State’s Attorney – Court Services – Focus House Committee
Tentative Minutes
(Remote Attendance due to COVID-19 Crisis)

July 14, 2020

1. Call Meeting to Order: Chairman Finfrock called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. Present: Corbitt and Fox. Present via audio: Whalen. Others: Nordman, Typer, Janes and IT Manager Larry Callant. Others via audio: State’s Attorney Eric Morrow, Director of Court Services Cindy Bergstrom and Joe Shaw and Katie Whitmore with Focus House. Absent: Oltmanns.

2. Approval of Minutes – June 9, 2020: Motion by Fox to approve the minutes as presented, 2nd by Corbitt. Motion carried.

3. Public Comment: None

4. Monthly Invoices
   - State’s Attorney: Motion by Whalen to approve the bills totaling $3,469.36, 2nd by Corbitt. Motion carried.
   - Probation: Motion by Corbitt to approve the bills totaling $2,400.00, 2nd by Fox. Motion carried.
   - Focus House: Motion by Whalen to approve the bills totaling $21,229.27, 2nd by Corbitt. Corbitt thanked them for their CASA donation. Motion carried.

5. Department Reports
   - State’s Attorney
     - Budget Update: Everything looks fine. Morrow reminded the Committee that this is a strange year and it cannot be used for comparison of future budgets. Fox asked if they have a backlog of work. Morrow stated they are catching up.
     - Department Update: Morrow stated they are down another Assistant State’s Attorney. They are using a law student and he has reached out to a retired prosecutor to help fill in the gaps until the office transition. Morrow has reached out to Mike Rock for work on the FY2021 budget.
   - Probation
     - Budget Update: Everything looks good.
     - Department Update: Bergstrom stated she is also working on the new budget along with the Annual State plan.
   - Focus House
     - Budget Update: Everything is good.
     - Department Update: Shaw stated the occupancy is 5 at the Farm House (3 Ogle/2 Outside) and 4 at Miller House (2 Ogle/2 Outside) with another out-of-county placement coming Monday.

6. Closes Session: None
7. New Business: None

8. Old Business – Resolution for Noise Control: Finfrock stated they need to come up with an Ordinance and would like it ready for Tuesday. Morrow emailed out a couple examples from other counties and stated they need to be careful not to affect Ag or Construction purposes. Corbitt asked which example he preferred. Morrow stated the City of Champaign is good but it needs to be tailored for Ogle County. Whalen agreed that one is needed and it should be soon. Fox is in favor of it but does not want to rush into it. He recommended that it be ran by the Zoning Dept. Finfrock stated they will work on draft for next month.


Respectfully submitted,
Tiffany O’Brien