

## Carbon County Detention Facility Meeting

December 16th, 2020, 6:00pm

In person at the Joliet Fire Department: Commissioner Scott Blain, Hal Lewis, Amber Foechterle, Gary Foechterle, Kathleen Armstrong, Melvin Hoferer, Kyle Lorash. In person at Commissioners Office: Commissioner Bill Bullock, Angela Newell, Commissioner Elect Scott Miller, Gary Morseman, Barbara Krizek. Online: Steve Simonson, Jane Swanson Webb, Sheriff Josh McQuillan, Pete Critelli, Denise Rivette

1. **Public Comment:** None
2. **Approve Minutes:** Jane Swanson Webb requested that Angela Newell be added to the attendees from last meeting as she was left off the list. Minutes from 12.9.2020 with one change were unanimously approved.
3. **Utility Connections Cost Update:** Commissioner Bullock stated that we are still moving forward with MDU and Northwestern Energy and waiting for quotes. Angela Newell gave an update on an internet quote and that came in at \$20,000. Commissioner Blain gave an update for water and sewer. The price will vary depending on size of main and whether the line goes from Central or Carbon and the total could be near two million. Commissioner Blain spoke with Representative Burglee about the possibility of having the house look at legislature for covering any or all of the project.

Shane Warehime joined the meeting.

4. **Memorandum of Understanding with contracting counties:** Sweet Grass County has committed to five beds and Stillwater County has committed to twenty beds. The commission will be reaching out to Musselshell County as well.

Angela Newell gave an update on timelines. If there is a March 30<sup>th</sup> election a resolution has to be adopted by January 29<sup>th</sup>. April 6<sup>th</sup> election will have to have a resolution by February 5<sup>th</sup> and a April 13<sup>th</sup> election will have to have a resolution by February 12<sup>th</sup>.

**5. Operating Costs/Staffing:** Commissioner Blain passed out a current spreadsheet of averages costs based on a normal functioning jail. Sheriff McQuillan will be meeting with other counties to discuss options. Angela, Michelle and Barbara will work together on presentation for estimates on operating costs.

**6. Marketing:**

- a. Distribution methods: Hal Lewis is working on a Facebook page for the committee in order to distribute information to the public. Some discussion on having Valley Printers print up some mailers to send out to the public. Jane Swanson Webb suggested that the committee use social media as much as possible. Have people post information on their Facebook pages and have their friends do the same. We could possibly send out brochures out to the older people that do not use social media. Some discussion on having several smaller meetings at the community center to spread information. Pete Critelli stated that he and Tara will go to luncheons to give updates. Some other suggestions were Lions Club, Elks, Rotary Club, Republican Women's Club, school board meetings, fire meetings, council meetings, homeowner association meetings, radio stations, etc.

**7. Items for next agenda:** Utilities update, Marketing, Sheriff's report.

Meeting adjourned by Hal Lewis. No meeting on 12/23/2020. Next meeting will be Wednesday, 12/30/2020.