## Washington County Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee Agenda Thursday, September 28, 2023 12:00p.m. – Quorum Court Room

- I. Call to Order Matt Durrett
- II. Approval of Minutes
- III. Programs Subcommittee Judge Beaumont
- IV. Pre-Trial Services Report Matt Durrett
  Discussion of Pre-Trial Services Proposal Judge Beaumont
- V. Additional Business Nick Robbins
- VI. Public Comment
- VII. Adjournment

Next Meeting – Thursday, October 26, 2023 12:00p.m.

## August 24, 2023 CJCC Meeting

The meeting was called to order. Judge Stephenson gave an update on the plans for a Mental Health Court. She stated that she was planning to put together a policies and procedures manual. Judge Beaumont stated that she had a manual for Drug Court that she could use as a model. Judge Stephenson said that she had been working with Dr. Russell on a possible grant to fund a Mental Health Court. The county will find out in October if the county will get the grant.

Matt Durrett spoke about pre-trial services. He and Leana are planning to reach out to a contact provided to them about potential funding. He also spoke about what all was envisioned. Judge Beaumont said that she had 3 peer recovery specialists in Drug Court and had requested 3 more. Durrett also spoke about the need for case managers/supervisors. He spoke about a screening process at the jail for participants. The need for community partners was also brought up for mental health, substance abuse, job training, housing solutions, and others. Nick Robbins spoke about the potential screening process. The need for individuals to handle that would be important, since on average, it takes ten minutes for each screening.

Sheriff Cantrell spoke about the ankle monitor program. He said that they are expanding the criteria for participation in the program. They are reducing the look-back period on prior violent offenses and Failures to Appear. They are also permitting monitors for detainees residing in neighboring counties.

Mike Parker spoke of the reduction of 90-day parole violators down to 45 days. There was discussion of beds opening up at the Department of Correction and the director's goal of transporting inmates within 72 hours of commitment to the ADC.

Judge Stephenson stated her belief that, since she was never formally appointed to the CJCC, it was no longer appropriate for her to sit with the committee in meetings. She said that she will still remain active, but will do so from the audience.

Sarah Moore, Hailey Hall, Billy Cook, Ann Harbison, Jon Comstock and Beth Coger all spoke during the public comment period. The next meeting is set for September 28<sup>th</sup> at noon.

The meeting was adjourned.