

# JRAC meeting minutes

Location: Bluffton Courthouse

Date: December 12, 2023

Time: 11:30 AM

Attendees: Probation Officer, Chair, Greg Werich

Wells Circuit Court, Secretary, Judge Kenton Kiracofe

Jenny Broderick, Parks Center

Wells County Sheriff, Scott Holliday

Bluffton Chief of Police, Kyle Randall

Director of Wells County Community Corrections, Blake Poindexter

Wells Superior Court, Vice Chair, Judge Andrew Antrim

Ossian Chief of Police, Curt Jack

## Agenda items

### 1. Agenda presented

Judge Antrim made a motion to accept as submitted. Seconded by Blake Poindexter. Meeting agenda was passed unanimously.

### 2. Minutes were presented

Blake Poindexter made a motion to accept as submitted. Seconded by Kyle Randall. Minutes were passed unanimously.

### 3. Quarterly Electronic Monitoring Report

Director Poindexter has completed the third quarterly report of electronic monitoring which was submitted through INcite. A copy of the report was distributed prior to the meeting to the committee. Discussion was had regarding the proposed report. Judge Antrim made a motion to accept as submitted. The motion was seconded by Blake Poindexter. Report was passed unanimously.

#### **4. Rural Justice Conference**

Greg Werich discussed his recent attendance at the Rural Justice Conference. Among the topics discussed at the conference were substance abuse services, funding sources for housing and mental health treatment, and system mapping of services.

Werich also discussed a program called Integrated Recovery which is currently being used in Delaware County. Under the Integrated Recovery program, when an offender leaves the county jail, they leave with referrals for various services, such as mental health treatment, substance abuse treatment, etc. After a referral is made, Park Center has 14 days to begin treatment. Sheriff Holliday has made some referrals to Park Center for post-sentence referrals which had been previously discussed with Jenny Broderick at Park Center.

#### **5. Mental Health**

Sheriff Holliday discussed that he would like to have better coordination with Park Center for services.

Sheriff Holliday advised that Wells County currently has a low jail census which is good; however, it makes it difficult to provide services on a consistent basis.

#### **6. Community Supervision**

Judge Kiracofe advised he was working on coordinating a mutually agreeable meeting time for the subcommittee.

#### **7. Juvenile Services**

Judge Kiracofe discussed the creation of a task force to address truancy. He had communicated with the following juvenile stakeholders: the superintendents and representatives of the county's three school systems, Wells County DCS Director, Wells County Probation, Wells County Prosecutor's Office, and Wells County CASA. The first meeting is currently scheduled for January 17, 2024.

#### **8. Future JRAC Activities**

The following meeting schedule for 2024 was adopted:

March 19, 2024

June 11, 2024

September 10, 2024

December 10, 2024

No other new business was discussed, and the meeting was concluded.

Next meeting is scheduled for March 1, 2024 at 11:30 in the Wells Superior Court jury room.