

**JUSTICE COMMITTEE MEETING  
Macon County Office Building  
Macon County Board Room #514  
141 S. Main Street, Decatur, IL 62523**

**September 23, 2021 @ 3:00 P.M.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Greg Mattingley – Chair  
Debra Kraft – Vice Chair  
Bill Oliver @ 3:05  
Jim Gresham  
Lloyd Holman

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Dave Drobisch  
Verzell Taylor

**COUNTY PERSONNEL PRESENT**

Jessie Smalley, HR  
Mike Baggett, State's Attorney's Office  
Scott Rueter, State's Attorney  
Jim Taylor, Probation  
Michelle Sanders, Public Defender  
Sheriff Root  
Kris Thompson, Sheriff's Office  
Jeannie Durham, County Board Office

The meeting was called to order by Chair Mattingley @ 3:00 p.m. at the Macon County Office Building.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING**

Ms. Kraft made a motion to approve the minutes from the last Macon County Board Justice Committee meeting (8/26/2021), seconded by Mr. Gresham and the motion carried 4-0.

**CLAIMS**

Mr. Gresham made a motion to approve the claims as presented, seconded by Ms. Kraft and the motion carried 4-0.

**REPORTS**

*Coroner – No report*

*Court Services / Probation – No Report*

*Emergency Management Agency – No Report*

*Public Building Commission – No report*

*Public Defender's Office – No Report*

*Circuit Courts – No Report*

*State's Attorney - No Report*

*Sheriff's Department –*

*Macon County Board Resolution Approving Permission to Dispose of Surplus Equipment*

Sheriff Root explained that the Macon County Sheriff's Office has several tazers that are discontinued by their department and are in need of being disposed of. The Mount Zion Police Department is currently still using that brand of tazers and still has the supplies to be able to use them. Sheriff Root said that the Macon County Sheriff's Department would like to donate the tazers they have to the Mount Zion Police Department as part of the disposal process.

Mr. Gresham made a motion to forward the resolution on to the Finance Committee with recommendation to approve, seconded by Ms. Kraft and the motion carried 4-0.

**New Business** - Sheriff Root explained that they are requesting permission to present the new contract for the Health Care services for the inmates in the Macon County jail to the Finance Committee. It did not make the agenda for this Justice Committee meeting. The contract dates are from October 6, 2021 through October 5, 2022. There will be an increase that will be reflected in the budget that is being presented at the Finance Committee Budget Hearing on this coming Monday.

Chair Mattingley asked if the provider would be the same. Sheriff Root confirmed it is the same company and the same services, but there is an increase because of the cost of doing business on the medical side of things.

Ms. Kraft asked if they had been happy with them. Sheriff Root said yes, they are happy with them. The problem is that there is nobody wanting to do correctional healthcare. There is not a lot of bidding. They do provide a good service, but they've been short on staff and it has taken a toll on the cost.

Chair Mattingley said he had no objection with taking it straight to Finance. Committee members agreed.

Mr. Gresham commented that it will be a big increase. Sheriff Root confirmed. Mr. Gresham asked if there weren't more RNs scheduled originally. Chief Deputy Thompson explained that initially, when this contract was signed, they didn't forecast having such a nursing shortage. More RN's and overnight coverage is probably a wish that will probably never be fulfilled, at least with the current climate. There is still a full time designated head RN. She is supported by some part time RN's, but mostly LPN's. Mr. Gresham commented that, in effect, we are getting less for a lot more. Mr. Thompson said yes, pretty much, but he thinks they hit the hours mark. There is not reduced hours, maybe just reduced coverage length because they can't get the staffing for it. Mr. Gresham agreed that that must be a big problem.

***Circuit Clerk –***

***Macon County Board Resolution Increasing IT Services Line in the Circuit Clerk E-Citation Fund for Fiscal Year 2021***

Chair Mattingley, in Ms. Doty's absence, presented the resolution explaining that the resolution is asking to increase the IT service line in the E-Citation Fund. Our pro-rata share in the digi-ticket adds up to the amount they are requesting for the increase.

Mr. Oliver made a motion to forward the resolution on to the Finance Committee with recommendation to approve, seconded by Mr. Gresham.

Mr. Gresham asked if we do this cost sharing with other police departments.

Mr. Baggett said that the Decatur Police Department and the Macon County Sheriff's Department use it. He was not sure about the cost sharing and to what it is set up, but there has been some division of costs, at least at the beginning, but he was unsure if it is ongoing.

Mr. Mattingley said it looks like, by adding Maroa to this, it will result in a change order where we will pick up half and they pick up the other half. The change order is \$12,025. We will bear half of the software, license & service fees.

The motion carried 5-0.

**CITIZEN REMARKS – PUBLIC COMMENT** – None

**Old Business** None

**Closed Session** – None needed

**NEXT MEETING** October 28, 2021

The meeting was adjourned by Chair Mattingley @ 3:10 p.m.

*Minutes submitted by Jeannie Durham, Executive Secretary, Macon County Board Office*