

TOWN OF MANSFIELD/DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, October 18, 2006
Audrey P. Beck Municipal Building
Council Chambers

Minutes

Members Present: R. Blicher, E. Higgins, C. Lary, C. Paulhus, W. Stauder, S. Thomas

Members Absent: A. Barberet, G. Cole, R. Gergler, R. Pellegrine, W. Solenski, V. Stearns

Staff: M. Hart, Counselor Cyr

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting came to order at 3:00 p.m.

II. MINUTES

1. July 19, 2006 Meeting Minutes - Ms. Thomas made a motion, seconded by Mr. Blicher, to approve the minutes of July 19, 2006. The motion passed unanimously.

III. COMMUNICATIONS

There was no discussion regarding the communications included in the packet.

IV. WARDEN'S REPORT AND DISCUSSION

1. Population Status Report – Ms. Higgins reported that the population was currently at 1086, including 124 overflow inmates. Due to the high inmate population, all level two facilities around the state need to house additional inmates for the short term. Bergin's normal maximum capacity is 962 inmates, but the facility can accommodate up to 1090 on overflow.
2. List of Offenses – Mr. Cyr reviewed the list of offenses for the current population, which was similar to previous lists.

V. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman did not have a report for this meeting.

VI. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC TO SPEAK

There was no one from the public who wished to address the committee at this meeting.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

1. Security Measures – Ms. Higgins reported that the installation of the interior wire was 85 percent complete.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Review Test of Community Notification System – Mr. Cyr reported that the test indicated that the system was working as designed and that there are no significant problems. The committee agreed to test the system two times per year, with the next test scheduled for March 2007. Mr. Hart suggested that the committee begin to research whether it was time to upgrade the system to a newer technology.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Matthew Hart
Town Manager