

Fayette County Prison Board
Meeting Minutes of August 31, 2016

Call To Order

Sheriff Jim Custer called the meeting to Order at 9:17 am in the conference room, Commissioners Office.

Roll Call

The following members were present at Roll Call: Controller Scott Abraham, Commissioner Dave Lohr, Commissioner Angela Zimmerlink and Sheriff Custer. Absent were District Attorney Rich Bower and Commissioner Vince Vicites. A quorum was present. (Commissioner Vicites arrived at 9:22 am)

Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment on Agenda Items: None

Moved by Commissioner Zimmerlink and seconded by Commissioner Lohr to approve the meeting minutes of June 29, 2016

Controller Abraham	aye
Commissioner Lohr	aye
Commissioner Zimmerlink	aye
Sheriff Custer	aye

Motion passed unanimously 4-0

Moved by Commissioner Zimmerlink and seconded by Commissioner Lohr to approve the July and August bills, as attached

Controller Abraham	aye
Commissioner Lohr	aye
Commissioner Zimmerlink	aye
Sheriff Custer	aye

Motion passed unanimously 4-0

Population Report for August 2016

(Commissioner Vicites arrived)

The Warden reported 198 males and 45 females in house; 5 males out of county (2 in Greene and 3 in Bedford); 4 females out of county (Greene) and 14 inmates awaiting state transport (4 females and 8 males). Commissioner Zimmerlink asked for confirmation that the transport issue with the State has been resolved. Both Sheriff Custer and Warden Miller said it has been discussed and appears to be working better.

Update on Maintenance Repair

The Warden did not have the monthly log to distribute. He said the roof bids were awarded
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and computers were down but fixed and other than that nothing out of the ordinary. Commissioner Lohr asked about the beam saying he met with the engineer who said special equipment is needed. Commissioner Vicites said it was initially repair wrong. The Warden said he would follow up and advise the status of the repair. Commissioner Lohr said the Deputy Warden for Security Mike Zavada did a good job in handling the recent lock repair issue at the annex.

The Warden confirmed that the AA meetings for the male inmates has been scheduled.

Commissioner Zimmerlink asked if any members had received the jail policies as discussed at prior prison board meetings. The Warden said he would get flash drives to all members.

Personnel

It was reported that the County won the arbitration filed by the UMWA on behalf of Correction Officer Justine Straitiff.

CO Aaron Lohring asked why part-timers are being laid off while the county is hiring new people. Commissioner Lohr said that was not the case and that the county advertised for testing. Commissioner Zimmerlink asked the HR department and the Warden to confirm that meetings occurred with prison staff, HR and the Warden on the proper method of scheduling and they confirmed yes.

Public Comment :

Jeri Lowe stated concerns about the health and safety of the inmates and CO's. (attached)

Rick Carlins reiterated his suggestion for inmate worker program as he did last year. He suggested inmates perform road cleanups or any other work that can be done. Sheriff Custer agreed stating he is looking into this further. The Warden said he wished DA Bower was present because DA Bower said he was not supportive of it. Commissioner Zimmerlink reminded the Board that it is a policy in place and needs to be followed adding that all members have stated they are in agreement and that it is required as per prior audits. The Warden proceeded with examples of what could happen with contraband and Commissioner Zimmerlink suggested he not go further because as discussed previously with the Board steps can be taken to minimize that issue.

Moved by Commissioner Zimmerlink and seconded by Controller Abraham to adjourn

Controller Abraham	aye
Commissioner Vicites	aye
Commissioner Lohr	aye
Commissioner Zimmerlink	aye
Sheriff Custer	aye

Motion passed unanimously 5-0