



**Fayette County
Prison**

12 Court Street

Prison Board of Inspectors

- Sheriff James Custer (Chair)
- Commissioner Dave Lohr
- Commissioner Vincent A. Vicites
- Commissioner Scott Dunn
- Judge Steve Leskinen
- District Attorney Rich Bower
- Controller Scott Abraham

Minutes

Fayette County Prison Board of Inspectors
January 27, 2021 Regular Meeting

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Prison Board took place on Wednesday, January 27, 2021. It was held in the Commissioners Conference Room of the Fayette County Courthouse, as well as virtually via ZOOM.

The meeting was **Called to Order** at 9:19 am by Sheriff James Custer.

At **Roll Call**, the following members were present and constituted a quorum: Sheriff Custer, Controller Scott Abraham (virtual), Commissioner Dave Lohr, Commissioner Vince Vicites (virtual), and Commissioner Scott Dunn (virtual).

Members absent at roll call were: Judge Steve Leskinen and District Attorney Rich Bower (excused).

Also present were: County Solicitor Jack Purcell (virtual), Warden John Lenkey, Assistant Chief Adult Probation Officer Jim Kovacs, Juvenile Probation Officer Dwaine Berger (virtual), CYS Director Gina D’Auria (virtual), HR Director Cristi Spiker (virtual) and Tammy Nedrow - Chief of Staff for Commissioner Dunn (virtual). Also attending virtually were Shannon Matty, Kevin Locke and Herald Standard Reporter.

Sheriff Custer led the **Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance.**

Public Comment on Agenda Items : None

Approval of Minutes of December 30, 2020 Regular Meeting

Moved by **Sheriff Custer** and seconded by **Commissioner Dunn** to approve the meeting minutes of the December 30, 2020 Regular Meeting.

Sheriff Custer	Aye
Controller Abraham	Aye
Commissioner Lohr	Aye
Commissioner Vicites	Aye
Commissioner Dunn	Aye

**Motion Carried
Unanimously**

5-0

Approval of January 2021 Bills

Moved by **Controller Abraham** and seconded by **Sheriff Custer** to approve January 2021 bills.

Sheriff Custer	Aye
Controller Abraham	Aye
Commissioner Lohr	Aye
Commissioner Vicites	Aye
Commissioner Dunn	Aye
Motion Carried	5-0
Unanimously	

Population Report for January

Warden Lenkey reported at present there are a total of **134** inmates, with **122** males and **12** females. **One** male inmate is currently housed outside of Fayette County at Washington County, being Court Ordered.

Update on Maintenance Repair

Warden Lenkey provided the report as attached. He reported that the maintenance staff has been doing general maintenance (lights, plumbing, etc.), no big projects.

Intermediate Punishment Program Report

Officer Jim Kovacs of Adult Probation reviewed his report as attached. For the month of December, there were a total of 259 active offenders on probation, resulting in 6,631 incarceration days saved. There were 67 electronic monitoring (EM) installations, and 18 disconnects.

Mr. Kovacs also noted that the invoice for Restrictive Intermediate Punishment treatment for the month of December 2020 was \$3,542.40 paid to the Fayette County Drug and Alcohol Commission. Medical Assistance paid a sum of \$1,410.00.

Juvenile Probation

Officer Dwaine Berger attended his first meeting. He reported that the office has been utilizing Aspire for housing with no problems to report.

Courts

No report given in the absence of Judge Leskinen.

CYS

Director Gina D’Auria had nothing to report. She and Warden Lenkey will discuss the continuation of telecommunications and the return of live communication for the future.

Personnel

Moved by **Commissioner Lohr** and seconded by **Controller Abraham** to hire five (to be determined) Part-Time Corrections Officers, starting rate of \$16.40 an hour. Interviews and the hiring process will occur in February.

Sheriff Custer	Aye
Controller Abraham	Aye
Commissioner Lohr	Aye
Commissioner Vicites	Aye
Commissioner Dunn	Aye
Motion Carried	5-0
Unanimously	

Moved by **Commissioner Lohr** and seconded by **Commissioner Dunn** to terminate Part-Time Corrections Officer Jesse Parker effective January 4, 2021.

Sheriff Custer	Aye
Controller Abraham	Aye
Commissioner Lohr	Aye
Commissioner Vicites	Aye
Commissioner Dunn	Aye
Motion Carried	5-0
Unanimously	

Moved by **Commissioner Lohr** and seconded by **Commissioner Dunn** to terminate Part-Time Corrections Officer Tammi Frey effective January 18, 2021.

Sheriff Custer	Aye
Controller Abraham	Aye
Commissioner Lohr	Aye
Commissioner Vicites	Aye
Commissioner Dunn	Aye
Motion Carried	5-0
Unanimously	

Moved by **Commissioner Lohr** and seconded by **Commissioner Dunn** to terminate Part-Time Corrections Officer Jerel Coles effective January 22, 2021.

Sheriff Custer	Aye
Controller Abraham	Aye
Commissioner Lohr	Aye
Commissioner Vicites	Aye
Commissioner Dunn	Aye
Motion Carried	5-0
Unanimously	

Executive Session

Sheriff Custer moved to enter into Executive Session at 9:31 a.m. to discuss personnel matters; seconded by **Commissioner Lohr** . (Prison Board Members, Lenkey, & Purcell)

Sheriff Custer	Aye
Controller Abraham	Aye
Commissioner Lohr	Aye
Commissioner Vicites	Aye
Commissioner Dunn	Aye
Motion Carried	5-0
Unanimously	

Moved by **Sheriff Custer** and seconded by **Commissioner Lohr** to leave Executive Session at 10:28 a.m. and return to the Regular Meeting. Sheriff Custer reported that Commissioner Vicites left the meeting during Executive Session at 10:05 for an appointment and further reported that 3 personnel issues were discussed during Executive Session with no action being taken on two of the issues by the Board.

Sheriff Custer	Aye
Controller Abraham	Aye
Commissioner Lohr	Aye
Commissioner Dunn	Aye
Motion Carried	4-0
Unanimously	

Personnel (Continued)

Moved by **Commissioner Lohr** and seconded by **Sheriff Custer** to terminate Sergeant Logan Spike effective January 27, 2021.

Sheriff Custer	Aye
Controller Abraham	Aye
Commissioner Lohr	Aye
Commissioner Dunn	Aye
Motion Carried	4-0
Unanimously	

Public Comment :

Kevin Locke - Thanked the Board for their continued efforts and inquired as to when the prison employees can expect to receive the COVID vaccine, being they are classified as Group 1B. Commissioners Lohr and Dunn addressed this and responded that two avenues are being explored

by the Vaccine Task Force and the County; right now it is dependent on the vaccine supply shortage.

New/Old Business

Moved by **Sheriff Custer** and seconded by **Commissioner Lohr** that the Prison Board continue meeting on the last Wednesday of every month during 2021 with a starting time of 9:15 a.m.

Sheriff Custer	Aye
Controller Abraham	Aye
Commissioner Lohr	Aye
Commissioner Dunn	Aye
Motion Carried	4-0
Unanimously	

Adjournment

Moved by **Sheriff Custer** and seconded by **Commissioner Lohr** to adjourn meeting.

Sheriff Custer	Aye
Controller Abraham	Aye
Commissioner Lohr	Aye
Commissioner Dunn	Aye
Motion Carried	4-0
Unanimously	

Meeting adjourned **at 10:36** am.

Respectfully Submitted by Tammy Nedrow, Chief of Staff to Commissioner Dunn