

**M I N U T E S**

**MONDAY, April 23, 2018**

**PALM BEACH COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION**

McEaddy Conference Room  
12<sup>th</sup> Floor, 301 N. Olive Avenue  
West Palm Beach

***Members Present:***

William Dames  
Douglas Duncan  
George Elmore  
Carey Haughwout  
Joseph Ianno, Jr.  
Keith James  
Randolph Johnson, Sr.  
Barry Krischer  
James Martz  
Frank Mercurio  
Sarah Mooney  
Gerald Richman  
Greg Starling  
Stephen Stepp  
Lee Waring  
Erica Whitfield

***Members Absent:***

Dave Aronberg  
Sharon Bock  
Ric Bradshaw  
Barbara Cheives  
Rachel Docekal  
Rolando Garcia  
Kimber Heddon  
Al Jacquet  
Kevin Jones  
Dave Kerner  
Nellie King  
John McKenna  
Krista Marx  
Christina Morrison  
Robert Shirley

***Guests Attending:***

Louis Tomeo, Clerk & Comptroller's Office  
Jennifer Loyless, Public Defender's Office  
Mike Edmondson, State Attorney's Office  
Alexcia Cox, State Attorney's Office  
Angela Bess, PBC School District  
Nicole Bishop, PBC Public Safety Department, Victim Services  
Craig Spatara, PBC Public Safety Department, Reentry Program  
Arlene Griffiths, PBC Public Safety Department, Reentry Program  
Debra Oats, PBC Court Administration  
Lolita Sanon, PBSO Victim Advocate  
Susan Carlini, PBC Public Safety Department, Victim Services  
Mark Strach, Florida Department of Corrections  
Marybel Reinoso Coleman, Candidate for Circuit Court Judge, Group 18  
Clay Walker, Department of Children and Families  
Dave Talley, PBC Career Source  
Laura MacFarland, Place of Hope  
Joshua Kolkana, Place of Hope  
Dave Bernhardt, BOCC District 3  
Shari Calderwood, GACP, PBC Youth Services  
Jenn Rey, Aid to Victims of Domestic Violence  
Belci Enanosa, Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies

**Staff Present:**

Kristina Henson, Executive Director  
Danny Kreshak, Financial Analyst  
Damir Kukec, Manager, Research and Planning  
Althea Mones, Temporary Clerical Staff  
Rosalind Murray, Senior Criminal Justice Analyst  
Allison Orr, Administrative Assistant  
Katherine Shover, Senior Criminal Justice Analyst  
Bert Winkler, Senior Criminal Justice Analyst

- I. Chairman Richman called the meeting to order and extended a welcome to members and guests.
- II. Roll call was taken and a quorum was present.
- III. Chair Richman invited guests to introduce themselves.
- IV. The agenda for the April 23, 2018 meeting was unanimously approved after a motion by Mr. George Elmore and a second by Mr. Randy Johnson.
- V. The Minutes of the March 26 Meeting were unanimously approved after a motion by Mr. George Elmore and a second by Mr. Randy Johnson.

**VI. Chairman's Comments:**

- A. Chair Richman recognized and bid farewell to retiring Deputy County Administrator, Mr. Jon Van Arnam.
- B. Chair Richman announced the retirement of Michael D'Alonzo from the FBI. A new replacement has not been named yet.
- C. Chair Richman reminded members the May 21, 2018 full session CJC meeting will take place at the Palm Beach Gardens Police Department to tour their new training center and participate in three scenarios: active shooter, shoot-don't-shoot, and vehicle pursuit.
- D. Chair Richman commented on his experience participating in the Judge Marvin Mounts Annual Prison Tour; Ms. Erica Whitfield also gave her perspective on the trip.

**VII. Executive Director Comments:**

- A. Executive Director Kristina Henson announced effective July 2, Judge Sheree Cunningham will become the Administrative Judge of County Court Criminal and will become the Chair of the CJCJ's Probation Advisory Board.
- B. Director Henson announced the CJC's application for membership in the National Network of Criminal Justice Coordinating Councils, an information sharing network on court related issues.

- C. Director Henson shared a brief video of Judge Jeffrey Colbath speaking on the initiatives developed by Palm Beach County for the MacArthur Safety and Justice Challenge “Champions of Change” series.
- D. Director Henson acknowledged the upcoming National Reentry Week and recognized the staff of the PBC Public Safety Department for their work.

**VIII. Old Business:**

- A. Mr. Doug Duncan, Chair of the Corrections Task Force (CTF), gave an overview on the committees work regarding the court-ordered PBSO In House Arrest Program. The committee was tasked by the CJC to examine concerns regarding delays in release times from jail to the program. The committee met with staff from the Public Defender’s Office and the PBSO Alternative Custody Unit. Several factors can result in delays, such as logistical issues, along with defendant/ family issues, and scheduling in-home inspections. After review, the CTF is satisfied that PBSO does attempt to diligently and promptly release defendants into the house arrest program. The CTF recommended to the CJC a letter from the Chair supporting the continuation of funding the Alternative Custody Unit, be sent to the Sheriff, to ensure maximum efficiency of the Program. Mr. Barry Krischer made a motion to send the letter of support, with a second by Judge James Martz, motion passed unanimously.

**IX. New Business**

- A. CJC Treasurer Mr. Joseph Ianno, Jr. gave an overview of the proposed CJC FY19 budget. The ad valorem request has decreased slightly due to changes in personnel. Director Henson gave additional details on a supplemental funding request for the FUSE and Reentry programs, due to the hold on federal Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grants (JAG) as directed by the County Commission at their March 13, 2018 meeting.

A motion to accept the FY19 CJC budget was made by Mr. Barry Krischer and upon a second by Mr. Keith James, the motion passed unanimously.

In addition to the regular budget request above, Director Henson presented a proposal for an expenditure from the Domestic Violence Trust Fund, not to exceed \$150,000, for a three-year training and best-practices evaluation of Palm Beach County’s response to domestic violence cases. Ms. Nicole Bishop, Director of PBC Public Safety Department, Justice and Victim Services Divisions, presented a proposal to contract with The Battered Women’s Justice Project. There was member discussion recommending the expenditure as it is so limited in its use by state statute. Mr. Barry Krischer made a motion to recommend the program for funding to the County, and upon a second by Mr. Randy Johnson, the motion passed unanimously.

- B. Director Henson introduced visitors from the Place of Hope and the Human Trafficking Coalition of the Palm Beaches. Ms. Laura MacFarland presented a

program from the Place of Hope which addresses the state of human trafficking in Palm Beach County. She provided informational materials and explained measures being taken to educate youth and the general public.

**X. Update on CJC Initiatives and Committees:**

A. Judge James Martz, Chair of the new LEPC School Safety Subcommittee, gave an update on the first meeting. The discussion centered on response to violence in schools and how the committee will define its role in the coordination of multi-disciplinary agencies.

B. Mr. Barry Krischer, Chair of the new Elder Abuse Prevention Task Force, gave an update on the first meeting. The main focus of the committee is to identify gaps in services and to coordinate multi-disciplinary agencies. .

**XI. Adjourn**

With no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 9:03 a.m.