



BLAIR COUNTY PRISON BOARD

c/o Blair County Controller, 423 Allegheny St., Ste 141 Hollidaysburg, PA 16648

Blair County Prison Board Meeting of February 20, 2020 at 8:30 AM In Commissioners' Meeting Room

Board Members in Attendance:

Commissioner Laura Burke, District
Attorney Richard Consiglio, President
Judge Elizabeth Doyle, Commissioner
Bruce Erb, Sheriff James Ott, Controller
A.C. Stickel, Commissioner Amy Webster

Board Members not in Attendance:

NONE

Quorum: Present

Non-Board Members in Attendance:

Lieutenant Lee Benton, Deputy Warden
James Eckard, Deputy Warden James
McMahon, Deputy Warden Jay Whitesel

Primecare Representatives in Attendance: Brent Bavington

AFSCME: NONE

Prison Society Members in Attendance:

Dr. Ed Grab, Mrs. Elena Grab

Media in Attendance: Kay Stephens,
Altoona Mirror

Call to Order: Controller Stickel called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag: Led by Controller Stickel

Call for Public Comment on Prison Board Items: Controller Stickel called for public comment on Prison items. There were no comments.

Recognition of BCP Employee: In the absence of Warden Tate, Deputy Warden Whitesel recognized Lieutenant Lee Benton for his service to the Prison over many years and congratulated him on his retirement effective February 27, 2020.

Inmate Population Report: Deputy Warden Whitesel provided an updated Inmate Population Report which will be kept on file with the minutes.

Inmate Services Report: Deputy Warden McMahon reviewed the Inmate Services Report which will be kept on file with the minutes.

Warden's Report: Deputy Warden Whitesel reviewed the Warden's Report which will be kept on file with minutes.

Staffing Update: Deputy Warden Eckard provided a Staffing Report which will be kept on file with the minutes.

Deputy Warden Eckard reviewed the Sergeant Staffing Analysis Report provided. He explained that they are working with HR to evaluate the fiscal impact and union contract

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impact to abolish 4 fill-in positions and create 2 additional sergeant positions. It was noted that the evaluation should include the impact of potential liability to the county and staff. No action is being taken at today's meeting.

Chairman's Report: Controller Stickel reported that he has been meeting with Warden Tate and appropriate staff at least twice per month to discuss items regarding the prison.

On January 23, 2020 they met and discussed staffing, the camera project, the Kitchen Manager position, and the State Inspection which is happening today.

On February 11, 2020 they met and discussed the Sergeant Staffing Analysis and other issues.

On February 12, 2020 they provided a tour of the prison for Kay Stephens from The Altoona Mirror.

Financial Report: Controller A. C. Stickel provided a report for January 2020 which will be kept on file with the minutes. Controller Stickel explained that the 2019 final year-to-date report will be provided at the March meeting of Prison Board.

Adjournment: There being no further business to come before the board, Controller Stickel adjourned the meeting at 9:50am.

THE NEXT MONTHLY MEETING WILL BE HELD MARCH 19, 2020
AT 8:30 AM AT THE BLAIR COUNTY PRISON.

Respectfully Submitted,



President Judge Elizabeth A. Doyle
Secretary