

**M I N U T E S**

**MONDAY, January 23, 2017**

**PALM BEACH COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION**

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

***Members Present:***

Dave Aronberg  
Rosalyn Baker  
Ric Bradshaw  
Jeffrey Colbath  
Douglas Duncan  
George Elmore  
Carey Haughwout  
Joseph Ianno, Jr.  
Keith James  
Randolph Johnson, Sr.  
Dave Kerner  
Nellie King  
Frank Kitzerow  
Barry Krischer  
Bryan Kummerlen  
James Martz  
Frank Mercurio  
Christina Morrison  
Gerald Richman  
Greg Starling  
Lee Waring

***Members Absent:***

Sharon Bock  
Barbara Cheives  
Michael D'Alonzo  
Rachel Docekal  
Rolando Garcia  
Al Jacquet  
Kevin Jones  
John McKenna  
Karl Martin  
Robert Shirley  
Erica Whitfield

***Guests Attending:***

Louis Tomeo, Clerk & Comptroller's Office  
Dave Talley, PBC CareerSource  
Tamika Cooley, PBC CareerSource  
Bernard Featherman, Chair, Reentry Task Force Sex Offender Subcommittee  
Mark Strach, Florida Department of Corrections  
David Bernhardt, PBC Commission Aide District #3  
Mike Edmondson, State Attorney's Office  
Jennifer Loyless, Public Defender's Office  
Ted Gonzales, PBC Law Enforcement Exchange  
Angela Bess, PBC School District  
Marienela Diaz, PBC Public Safety Department  
Arlene Griffiths, PBC Public Safety Department  
Eliot Kleinberg, Palm Beach Post

**Staff Present:**

Kristina Henson, Executive Director  
Damir Kuvec, Research and Planning Manager  
Danny Kreshak, Financial Analyst  
Katherine Shover, Senior Criminal Justice Analyst  
Rosalind Murray, Senior Criminal Justice Analyst  
Allison Orr, Administrative Assistant  
Jackie Price, Criminal Justice Analyst  
Pamela Williams, Temporary Staff

- 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 23, 2017 meeting was unanimously approved after motion by Chief Judge Jeffrey Colbath and a second by Mr. George Elmore.
- V. The Minutes of the December 19, 2016 meeting were unanimously approved after a motion by Ms. Christina Morrison and a second by Mr. Randy Johnson.

**VI. Chairman's Comments:**

- A. Chairman Waring announced service recognitions to outgoing Chief of Police Bryan Kummerlen, City of West Palm Beach and former Criminal Justice Commission (CJC) private sector member Mr. William L. Kramer.
- B. Chairman Waring announced the new Economic Council member, Ms. Rachel Docekal, who was not able to be present.
- C. Chairman Waring summarized a recent status meeting he had with County Administrator Verdenia Baker, Deputy County Administrator Jon Van Arnam and Executive Director Kristina Henson. He said Ms. Baker voiced appreciation for the activities and work of the CJC especially as it relates to the Community Engagement Task Force and the Body Worn Camera Committee.
- D. Chairman Waring spoke of the discussion at the CJC Executive Committee meeting of January 9<sup>th</sup>, where members discussed writing a response to the Palm Beach Post editorial of December 28, 2016 regarding the CJC's role with the new Body Worn Camera Committee. He said he is working on a response and will make it available to members once he has it finalized.
- E. Chairman Waring updated members on the revisions made to the Annual Planning Meeting agenda as recommended by the CJC Executive Committee.

**VII. Executive Director Comments:**

- A. Kristina Henson announced that the 31<sup>st</sup> Citizen's Criminal Justice Academy

begins on Monday, February 6 and runs through April 17, 2017.

- B. Ms. Henson announced the CJC FY18 Budget is due to the County on February 13, 2017. The CJC will have an opportunity to review the submitted budget at the March meeting.

#### **VIII. Old Business:**

- A. Law Enforcement Exchange (LEX) Grant denial and appeal:

Executive Director Kristina Henson updated members on the denial of the \$100,000 LEX Grant from the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) in December 2016. She explained that FDLE believes the grant is a duplication of a metadata planner funded through U.S. Department of Justice funds for the statewide LEX project. Ms. Henson explained that she has discovered that FDLE is incorrect, as that position is now funded, as of April 1, 2016, through U.S. Department of Homeland Security grants. CJC Staff has provided a response to FDLE and is awaiting final determination.

- B. Batterer's Intervention Program (BIP) Provider Court List:

Director Henson sought direction from the CJC, possibly by legislative change, on the Batterers' Intervention Program for court-ordered defendants in the County. After the CJC adopted the process to maintain the court list of providers, the County Attorney's Office advised CJC staff that data could not be mandated from the providers as the CJC had desired. Member discussion ensued on this topic including, the effectiveness of the current BIP program model, the need to establish benchmarks and best practices for the evaluation of these programs, potentially requesting data through a Chapter 119 public records request, seeking legislative change to allow counties to establish an alternative program for meaningful treatment, a resolution of the CJC to describe the issue and recommend remedies, and the potential of collecting provider information through the issuance of the County business license. A motion was made by Chief Judge Jeffrey Colbath and a second by Mr. Randy Johnson, to draft a CJC Resolution outlining the issue with BIP Programs and recommending remedies. The motion passed unanimously. It was also agreed to continue with the implementation of the process as the CJC approved at its December 19, 2016 meeting to use the affidavit as proposed by the Office of State Court Administrators to maintain a list of providers for court-ordered participants. In this process, staff will distinguish between items that will be mandatory and those that will be options, such as data submission, from the providers. Commissioner Dave Kerner volunteered to seek data and information from the providers through his office.

#### **IX. New Business:**

- A. No new business.

**X. Update on CJC Initiatives:**

- A. Mr. Gerald Richman, Chair of the Body-Worn Camera Committee (BWC) updated the CJC on the informational meeting held by the subcommittee, which will continue to meet on quarterly basis. The minutes of this meeting will be available along with a body-worn camera demonstration at the APM in February.
- B. Ms. Henson gave an updated report on the trainings held with the Pre-Trial Justice Institute using the Virginia risk assessment tool for Judges, State Attorney, Public Defender, pretrial and law enforcement staff. The pilot program is slated to begin in February 2017.

**XI. Upcoming Events:**

- A. State Attorney Dave Aronberg announced a Sealing and Expungement Workshop on February 2, 2017.
- B. Director Henson announced the Reentry Awareness Night to be held January 24, 2017 by the Riviera Beach Justice Service Center.

**XII. Member Comments:**

- A. There were no additional member comments.  
Chairman Waring adjourned the meeting at 9:00 a.m.