

**TOWN OF SOMERS
PRISON LIAISON/PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, April 17, 2013
7:30 p.m.
Downstairs Town Hall Conference Room**

MINUTES

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER by Chairman Raymond LaFlamme at 7:32 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Warden Carol Chapdelaine (Osborn CI), Charles Colby, Tom Clark, Lincoln Pease, Raymond LaFlamme, Jerry Young, Warden Ed Maldonado (Northern CI), Robert Minch, Warden John Tarascio (Willard /Cybulski CI).

MEMBERS ABSENT: Marie Leonard, Ned Lynch, District Administrator Angel Quiroz and Gail Hoff.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Motion to accept the minutes of the January 16, 2013 meeting.
(Chapdelaine/Maldonado)

PRISON LIASON COMMITTEE BOARD MEMBER CHANGES: Chairman LaFlamme announced that Gail Hoff will be moving out of Somers and therefore will no longer be a member of our committee. We thanks Gail for her service to the town and wish her and her family all the best.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Captain Joseph Carlone from the DOC gave the committee a comprehensive overview of how Ct.Alert works. All residents of the state can be notified of impending problems via their land line without having to be signed up for Ct. Alert. Those who sign up for Ct. Alert can be notified of local and regional problems via their land line or cell phone. It was noted that when choosing a method or methods of notification, it is necessary to check the box associated with the number being requested for notification. If there are any other questions concerning Ct. Alert, Captain Carlone can be contacted directly. Chairman LaFlamme has his number. It was also mentioned that the notification that went out from Osborne in a two mile radius of the prison last January, was received successfully by those who had signed up to Ct. Alert.
- The burned out lights on Bilton Road were promptly repaired after our January meeting.
- Warden Chapdelaine reported that the February 13th Open-House at Osborne went well.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Chairman LaFlamme asked if there have been any changes to the DOC Early Release Program. Warden Tarascio responded that no significant changes have been made.

- Due to Gail Hoff's resignation, there is a vacancy on the committee. If any member is aware of a Somers resident who is interested in serving on the committee, he/she should get in touch with Chairman LaFlamme.
- Warden Tarascio announced that Willard/Cybulski CI will be conducting an Open-House on May 15th. Anyone interested in attending should contact chairman LaFlamme.
- It was also announced that the DOC will be conducting a national search to replace Commissioner Arnone, who retired recently.

Review of Significant Incidents or Policy Changes in Prisons:

- **Osborn CI:** Warden Chapdelaine reported that Osborne is presently under going an asbestos abatement project in one of their hospitals.
- **Northern CI:** Warden Maldonado reported that Northern's inmate population is continuing to drop. Presently, there are four units closed while only two units remain open.
- **Willard/Cybulski CI:** Warden John Tarascio reported that an inmate detail completed a project for the State Trooper's Office and shared pictures of the completed work with the committee. Warden Tarascio also expressed his expectation of a bumper crop of produce to be harvested from the fields surrounding Willard/Cybulski CI. John said that any excess produce not consumed by the DOC will be offered to any community organization in need of said produce. Charles Colby will coordinate with warden Tarascio and the Town of Somers in that effort.

BED COUNT:

Facility	Bed Count	Increase/Decrease	Maximum Capacity
Willard / Cybulski CI	1160	83	1080
Northern CI	81	-145	586
Osborn CI	2057	+48	None set
TOTALS	3298	-14	

AUDIENCE COMMENTS: None

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 7:55. (Colby/Chapdelaine)

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen LaFlamme (substituting for Marie T. Leonard, Recording Secretary)
Town of Somers

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