



Blount County Government

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Meeting Minutes

CARES Committee

Judge William R. Brewer, Jr.
Commissioner Nick Bright
Deputy Chief Chris Cantrell
Commissioner Richard Carver
Committee Member Thomas Cole
Chief Deputy Jeff French
Commissioner John Giles
Judge Tammy Harrington
Committee Member Chris Hurley
Committee Member Tammy Lynn, LCSW
Commissioner Tom Stinnett
Commissioner Linda Webb
Committee Member Jerry Vagnier

Tuesday, October 22, 2024

5:30 PM

Blount County Courthouse, Room 430

Live stream via <https://zoom.us/join>

Zoom Meeting ID: 812 8291 6937

A. ROLL CALL

Present 7 - Commissioner Nick Bright, Deputy Chief Chris Cantrell, Commissioner Richard Carver, Commissioner John Giles, Committee Member Tammy Lynn, Commissioner Tom Stinnett, and Committee Member Jerry Vagnier

Absent 6 - Judge William R. Brewer, Committee Member Thomas Cole, Chief Deputy Jeff French, Judge Tammy Harrington, Committee Member Chris Hurley, and Commissioner Linda Webb

B. PUBLIC INPUT ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[APRIL 23, 2024 MINUTES](#)

Title: APRIL 23, 2024 MINUTES

Commissioner Giles made a motion, Commissioner Carver seconded, to approve the April Minutes. The Chair called for a vote, and the minutes were approved.

D. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. DATA REVIEW

[Jail Stats as of Oct. 2024](#)

Title: Jail Stats as of Oct. 2024

Chief Cantrell discussed the factors affecting population.

[Recovery Court Stats](#)

Title: Recovery Court Stats

2. REENTRY PROGRAM DESCRIPTION AND UPDATE (ELLIS)

Mark Ellis - new Reentry position - gave an update and overview of the programs offered in the jail, and the positive outcomes of those programs.

3. MCNABB CENTER UPDATE ON WOMEN'S "JAIL TO WORK" PROGRAM (S. DOW)

Shannon Dow expressed that there's been a 93% success rate with this program.

4. MCNABB CENTER UPDATE ON TRANSITION CAMPUS PROGRESS (S. DOW)

Shannon Dow detailed that there would be 6 facilities on this site (contractor has been selected), with ground breaking to begin in November, and to be completed by July, 2025.

4 recovery houses - 32 beds (3 houses male / 1 house female)

1 residential reentry house (more severe cases) - 18 beds (men only)

1 substance use recovery house - 16 beds (8 male / 8 female)

E. NEXT STEPS

Field trip to building site

F. ADJOURN