

October 28, 2009

A regular meeting of the Prison Board was held on Wednesday October 28th, 2009 at 9:00 A.M. at the Fayette County Commissioners Office Conference Room

Roll call was done and the following members were present:

**Commissioner Vince Zapotosky
Commissioner Angela M. Zimmerlink
Deputy Controller, Jeanine Wrona
Sheriff Gary Brownfield
District Attorney Nancy Vernon**

**Others: Acting Warden, Brian Miller
Dominick Carnicella, Felice & Associates
Barry Croftcheck of the Prison
Howard Yeagley
Joseph Yeagley
Daniel Campbell
Michael Hicks
Bruce McCombie
Ronald Dellarose**

2 Members from the Media were present:

**Liz Zimba, Tribune Review
Jennifer Harr, Herald Standard**

**Came in During the Meeting:
Commissioner Vincent A. Vicites**

Motion made by District Attorney Nancy Vernon and seconded by Sheriff Gary Brownfield to approve the September Minutes.

On the Roll Call vote was:

Commissioner Vince Zapotosky	yes
Commissioner Angela M. Zimmerlink	abstain
Commissioner Vincent A. Vicites	yes
District Attorney Nancy Vernon	yes
Sheriff Gary Brownfield	yes
Deputy Controller, Jeanine Wrona	yes

Motion Carried 5-1

Commissioner Zimmerlink stated I did abstain being the September 30th minutes needed time for more of a discussion, the issue pertaining to Warden Medlock was not reflected in the minutes.

Commissioner Zapotosky commented, we did discuss about hiring, and it would be up to the Prison Board to determine who that individual would be.

Motion made by Commissioner Zimmerlink and seconded by Commissioner Zapotosky to pay the October 2009 bills.

Commissioner Vince Zapotosky	yes
Commissioner Angela M. Zimmerlink	yes
Commissioner Vincent A. Vicites	yes
District Attorney Nancy Vernon	yes
Sheriff Gary Brownfield	yes
Deputy Controller, Jeanine Wrona	yes

Motion Carried Unanimously

Sheriff Gary Brownfield asked the board, when we have an inmate that requires Hospitalization for special needs, who pays for that visit?

Acting Warden Brian Miller stated Prime Care pays the medical which is the first \$2,500.00 and the balance comes out of the county or the inmate.

Ron Dellarose stated he does negotiate levels of cost with the medical facility.

Sheriff Gary Brownfield commented, 3 females in the prison are expecting a child.

Commissioner Zapotosky stated we are paying approximately \$49,000.00 a month for Health Care, which is almost \$500,000.00 year, and we are going to have to monitor that a little better.

On the Roll Call vote was:

Commissioner Vince Zapotosky	yes
Commissioner Vincent A. Vicites	yes
Commissioner Angela M. Zimmerlink	yes
Sheriff Gary Brownfield	yes
District Attorney Nancy Vernon	yes
Deputy Controller, Jeanine Wrona	yes

Motion Carried Unanimously

Population Report for October:

Acting Warden Brian Miller said the population as of 7:38 am this morning there are 258 inmates which are 229 males and 30 Females with 5 being in Greene County.

Sheriff Gary Brownfield stated the cost per day for each inmate is \$45. 00

Acting Warden Brian Miller requested going into an Executive Session to discuss personnel, pending final investigation of Human Resources on four Correction Officers that were suspended for inmate assault, assault on an inmate, and 2 suspended for the suicide of inmate Cade Stevens.

A recess was taken until Human Resource Director Dominick Carnicella was preparing needed paperwork for the Executive Session.

Motion made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Zimmerlink to take a recess.

Commissioner Vince Zapotosky	yes
Commissioner Angela M. Zimmerlink	yes
Commissioner Vincent A. Vicites	yes
District Attorney Nancy Vernon	yes
Sheriff Gary Brownfield	yes
Deputy Controller, Jeanine Wrona	yes

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Sheriff Gary Brownfield to reconvene the meeting.

Commissioner Vince Zapotosky	yes
Commissioner Angela M. Zimmerlink	yes
Commissioner Vincent A. Vicites	yes
District Attorney Nancy Vernon	yes
Sheriff Gary Brownfield	yes
Deputy Controller, Jeanine Wrona	yes

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion made by Commissioner Zimmerlink and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to go into an Executive Session regarding Personnel Action.

Commissioner Vince Zapotosky	yes
Commissioner Angela M. Zimmerlink	yes
Commissioner Vincent A. Vicites	yes
District Attorney Nancy Vernon	yes
Sheriff Gary Brownfield	yes
Deputy Controller, Jeanine Wrona	yes

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Zimmerlink involving Correction Officer Bruce McCombie a 30 days suspension without pay given for the following violations that on September 9, 2009 he violated the Fayette County Prison Policy Annual Prison Rules, Conduct and Disciplined Section 6C by falsely documented the prison event report and item # 4 on or above August 26, 2009 and September 6, 2009 he failed to abide by the Fayette County Prison Personal Policy Manual, Conduct and Discipline, conduct section 4 by failing to give full time attention to business of the person, willfully violating the safety rules or common safety practices. He spoke on item # 5, September 6, 2009 he violated the Fayette County Prison Policy also Prison rules of conduct, discipline section 6C by failure to report misconduct of another Correctional Officer.

Commissioner Vince Zapotosky	yes
Commissioner Angela M. Zimmerlink	yes
Commissioner Vincent A. Vicites	yes
District Attorney Nancy Vernon	abstain
Sheriff Gary Brownfield	yes
Deputy Controller, Jeanine Wrona	yes

Motion Carried 5-1

Motion made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Zimmerlink involving Correction Officer Joseph Yeagley a 30 day suspension without pay be issued for the following violations that on September 9, 2009 he violated the Fayette County Prison Board, Fayette County Prison Board Policy Annual Prison rules of conduct, and discipline section 6C falsely documented the prison event report and item # 4 on or above August 26, 2009 and September 6, 2009 he failed to abide by the Fayette County Prison Personal Policy Manual, conduct and discipline, conduct section 4, by failing to give full time attention to business of the person, willfully violating the safety rules or common safety practices. He spoke on item # 5, on September 6, 2009 He violated the Fayette County Prison Policy also Prison rules of conduct, discipline section 6C by failure to report misconduct of another Correctional Officer.

Commissioner Vince Zapotosky	yes
Commissioner Vincent A. Vicites	yes
Commissioner Angela M. Zimmerlink	yes
District Attorney Nancy Vernon	abstain
Sheriff Gary Brownfield	yes
Deputy Controller, Jeanine Wrona	yes

Motion Carried 5-1

Acting Warden Brian Miller commented about making a decision on a date for next month's meeting.

Commissioner Zimmerlink stated one will take place the week of November 16th.

Commissioner Zapotosky stated he would like to look at the new Health Care Contract to see if there are negotiations, and also explore any possibility of why and how we could correct some of the situations.

Warden Miller stated the contract was offered 10 years ago and things have changed.

Joseph Yeagle stated that he has been off since September 6th 2009, he commented there have been changes made and he asked if he could be supplied with copies of the changes.

Acting Brian Miller stated, the copies of the changes will be given to the individuals that were absent from the time of the changes.

Public Comment: None

A discussion was held with Human Resources in regarding to the updating of the issues that took place in prison, and Dominick Carnicella director of Human Resources stated that the investigations are not complete though would be in about a week.

Motion to adjourn made by District Attorney Nancy Vernon and seconded by Commissioner Angela M. Zimmerlink.

On the Roll Call vote was:

Commissioner Vince Zapotosky	yes
Commissioner Vincent A. Vicites	yes
Commissioner Angela M. Zimmerlink	yes
District Attorney Nancy Vernon	yes
Sheriff Gary Brownfield	yes
Deputy Controller, Jeanine Wrona	yes

Motion Carried Unanimously

