

NORCOR CORRECTIONS FACILITIES

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NORCOR Board Meeting

May 19th, 2022

Preliminary Business: To support the Governor's Executive order for social distancing, the NORCOR Board meeting was held as a hybrid meeting offered on two platforms; by ZOOM and also in person at the NORCOR Juvenile Detention Facility at 211 Webber Street, The Dalles.

Board Members: Bob Benton, NORCOR Board Chair; Kathy Schwartz, NORCOR Vice Chair; Joe Dabulskis - Sherman County Judge; Sherrie Wilkins- Gilliam County Commissioner; Amber De Grange - Sherman County & Sheriff Lane Magill, covering for Sheriff Gary Bettencourt.

Oversight: Brad Lohrey, Administrative Sheriff; Molly Rogers, Youth Services Director.

Legal Counsel: Don Hull

Also in attendance: Don Jameson, Dan Lindhorst, Joyce Orendorff, Dale Whipple, Dylan May, Tom McCoy, Scott Hege, Amy Nation, Rebeccah Beitl, Barb Harris, Tricia Leininger, Connie Krummrich, Red Stevens, Bill Boyden, Tyler Stone, Tricia Leininger.

- 1.0 Call to Order Chair Benton called to order at 10:01 a.m.
 - 1.1 Welcome and introductions
 - 1.2 Additions or Deletions to the agenda
 - 1.3 Consent Agenda: Sherrie Wilkins made a motion to approve the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Kathy Schwartz, all parties in favor. There was no discussion.
 - 1.3.1 Minutes from April 21, 2022
 - 1.3.2 March Financial Reports
 - 1.3.3 IGA with Wasco County for ARPA Funds Molly Rogers shared that all 4 counties have supported the ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act). ARPA counties receive funds; some of the funds will be used for repairs and some capital items at NORCOR. Sherman County has

paid. The request from the counties was \$130,000 total. The plan is to use some of the funding for the facility H-Vac and paving of the parking lot which is failing. This additional

funding has been included in the approved budget.

1.3.4 RFQ for HVAC Upgrades – There is an RFP out for the required H-Vac repair. It is anticipated that the repairs will not occur until next fiscal because the repairs could not be

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completed before July 1st.

2.0 Public Comment – Connie Krummrich with NORCOR Community Resource Coalition shared that they have been having regular meetings. They recently joined the management team meeting. They appreciate all of the NORCOR staff. They are grateful for the opportunity to work with the team. They are really encouraged by the wrap around services coordinated with One Community Health, Mid Columbia Center for Living, and the facility, the return of Volunteers into the facilities. They wanted to commend the management team for moving forward, greatly appreciated.

3.0 Business Items

- 3.1 Management Team Updates
 - 3.1.1 COVID-19 -

Adult Facility – Sheriff Lohrey shared that there has been 1 (one) individual who tested positive for COVID-19. Because of the positive case we are back to wearing masks in the secure areas and continue following all safety guidelines and protocols. Juvenile Facility – Molly Rogers shared that a few days after the mask removal, they had a staff member tested positive for COVID-19. Masks were then again required in the secure area, however they are through the quarantine period and the mask requirement has been removed again. No youth have tested positive. They continue to stay in contact with public health. Both Adult and Juvenile facilities are still offering vaccines.

Sheriff Lohrey shared that Effective June 1st, 2022 Dr. Mimi Mc Donell will be the new NORCOR oversight Physician. Dr. Mc Donell has been a vital resource throughout COVID-19.

3.1.2 CBA – Molly Rogers shared that we have been in negations since the end of the 3 year contract. There have had 4 meetings with the Association and with legal counsel.
Molly Rogers would like the Board's approval for Bob Benton to sign a new CBA in which

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the terms include 6% increases 2022/2023 and subsequent 5 & 5 for the two following fiscal years, as well as a slight change in how an officer in charge is calculated. The association agreed to stop longevity pay and add a longevity increment increase of \$25 at 20 years. They felt it is a way of acknowledging the commitment what our staff means to us. Bob Benton requested that this be drafted for vote at the next meeting.

- 3.1.3 Introduction of New Juvenile Detention Manager Daniel White will begin as the new Juvenile Detention Manager June 1st, 2022.
- 4.0 Administrative Updates
 - 4.1 Updates from Oversight Committees

Amber De Grange shared that they continue to meet and they're very excited about the new Juvenile Detention Manager. They really appreciate that staff has worked so hard during the overlap period between Jeff Justesen and Daniel White starting. They have been working on establishing improved communication with the NORCOR Medical staff.

Sheriff's Board – Nothing to report.

- 4.2 Updates from Board Members no updates.
- 5.0 Adjourn 10:11 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebeccah Beitl, NORCOR

Bob Benton, NORCOR Board Chair

Date