

**CRIMINAL JUSTICE ADMINISTRATION COORDINATION COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF DISCUSSION HELD ON
December 15, 2020**

Present: Judges Kevin Crane, Brouck Jacobs, Josh Devine, Kimberly Shaw, Tracy Gonzalez, Stephanie Morrell and Commissioner Casey Clevenger. Also present were Boone County Commissioners Dan Atwill and Janet Thompson, Boone County Auditor June Pitchford, Boone County Circuit Clerk Christy Blakemore, District Public Defender Sarah Aplin and Deputy Public Defender Jeremy Pilkington, Boone County First Assistant Prosecutor Roger Johnson, Probation and Parole District Administrator Jared Drummond, Major Tom Reddin, Detention Director Keith Hoskins, Captain Jennie Atwell, Defense Attorneys Rusty Antel and Kay Evans, Court Services Supervisor Brandon Walker, Race Matters Friends Representative Peggy Placier, Missourian Reporter Cianna Morales, Court Administrator Mary Epping and Deputy Court Administrator Cindy Garrett.

1. Call to Order/Welcome

Judge Kevin Crane called the meeting to order via Zoom at 7:48 a.m. and welcomed guests.

2. Review Minutes of November 17, 2020

No corrections were noted.

3. Boone County Jail Warrant Service

Judge Kimberly Shaw said this issue was regarding a defendant who posted a bond and, then after, a warrant was signed by the judge increasing the bond and adding conditions. The jail stamped the warrant served when it was not in fact served as the defendant had already bonded out. Circuit Clerk Christy Blakemore said she spoke with the Sheriff's Department and they have a process in place where the sheriff's department will call the clerk to see if the warrant should be returned or should show as outstanding. Judge Shaw wanted to make sure the warrant was not showing as served if it was not physically served on the defendant.

4. Public Defender Contracts

Court Administrator Mary Epping said a donation was given by Jennifer Bukowsky of \$300,000 to pay for panel attorneys through the public defender's office for clients on the waitlist. Mary said the court is continuing to have trouble getting people to apply for contracts the court has offered to take those cases the public defender will not take when the charge is not likely to result in incarceration. Mary said Public Defender Director Mary Fox is hopeful there will not be a waitlist once the cases are assigned to panel

attorneys with the donation.

5. Justice Reinvestment Initiative Grant and Crisis Response Initiative

Court Administrator Mary Epping said the Supreme Court has had four virtual training sessions, some having to do with defendants involved in the criminal justice system who also have mental health issues. She said this is something the court has been working on for several years. Mary said there is a \$50,000 grant through the Department of Corrections' Justice Reinvestment Initiative that Mary plans to apply for. Mary said the funding would be a support for law enforcement when someone is having a mental health crisis or needs mental health assistance. In addition, she and Commissioner Clevenger met with KC Rafferty, of the Missouri Behavioral Health Coalition, and they are looking at having pilot sites for access centers. Mary said Boone County plans to send in a letter of interest for this pilot program and are hopeful there will be funding available. Mary said these are exciting opportunities for the future.

6. Rule 4.1 Criminal Filings

Court Administration Mary Epping said on page 3 of the packet is a new local court rule that is being proposed and reviewed this evening at Court en Banc. She said the plan is to implement this circuit wide rule stating that criminal case filings for defendants out of custody shall be filed by 12 noon, the day prior to the date of the ticket, summons or bond indicates the arraignments is to be set. Mary said this is to address the issue when cases were being filed immediately to and during the docket.

7. Adult Court Services Report

Adult Court Services Supervisor Brandon Walker said as of last week there were 215 on bond supervision and 33 on home detention and he doesn't see anything to change those numbers drastically over next the next month or so.

Judge Kevin Crane said his video court experience has been positive with those inmates being held in the Cooper County Detention Facility.

8. Other

Judge Kevin Crane inquired about progress on the private bar iPad access with the jail. Mary said there is no CARES funding available therefore the cost would have to be absorbed through the prosecutors or courts budget unless the bar wants to purchase an iPad. Keith Hoskins said once the equipment is purchased, appointments will still need to be scheduled for a virtual visit due to limited internet. Judge Crane requested that Kay Evans and Rusty Antel advise the Boone County Bar of the update.

Major Tom Reddin announced administrative changes with the Boone County Sheriff's Department. He said Detention Director Keith Hoskins is retiring on December 28, 2020 after nearly 35 years. Tom said he is also retiring from the Chief Deputy position as of

the end of the year and he will remain at the Sheriff's department working in the evidence unit until he fully retires in 2024. Captain Gary German is being promoted to the Chief Deputy position effective January 1, 2021. Captain Jennie Atwell will be the go to person until the Detention Director position is filled.

9. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be Tuesday, January 12, 2021, at 7:45 a.m. The meeting adjourned at 8:08 a.m.

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cc: Meeting Attendees
Presiding Commissioner Atwill
Commissioner Parry