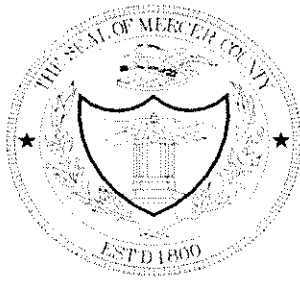


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COUNTY OF MERCER

Prison Board President Thomas Amundsen called to order the December 21st, 2021 Mercer County Prison Board meeting with roll call:

Members Present:

Controller Thomas Amundsen, President
Sheriff Bruce Rosa, Vice President
Judge Robert Yeatts, Secretary
Pete Acker, District Attorney
Matthew McConnell, Commissioner
Scott Boyd, Commissioner

Members Absent:

Timothy McGonigle, Commissioner

Others Present:

Erna Craig, Warden
Mac McDuffie, Deputy Warden
Joe Reichard, Deputy Warden
Jim Baker, Booking Administrator
Amy Landfair, Parole Officer Supervisor
William McClure, IPP Director
John Logan, Fiscal
Sharin Robb, Administrative Assistant
Melissa Klaric, Sharon Herald

Approval of Minutes:

Prison Board President Thomas Amundsen asks for a motion to approve the November 16th meeting minutes. District Attorney Pete Acker makes the motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Matthew McConnell. Voice vote was unanimous, motion carried.

Wardens Report:

Warden Craig begins by stating the total population for the jail has been on the lower end at 151. She states that there were 93 commitments and 114 releases for the month of November. Warden Craig states that state trips are still continuing however, it seems that there will always be about 15 inmates waiting transfer.

Warden Craig continues by stating that due to the holidays and Covid cases, new restrictions were set at the jail. She states that in order to compensate inmates for the restrictions, they'll be getting snacks and soda at Christmas as well as bigger meals and the ability to watch movies. Warden Craig states that the funding for everything will come out of the Canteen fund.

Warden Craig states that an ultimate goal for the jail going into the New Year is to get the Work Release

program back and running. She states that there are multiple inmates that come in already having employment and that work release would really help them stay on their feet upon release. Warden Craig states that the work release program coming back would depend on Covid cases hopefully staying at a low number.

Warden Craig states there has been a Federal Regulation change regarding juveniles housed as adults. She states that there are four juveniles currently in the jail however, the change does not retroact to them. Warden Craig states that the courts will now need to issue court orders to the jail weighing in on several factors such as the juveniles' maturity level, if they're at risk of self-harm and the circumstances their charges fell under. District Attorney Pete Acker states that he is currently working with the jail in order to get those four current juveniles released.

Due to it being the last prison board meeting for President Thomas Amundsen and Secretary Judge Yeatts, Warden Craig thanks them both for being so supportive and helpful with the jail.

Prison Board President Thomas Amundsen asks for a motion to approve the Wardens Report. Secretary Judge Yeatts makes the motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Matthew McConnell. Voice vote was unanimous, motion carried.

IPP Report:

IPP Director William McClure begins by stating that there were 626 total participants in programs which included 96 referrals, 65 successful completions, eight failures and 13 revocation hearings. He states that there was a savings to the county of \$208,939 with 2,528 jail bed days saved. Director McClure continues by stating there was 659 community service hours completed which created a savings to the work sites of \$4,778. He states there are currently 33 participants in the treatment court program with eight in aftercare and two who recently phased up. Director McClure states there were 179 urinalyses' completed with only three positives.

Director William McClure states that the CCAP continuation grant has been approved which will provide \$96,000 for the upcoming year.

Prison Board President Thomas Amundsen asks for a motion to approve the IPP Report. Commissioner Matthew McConnell makes the motion and it was seconded by Secretary Judge Yeatts. Voice vote was unanimous, motion carried.

Old Business:

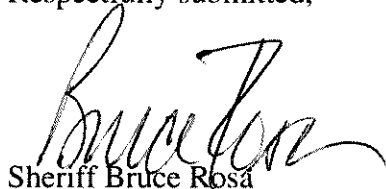
None.

New Business:

None.

Prison Board President Thomas Amundsen asks for a motion to go into executive session. Commissioner Matthew McConnell makes the motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Scott Boyd. Voice vote was unanimous, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Sheriff Bruce Rosa
Mercer County Prison
Prison Board Vice President