that the significance of the accreditation for insurance purposes can increase insurance rating from \$2 million to \$5 million for the Vigil Maldonado Detention Center.

6. Public/Open Comment

- a. Judge Kennelly indicated that jury trials will resume on February 1, 2021 under the same precautions that were previously put in place unless the Governor indicates otherwise.
 - i. Attorney Sarah Montoya indicated her concern regarding COVID, getting the vaccination and how it relates to jury trials;
 - ii. Mary Lou Kern indicated that Miner's Colfax Medical Center will be holding a clinic for individuals registered with the NM Health Department and fall into the category of 1B to receive their vaccine. She stated they currently have enough vaccines for approximately 250 individuals.
- b. Heidi Wahl with Noesis indicated her concern with the increase in severity with mental health and addiction due to COVID. She is working on intervening when a defendant is released in regards to educating them on services they may need.
 - i. Michelle Rael with Golden Willow stated they are expanding to offer more services in the community like regular therapy and grief loss.
 - ii. Mary Lou Kern, Colfax County Manager, encouraged Heidi Wahl to reach out to Monty Gore, the new warden regarding these issues.
- c. Judge Walton asked if there has been any security breach issues.
 - i. Sheriff Leonard Baca indicated that there has been no credible threat locally.
 - ii. Judge Kennelly indicated that all should be vigilant, pay attention to their surrounds, call 911 or law enforcement for anything suspicious; talked about the "lone wolf," individuals acting alone and not in groups.

7. Schedule next meeting date/time.
 - a. Judge Kennelly stated Thursday at 4:00 P.M. works best for everyone and that Anita Manning will schedule the date of the next meeting upon her return.
8. Adjourned at 4:42 P.M.