

Camden Criminal Justice Council

Minutes from meeting on March 26, 2015

Location: Grand Jury Room, 2nd Floor of the Courthouse

Present:

Christina Turner, CCJC Coordinator

Jackie L Johnson, Chairperson

Chief Daryl Griffis, Kingsland Police Department

Chief Timothy Hatch, St. Marys Police Department

Judge Jennifer Lewis, Magistrate Court

Joy Lynn Turner, Clerk of Superior Court

Elaine Powerski, Citizen

Gary Blount, Camden County Commissioner

Joy Turner, Clerk of Superior Court

Guests:

Bryan Fewox, CCSO Network Administrator

Chuck Byerly, Chief Deputy Camden County Sheriff's Office

Rob Mastroianni, Camden County Jail Administrator

William Robinson, IT District Attorney's Office

Sandee Ortega, Victim Advocate

Katie Gropper, ADA

Mandy Mercer, LCSW

The meeting was called to order by Jackie L. Johnson, Chair person who welcomed everyone.

APPROVAL OF January 15, 2015 MINUTES

Chief Magistrate Court Judge Jennifer Lewis made a motion to approve the Minutes from the January 15, 2015 meeting. The motion was seconded by Joy Lynn Turner, Clerk of Superior Court, and the minutes were approved unanimously, with no corrections.

UPDATE ON NEW WORLD CONSOLIDATED SOFTWARE PACKAGE- Bryan Fewox

Bryan Fewox, CCSO Network Administrator, reported to the Council that they are currently in the testing phase and still on target for the go live date of July 2015.

JAIL PROTOCOL FOR INMATES-ROB MASTRIOANNI

Major Rob Mastroianni, Camden County Sheriff's Office Jail Administrator described for the Council members the protocol for inmates. Major Mastroianni explained that the arresting officer will typically make a determination at the time of arrest as to whether an inmate requires a mental evaluation. If a mental evaluation is required, the inmate must be transported to the hospital for clearance before being brought to the jail.

If mental illness of the suspect is not evident to the Officer, the Officer brings the suspect into the jail for intake. At the time of intake, the suspect is asked a specific line of questions by the booking officers. Through the questioning process if it is directly identified that there is an issue with mental illness. Once a possible mental illness is identified, the suspect is to be escorted to the hospital for further treatment and evaluation.

Major Mastroianni went on to say that currently there are between 10-15 inmates that suffer from mental illness that should not be incarcerated or who require treatment while in jail. Major Mastroianni also added that the new addition to the jail will have a padded cell for inmates who wish to harm themselves. Major Mastroianni explained that in the police academy, officers receive little training in the area of mental illness. Major Mastroianni recognizes that training is a priority and must be continual.

MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATION

Mandy Mercer with Behavioral Health, INC provided the Council with information regarding Crisis Stabilization Units within our region, Coastal Harbor Health System Savannah and contact references such as Georgia Crisis and Access Line and Department of Behavioral Health Department website

NEW BUSINESS

Next meeting was scheduled for May 28, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. to be held in the Commissioner's Meeting Room on the second floor of the Commissioner's Building.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christina Turner