

MINUTES

Eau Claire County

Criminal Justice Collaborating Council

Wednesday, October 21, 2020 at 7:30 a.m.

Virtual Meeting via Webex Events

Present: Sheriff Ron Cramer, Connie Russell, LaRue Pierce, Chief Matt Rokus, Dana Smetana, Lieske Giese, Jenessa Stromberger, Kathryn Schauf, Judge Michael Schumacher, Tim Wavernuk, Justin Patchin, Laurie Osberg, Dana Brown, Gary King, Dave Riewestahl, Stephan Nick, Nick Smiar

Others: Samantha Kraegenbrink – Committee Clerk, Tiana Glenna, Aimee Drivas, James Diezel, Dana Swanstrom, Jonathan Fortier, Luke Fedie, Andrew Falk

Public: Present

Judge Schumacher called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m. and confirmed meeting notice.

Verbal roll call was read by the Committee Clerk and listed above.

Christine Varnavas, who works with CCS, provided comment regarding her negative interaction with local law enforcement and her relationship with DHS. David Carlson provided comment regarding the HIDTA designation and item 6, Racial and Ethnic Disparities. Both provided a written comment which was forwarded to the Council prior to the meeting.

The Council reviewed minutes from August 19, 2020. Motion by Administrator Schauf, seconded by Tim Wavernuk. No further discussion. Minutes approved as presented.

The Council welcomed new member, LaRue Pierce. Mr. Pierce provided a brief introduction.

Administrator Schauf provided details on the County's work with Racial Equity. Tiana Glenna provided further details on Racial Equity and mental health focus as well as the PLN Stepping Up update. Chief Rokus provided an update on his department's work with mental health issues.

Sheriff Cramer and Andrew Falk provided an extensive update on the HIDTA designation.

Lieske Giese provided an update on Covid-19 in the community as well as in the jail.

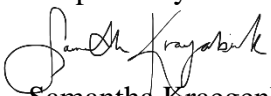
Tiana Glenna provided an overview of the nominations for the 2020 Award of Service to the CJCC. Rich White and Dana Smetana have been nominated.

Gary King, Laurie Osberg, Dave Riewestahl, and Judge Schumacher provided an update on Covid-19 Impacts on the Criminal Justice Systems.

COVID-19 impacts on the Criminal Justice System and CJCC meeting frequency were referred to the next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:34 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by,



Samantha Kraegenbrink – Committee Clerk