

BUTLER COUNTY PRISON BOARD
Tuesday, February 21, 2023
8:45 a.m.

MINUTES

PRESENT:

Mike Slupe, Chairman	Jennifer Passarelli, Prison
Leslie Osche, Vice Chair	Beau Sneddon, Prison
Ben Holland, Secretary	Lori Altman, Chief Clerk
Kim Geyer, Commissioner	Maria Malloy, Commissioner's Office
Kevin Boozel, Commissioner	Renee Manna, Commissioner's Office
Rich Goldinger, District Attorney	Lori Shah, Commissioner's Office
Wil White, Solicitor	Michele Cyphert, Controller's Office
Joe DeMore, Warden	Missy Stotler, Controller's Office
	Rep. Stephanie Scialabba
	Steve Ferris, Butler Eagle

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chairman Slupe called the meeting to order at 8:50 a.m. at the Butler County Commissioners' Office, and a quorum was established.

Mr. Slupe announced that the Board had entered into executive session at 8:00 a.m., for purposes of discussing personnel matters. No action was taken.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Slupe requested approval of the minutes from the January 17, 2023 meeting. Ms. Geyer motioned; seconded by Mr. Goldinger. The motion carried unanimously.

OPERATING REVENUES/EXPENDITURES REPORT

Mr. Holland gave the operating revenue and expenditures report for the period ending January 31, 2023. Revenues were reported at \$513,244 that represents 7% percent of the operating budget. The current expenditures totaled \$782,247, which represents 5% of the operating budget.

Mr. Slupe requested approval of the financial report.
Mr. Boozel motioned; seconded by Mr. Goldinger.
The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Slupe requested approval of the monthly check register.
Mr. Boozel motioned; seconded by Mr. Goldinger.
The motion carried unanimously.

WARDEN'S REPORT

Warden DeMore reported the following numbers, as indicated on the meeting's agenda, which reflect the current prison population:

Total: 379 inmates as of February 15, 2023
House Arrest/Electronic Monitoring: 131
Pre-Trial Supervision: 239
Drug Treatment Court: 15
Day Reporting Center: 12
Veteran's Treatment Court: 17
Behavioral Health Court: 12

Per Diem Inmates:
State: 3
Federal: 193
Other County: 5

Mr. DeMore apprised the Board of various Inmate Welfare Fund purchases.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Mercer County presented an MOU with Mercer County. Mr. DeMore discussed that this a mutual aid agreement to offer assistance, in the event of an emergency.

Mr. Slupe requested the approval of the MOU with Mercer County.
Ms. Osche motioned; seconded by Ms. Geyer.
The motion carried unanimously.

State Representative Stephanie Scialabba addressed to the Board regarding suggested changes to the Prison's policy for I.C.E. (Immigration and Customs Enforcement Agency) detainees, in an effort to remove Butler County from "sanctuary" status.

Mr. DeMore presented the revised policy and requested its adoption.

Mr. Slupe requested the approval of the revised policy.
Ms. Osche motioned; seconded by Ms. Geyer.
The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. DeMore discussed the need for an additional Administrative Assistant I, and requested approval to present the request to the Butler County Salary Board.

Mr. Slupe requested approval to authorize the Warden to present the matter before the Butler County Salary Board.

Ms. Osche motioned; seconded by Mr. Goldinger.
The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF NEW HIRES

Mr. Slupe requested approval of new hire.
Ms. Osche motioned; seconded by Mr. Boozel.
The motion carried unanimously.

CONFERENCE TIME WITH MEDIA

The minutes were suspended for conference time with the media.

PUBLIC COMMENT FOR GENERAL ITEMS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mr. Slupe asked for a motion to adjourn.

Ms. Geyer made the motion; seconded by Mr. Holland.
The meeting adjourned at 9:19 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Benjamin Holland, Secretary
Butler County Prison Board

Approved: March 14, 2023