

Chaves County DWI Planning Council

MINUTES

June 20, 2006

Voting Members:

Chief Deputy Rob Coon
Mike Gallagher
Captain Oscar Gonzales
Chief Cass Mason

Chaves County Sheriffs Department
Chaves County Juvenile Detention Center
New Mexico State Police
Hagerman Police

Other Members Present:

John Halvorson
Lisa Federico
Delores Duran
Mary Colby

DWI Coordinator
DWI Assistant
Roswell Refuge
CASA

Proxy Votes:

Judge Robert B. Corn
Gene DelosSantos
Jerry Doshier

Magistrate Judge
Dexter Police Dept.
Roswell Police Dept.

Guests:

Scott Weaver
Stephen Kovach

New Mexico State Police
District Attorney

Quorum Present

Sign in Sheet

A motion was made by Cass Mason and second by Mike Gallagher to amend and approve the Agenda for August 22nd, 2006.

A motion was made by Mike Gallagher and second by Cass Mason to approve Minutes for June 20, 2006.

DWI Brochure is completed. Printed 2500 copies and are being distributed around the city.

Law Enforcement was discussed in May's meeting and no final decision has been made. Cass Mason wanted this item added to the agenda. In April DFA allowed each county to pay law enforcement overtime for Court. In May's meeting a suggestion was made that maybe a DWI officer should be hired to handle only DWI's. No final decision was made.

Cass Mason said nothing has been done with the money allocated for law enforcement. If decided to keep each agencies with their monies than it might be too late to expend all the monies by the deadline. DWI planning council cannot afford to pay 18K on salary.

Captain Gonzalez recommends creating a committee to research and see if it is a feasible option for this county. Recommendation is to keep law enforcement contracts as they are. And research to see if hiring or designating an officer will be feasible. A committee was formed by Scott Weaver, Rob Coon, Sgt Delos Santos and Cass Mason they will research this project and see if this can become effective next fiscal year.

Scott Weaver recommended each weekend alternate with one of the agencies to designate one officer and have him take care of DWI's.

A motion was made by Oscar Gonzales to keep the contract for all agencies RPD, SO, Lake Arthur, Hagerman and Dexter as is and second by Mike Gallagher.

Conflict with Bernalillo County they are asking for more money for detox program. All counties are arguing that it is not fair to take money from smaller counties to give to county with a large budget. John Halvorson will keep planning council updated.

A motion was made by Judge Robert B. Corn to approve the 4th Quarter report and second by Captain Oscar Gonzales.

1st DWI Dismissal in Chaves County because of the Day case. Officers should articulate more into detail, observations made on DWI arrests. Stephen Kovach will conduct a legal class in the Sheriff's Training room.

A motion was made by Mike Gallagher to replace Danny Eaker with Harry Tackett and David Delos Santos with Rob Smith and second by Judge Robert B. Corn.

Fatal Vision presentation was postponed for next month.

Adjourn