Judiciary & Circuit Clerk & Juvenile & Probation
Committee Meeting
Tentative Minutes
Tuesday, January 12, 2010

1. Call to Order by Chairman Nye at 3:00
   - Members present: Messer, Stahl, Nye, Kenney, Colbert, DeArvil
   - Members absent: Gouker
   - Others present: Lynne Kilker, Greg Martin, Mike Dale, Meggon McKinley, Marty Typer, Don Conn, Jim Barnes

2. Approval of Minutes: December 8, 2009
   - Motion by Kenney
   - 2nd by Colbert
   - Motion carried

3. Public Comment - none

4. Consideration of Monthly Invoices:
   - Focus House bills in the amount of $2,048.87
     - Motion to approve by Messer
     - 2nd by Kenney
     - Motion carried
   - Probation bills in the amount of $1,035.00
     - Motion to approve by Stahl
     - 2nd by Messer
     - Motion carried
   - Circuit Clerk bills in the amount of $67.20
     - Motion to approve by DeArvil
     - 2nd by Stahl
     - Motion carried
   - Judiciary - none

5. Department Reports:
   - Probation – Martin reported there will be two interns starting to support Probation officers, federal grant writing, and adult drug court processes. This will help better manage costs. Martin handed out and reviewed monthly reporting data.
   - Focus House – Martin indicated he'll provide quarterly Focus House budget reporting as previously discussed. Dale distributed the monthly reporting data noting there should be 22 youth total, not 23. He noted last month there were 2 that came through Focus House for shelter care when in the past, they might have been detained. Diverting them to Focus House saved the county about $500 in detention costs. Martin commented one of the only times they hear from parents is when bills are sent out, and that they use a collection agency to collect fees when necessary. Dale

confirmed the break-even point with out-of-county kids in Focus House is around 8 or 9, which is where we are now.

- Ogle County Reporting Center – Dale distributed the monthly reports and noted there were two youth previously in Focus House that are now in the Reporting Center, which shows progress on their parts. Martin also confirmed some of the youth in the Reporting Center could have also been placed in detention, but have been successfully diverted. Martin confirmed it costs $44 per day to house a child in the Reporting Center compared to $110 per day in detention. Dale confirmed all youth in the Reporting Center are Ogle County youth.
- Circuit Clerk – Typer reported there will be a change in the frequency of the grand jury, now moving to monthly which will require more postage as well as the jury rolling every 6 months instead of 18 months. This is by States Attorney office preference. Typer reported the family who received all the HOPE Christmas gifts from his office was very appreciative and overwhelmed with the gifts. He noted the Circuit Clerk's office is busy with the new auditor in and all is going well. Typer is working on the Circuit Clerk annual report, which should be ready for the County Board in a few months. Typer also noted that FOIA regulations change as of January 1, and reminded the committee that many of the court documents are open and available online through web search, unless the Judge closes it. He noted a recent request from a lawyer in Pennsylvania, and Typer was able to point him to the web so he could search for the information himself. Typer also reported his office is concerned about any potential network IT vendor changes and waiting to see what is next in the process. McKinley also noted that there will be a Circuit Clerk bill that will go through Finance relating to obtaining a second doctor's opinion regarding an employee condition.

6. <u>New Business</u> –
   - Focus House Facility Needs & Options – Martin wanted to ensure the committee was brought up to speed regarding the Focus House Foundation's continued plans for purchasing land. Martin noted that the 501c3 Foundation that was established in the early 2000s to augment Focus House funding needs had worked with the County Board under Betty Gouken's leadership to set long range facility needs in motion. Plans were established to purchase land for the Focus House, sell the two in-town properties, and move all operations to the rural site for more cost effective operations. This would require building a new building on the site, which the Foundation would look to the County to fund after they purchase the land. The Foundation has $71,000 set aside for land purchase now. Martin wants to ensure the two groups are talking since the Foundation remains active in looking for land deals. Martin reported that the goal is not to expand operations, rather, consolidate locations and ensure they can apply for State certification for additional funding, which the current home locations in town will not support. Martin reported that at the last Foundation meeting, which Ed Rice, Pat Saunders, Meggon McKinley, and he attended, concern was expressed about the County Board's willingness to fund a new building if land is purchased. Stahl expressed concern that the two groups are not yet talking about this together. McKinley agreed. The Committee appreciated the update and agreed that communication should start right away. Martin and McKinley will work to set a

meeting with the Foundation, the Probation Committee and the Finance Committee early February. Martin will prepare an in depth cost analysis of various options for that meeting.

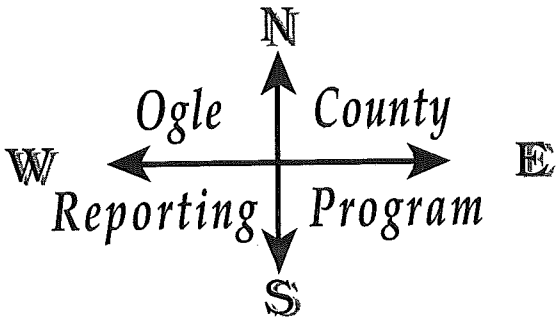
7. Old Business – none

8. Adjournment – by Chairman Nye at 3:45

Respectfully Submitted,
Meggon McKinley, Ogle County Administrator

Maggie Nye - Chairman

Sheriff's Department Training Room
103 Jefferson St in Oregon, Illinois
Public Entrance – gated entrance off Jefferson Street – use East door of building



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CURRENT MONTH-JANUARY 2010

TOTAL = 8 Evening / 2 Suspended Day*

AGE		LOCATION	
11-	1	Rochelle	6
14 -	0	Mt. Morris	0
15 -	3	Davis Junction	1
16-	3	Ashton	1
17 -	1		

SEX		RACE	
Male	3	Caucasian-	5
Female	5	Hispanic -	3

(1 are pretrial cases) (Alternative to suspension* - 2 RTHS)

PREVIOUS MONTH- DECEMBER- 2009

TOTAL = 5 Evening / 5 Suspended Day*

AGE		LOCATION	
11-	1	Rochelle	2
14 -	0	Mt. Morris	1
15 -	3	Davis Junction	1
16-	1	Ashton	1
17 -	0		

SEX		RACE	
Male	2	Caucasian-	4
Female	3	Hispanic -	1

(2 are pretrial cases) (Alternative to suspension* - 4 RTHS, 1 Byron)

United Way
Community Partner

Current Census 01/12/2010

	Male	Female	Total
Ogle County	11	3	14
Out of County	8	1	9
Total	19	4	23

Placement by Location	
Rochelle	5
Polo	3
Davis Junction	1
Oregon	1
Baileyville	1
Leaf River	1
Mt. Morris	0
Stillman Valley	1
Chana	0
Kirkland	0
Dixon	1
Winnebago	4
McHenry	3
Kendall	1
DuPage	1
Stephenson	0
Whiteside	0
DeKalb	0
Fulton	0

Placement by Age			
11	0	12	0
13	4	14	3
15	5	16	7
17	3	18	1