

NORCOR CORRECTIONS FACILITIES

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NORCOR Minutes of the NORCOR Board Meeting September 17th, 2020 10:00 a.m.

To support the Governor's Executive order for social distancing, the NORCOR Board meeting was held by video conference only.

Board Members: Bob Benton, NORCOR Board Chair, Kathy Schwartz, NORCOR Board Vice-Chair, Tom McCoy- Sherman County Commissioner, Sherrie Wilkins- Gilliam.County Commissioner; Amber DeGrange-Sherman County Juvenile Director, Lane Magill – Wasco County Sheriff.

Administrative Staff: Juvenile Director overseeing Detention Facility: Molly Rogers- Wasco County Youth Services Director; Juvenile Detention Manager – Jeff Justesen; Sheriff overseeing Adult Corrections Facility: Brad Lohrey- Sherman County Sheriff; Jail Commander – Dan Lindhorst. Donald Hull, Attorney for NORCOR.

Also in attendance: Joyce Orendorff, Dale Whipple, Bill Boyden, Rebeccah Beitl, Barb Harris, Kayla Nelson, Pam, Solea Kabakov, Shannon, John, Patrick Williams, Eileen, MariRuth Petzing, Nicco Mantone, Hans, Margaret Totten, Greg Wolf, Andy Smith, Krissy B., Shane Bisbing, Tom Peterson, Barb Harris, Jaclyn L'Mar, Poppy Mantone, Connie Krummrich, Ian Haugen,.

- 1.0 Meeting called to order by Bob Benton at 10:02 a.m.
 - 1.1 Welcome & Introductions
 - 1.2 Quorum determined.
 - **1.3** Sheriff Lane Magill made a motion to accept the August 20th, 2020 Board Meeting minutes, this motion was seconded by Tom McCoy.
 - 1.4 Discussion Agenda: No questions or discussion.
- **2.0** Public testimony given by: Rosie Strange, MariRuth Petzing and Hans (unknown last name)

3.0 Business Items:

3.1 Strategic Planning: Greg Wolf, Director of County Solutions at the Association of Oregon Counties gave an explanation of services that he and Andy Smith will be providing. They will be building an Administrative framework/structure to present to the Board.

4.0 Administrative Updates:

4.1 Management Team- Sheriff Lohrey shared that since the US Marshal contract began in February, the Adult Facility has held an average of 26 adults in custody monthly. The new contract increased housing from \$80 a day to \$105 daily. This contract also increased the transport daily rate from \$24 an hour to \$30 per hour with the required minimum of 2 deputies for all transports. These increases also include charging a rate per mile to recover vehicle costs.

NORCOR Adult facility has not held any ICE Detainees since August 13th, 2020. A letter ending the ICE Contract was signed and delivered August 25th, 2020. This was acknowledged by ICE August 27th, 2020. The official termination date for this contract is September 30th, 2020.

Molly Rogers reported that there have been no ICE youth at the Juvenile Facility since August 13th, 2020. The letter to ICE went out August 25th, 2020 and was confirmed by ICE August 27th. The contract will terminate October 24th, 2020.



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Sheriff Lohrey and all the Board members shared their appreciation for Commissioner Tom McCoy for all his dedication to the NORCOR Facilities. A plaque was presented for his years of service.

Dan Lindhorst shared that the air filtration filters are changed frequently. Medical Staff are assessing adults in custody breathing and the effects of the smoke. N95's have been provided to any adult in custody with health conditions. Outdoor recreation has been canceled until the smoke clears.

Molly Rogers shared that the Juvenile Facility is also changing the air filtration frequently. Outdoor recreation has been canceled until the smoke clears. They are assessing reimbursement funds for the filters.

4.1.1 Covid-19:

Adult Facility: Sheriff Lohrey- At the Adult Facility an adult in custody reported a possible exposure to COVID-19. Testing and isolation procedures were immediately initiated. Medical staff will continue to coordinate with the Health Department through the process.

Juvenile Facility: Molly Rogers- There have been no positive or presumptive cases at the Juvenile Detention Facility. They are still working closely with Medical staff, the health Department and the School District.

- **4.1.2 CARES Act:** Discussion- It was agreed by all that the Management team reach out to the four Counties for possible Cares Act funding to help cover some of the COVID-19 expenses that will not be covered by FEMA reimbursement. FEMA funding ended September 15th 2020 PPE costs have increased significantly.
- 4.2 Updates from Board members: No comments.
- **4.3 Juvenile Director's Advisory Committee:** Amber DeGrange- The oversight committee is continuing to meet and monitor the COVID-19 situation. They continue the update process on policies.
- **4.4 Sheriff's Advisory Committee:** Sheriff Magill- The Sheriff's Committee has not met in the last month due to the fires and smoke issues and have been assisting other counties.

The next video Board meeting will be October 15th, 2020 at 10am.

Rebeccah Beitl NORCOR

Meeting adjourned	All UL
Date	Bob Benton, NORCOR Board Chair
Date	Rebeccah Beitl, NORCOR
Respectfully submitted,	