

Meeting Minutes, October 19, 2007

Missoula County Marijuana Community Oversight Committee

The meeting was held at the Public Library, boardroom and was convened at approximately 10:10 a.m.

Members in attendance: Michael Bailey, Angela Goodhope, John Masterson, Steve Lohning, Steve Zellmer, Steve Lohning, and Donna Hamilton

Members absent: John Kneedler, Charles Tiernan, Craig Shannon

County Government Employees participating: 0

KNOWN PRESS: 1, Missoulian reporter

Order of events:

Minutes from September 14, 2007 meeting were approved via consensus nod by committee.

OLD BUSINESS-

Parole/probation data- Steve Lohning suggested a letter from a lawyer. Dave McCarthy (damccarthy@mt.gov) Masterson will follow-up. We as the committee want to give the DOC opportunity to respond and participate in the report.

Public Relations sub-committee report: successful in getting the word out about the today's meeting. Gearing up to promote report and grievance procedure.

County Attorney's policy for marijuana incidents- received and committee agrees that this is substantial compliance.

REPORT-

Timeline for report is agreed upon. Committee members are asked to respond to some questions by 10-26-07.

***October 26th** Committee members asked to have responses and provide all desired feedback for inclusion in draft report to Committee Chair by Friday the 26th.

***November 1st**. A DRAFT of the report will be available for review by Nov. 1.

***November 2nd**. Tentative meeting for November 2 to discuss draft report and committee members' response if necessary. ***November 9th**. Final report to County Commission by November 9th.

***November 14th**. Presentation and discussion of report at November 14th Commissioners' weekly mtg.

NEW BUSINESS-

Open discussion- Committee discusses the various entities in the Community that have something to do with the cost of marijuana offenses. For example, foster care when children are removed from the home; CPS. Also, how to track if someone is sent to prison as a probation violation as a result of failing a UA, etc. Agreed that inclusion of this in the report is important.

Committee wants to ask for a small budget to fund the committee for the following fiscal year. How to do this? Amount to ask for?

Public Comment

Meeting adjourned