

M I N U T E S

MONDAY, January 9, 2017

**PALM BEACH COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

McEaddy Conference Room
12th Floor, 301 N. Olive Avenue
West Palm Beach

Members Present:

Dave Aronberg
Roselyn Baker
Douglas Duncan
Dave Kerner
Christina Morrison
Gerald Richman
Lee Waring

Members Absent:

Barbara Cheives
Jeffrey Colbath
Carey Haughwout
Randolph Johnson, Sr.
Frank Kitzerow
Barry Krischer
William Kramer (Ex-Officio)
Robert Avossa (Ex-Officio)

Guests Attending:

Jon Van Arnam, PBC Deputy County Administrator
Louis Tomeo, Clerk & Comptroller's Office
Arlene Griffiths, PBC Public Safety Department
Marienla Diaz, PBC Public Safety Department
Al Johnson, State Attorney's Office
Mark Strach, Florida Dept. of Corrections
Debra Oats, Court Administration
Frank Mercurio, Florida Department of Law Enforcement
Tamika Cooley, PBC CareerSource
Eliot Kleinberg, Palm Beach Post

Staff Present:

Kristina Henson, Executive Director
Danny Kreshak, Financial Analyst
Katherine Hatos, Senior Criminal Justice Analyst
Allison Orr, Administrative Assistant
Jackie Price, Criminal Justice Analyst

- I. Chairman Lee Waring called the meeting to order and extended a welcome to members and guests.
- II. Roll call was taken and a quorum was present.
- III. Chairman Waring invited guests to introduce themselves.
- IV. The Agenda for the January 9, 2017 meeting was unanimously approved after motion by Mr. Douglas Duncan and second by Mr. Dave Kerner.
- V. The Minutes of the March 14, 2016 meeting were unanimously approved after motion by Mr. Dave Kerner and a second by Mr. Gerald Richman.

VI. Chairman's Comments:

- A. Lee Waring announced a meeting to be held later in the month with County Administrator Verdenia Baker to update her on the activities of the CJC. He requested any comments or concerns from the members should be passed on to Executive Director Kristina Henson.

VII. Executive Director Comments:

- A. Kristina Henson gave an update on the annual Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) Justice Assistance Grant (JAG), currently funding Reentry and Law Enforcement Exchange (LEX) Programs. Ms. Henson announced that in December, FDLE denied the LEX grant based on their belief that a metadata planner position for the State's Region 7 (South Florida) LEX system is a duplication. The CJC staff is appealing this decision, and hopes to have it resolved by the end of January. If LEX funding is denied, the CJC will still have the \$100,000.00 to use for another approved purpose area.

VIII. Old Business:

- A. No old business.

IX. New Business:

- A. **Review and discussion of the proposed Annual Planning Meeting Agenda:** Chair Waring referred to a prior draft of the agenda that was discussed at an earlier CJC meeting. He discussed the idea of moving the discussion about the 2017 priorities earlier in the agenda to give thorough time for discussion. There was some discussion of topics to be added for consideration, including the opioid epidemic and youth violence and gangs. Commissioner Kerner suggested that the CJC track pertinent legislation to make recommendations to the County Commission. There was discussion about how the CJC could go about tracking legislation and including coordination with the County's Legislative Affairs Office and Commissioner Kerner's office.
- B. **Review and discussion of the Palm Beach Post's Editorial of December 28, 2016, *Criminal justice panel's focus must go beyond body cameras:*** Chair Waring discussed the content of the editorial that was not entirely inclusive of the CJC's Body Worn Camera Committee's activities, nor was it correct in the role and authority of the CJC, and warrants a response. He requested input from the members and the consensus was to go forward with a response.

X. Member Comments:

There was general discussion regarding the perception of the BOCC and media on the CJC and continuing efforts to educate and promote and educate its activities through community engagement.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:55 a.m.