

**TOWN OF SOMERS
PRISON LIAISON/PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, April 20, 2011
7:30 p.m.
Downstairs Town Hall Conference Room**

MINUTES

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER by Chairman Robert Minch at 7:33 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Robert Minch, Raymond LaFlamme, Jerry Young, Ned Lynch, Charles Colby, Ned McCormick substituting for Osborn CI Warden Carol Chapdelaine, Northern CI Warden Angel Quiros, Willard /Cybulski CI Warden Esther Torres.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Anthony Liquori, District Administrator Michael Lajoie, Lincoln Pease.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Motion to accept the minutes of the January 19, 2011 meeting was carried. (Torres/Young)

OLD BUSINESS:

- Warden Torres reported that the new sign for Willard is now in place.
- Ned Lynch reported that his cell phone issue has been resolved and that he is now receiving the scheduled DOC notifications.
- Charles Colby asked if there is going to be any repair work done on Billings Road. Although the road is the responsibility of the Town of Enfield, Charlie felt that if the request for maintenance came from the DOC that it would stand a better chance of being done. Esther Torres agreed to check into it.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Chairman Minch inquired about what impact the closing of the level 2 Gates Correctional facility would have on the other CI facilities in the state. Warden Quiros felt confident that due to the declining inmate population over the last couple of years, that the other correctional institutions would not have a problem absorbing the Gates population.
- Several committee members reported receiving a recorded phone message from Osborn stating that the facility was now secure and returning to normal operations. The committee members were confused, since there was never a preceding message indicating that Osborn was not secure. Ned McCormick agreed to check into the phone message.
- **Review of Significant Incidents or Policy Changes in Prisons**
 - Osborn CI: Ned McCormick reported that a fire drill was conducted on March 16th involving both the Northern and Osborn facilities. A simulated fire at Osborn resulted in five different fire districts, including Somers, responding to the scene. The simulation was successful as well as educational.

- Northern CI: Angel Quiros reported that all was quiet at Northern.

Willard/Cybulski: Esther Torres reported an inmate on inmate assault that resulted in the death of one of the inmates. The surviving inmate was transferred to Northern.

The Community Detail from Willard has completed replacing the Gazebo roof on Field Road. This project took eighteen business days in total.

The Community Detail also assisted town crews this winter in snow removal.

BED COUNT:

Facility	Bed Count	Increase/Decrease	Maximum Capacity
Willard Cybulski CI	1163	+11	1104
Northern CI	372	+8	586
Osborn CI	1945	+42	None set
TOTALS	3480	+61	

AUDIENCE COMMENTS: None

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 8:04. (Colby/Quiros)

Respectfully submitted,

Raymond J. LaFlamme, Recording Secretary
Town of Somers

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