

Law and Justice Council of Thurston County Thurston County Courthouse Building 1 Room 280 Minutes Thursday July 25, 2019

Welcome and Introduction – Patrick O'Connor called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm. Welcome and introductions were made and a sign in sheet is on record.

The minutes from the April 18, 2019 meeting were approved.

<u>Update Charter:</u> Changes to the Charter were approved by the Board of County Commissioners on June 11, 2019. Copies were provided to the Council and it is posted to the Law and Justice Council Web page.

<u>Proposed Language to solicit 2 community-based members:</u> Solicitation to obtain two community-based members were posted to the Law and Justice Web page. Draft language was presented to the Council. There was discussion about the wording of the announcement and how it did not align with the language in the Charter. The Council requested changes to the wording so that is aligned with the Charter.

Pretrial Services Update: Patrick O'Connor introduced Marianne Clear, Pretrial Services Director, and newly voting council member. Marianne provided an update on the Arnold Ventures grant. The Arnold Ventures grant was recently awarded to Thurston County as a resource action site. Stakeholders involved will participate in a five-year project to help implement a new risk assessment tool. The Arnold Ventures grant is not a monetary grant, it is a technical services grant. Marianne provided an update on the new Pretrial Services Diversion Officer. She hired a talented young woman from Pierce County, and they are in the phase of training on needs assessments and agreed orders to sign.

<u>Introduction of Opioid Response Coordinator:</u> Patrick O'Connor introduced the new Thurston County Public Health Opioid Response Coordinator, Katie Strozyk. Katie provided an update on what she has been doing since she started. She explained that she has been spending some time with big community partners and she is looking to meet with other agencies to identify gaps, tools and resources for a coordinated effort.

<u>Individual Council Member Updates:</u> Patrick O'Connor led a discussion asking the Council to provide individual member updates. Each member in attendance provided an update:

Under the Good of the Order:

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 pm.

Please note: All minutes & materials from the Law and Justice Council meetings can be found online: https://www.thurstoncountywa.gov/bocc/Pages/law-and-justice.aspx