

JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

Friday, December 1, 2017

PRESENT: M. Walters, G. Glasper, C. Dutton, M. Parkinson

ABSENT: P. Chapman, J. Goggin, L. Dalton

OTHERS: J. Volkmar, J. Wiesahan, M. Von Nida, D. Burch, J. Connor, T. Gibbons, B. Cooper,
Judge Hylla, J. Rekowski

Ms. Glasper moved, seconded by Mr. Parkinson, to approve the November meeting minutes.
MOTION CARRIED.

SHERIFF:

J. Connor handed out the monthly report to the committee. The number of inmates as of today was 280. He also added that they will be hiring a deputy and jailer next week.

DETENTION HOME:

J. Volkmar handed out the monthly report to the committee. The number of kids as of today was 20.

PROBATION:

J. Wiesahan reported that there are two job postings for the department that will be closing today and will be filling the positions next week.

PUBLIC DEFENDER:

J. Rekowski reported that he will be hiring as well soon for the department. He added hopefully with the New Year they can finish the trial office at the CJC.

CIRCUIT CLERK:

M. Von Nida reported that the department has received a full time custodian from the facilities department. He also added that today marks the full transition of e filing on the civil side. All civil cases are mandated to be electronically filed.

CIRCUIT COURT:

Judge Hylla reported that today is the official day that pro se litigates will have to e file. He reported that the courts had a successful adoption day. It was the biggest in the state of Illinois and 2nd biggest in the country with 45 adoptions that day. Judge Hylla reported that the courts will be getting a therapy dog. The dog will be starting in the cases where children are involved and eventually move to other courts. Judge briefly spoke on the drug court and told the committee he will have Judge Napp here next month to speak more on it.

STATES ATTORNEY:

T. Gibbons thanked and commended the committee on the recent committee meeting that was held in regard to the opioid epidemic. He also will soon be hiring an individual for the grant position. That position is a prosecutor on higher level drug cases. T. Gibbons commended Judge Schuette for getting the therapy dog program started in Madison County.

Mr. Parkinson moved, seconded by Ms. Dutton, to approve the bills for the month. The ayes and nays being called on the motion to approve resulted in a vote as follows: AYES: Glasper, Dutton, Parkinson and Walters. NAYS: None.

Ms. Glasper moved, seconded by Mr. Parkinson, to adjourn the meeting. **MOTION CARRIED.**

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