

Grafton County Executive Committee Jail Sub-Committee

Minutes 2/24/2012

Present: Rep. Almy, Rep. Sova, Rep. Ladd, Rep. Smith

Rep. Almy presented and committee reviewed spreadsheet which compares costs of medical and kitchen for Grafton & Cheshire Correctional Centers. Discrepancies show up often because line items are not listed under the same categories. For example, Cheshire County lists medical supplies (drugs and supplies – tourniquets). Grafton County under Inmate medical bills lists all medical and pharmacy supplies and expenses for when inmates are sent to hospital.

Full time medical (Cheshire) is dental and 2 LPNs. Grafton this category is a number of part-time nurses. Cheshire lists nurses under medical contractors. Grafton that category is one contracted MD.

Rep. Almy explained how she worked the numbers in comparing the estimated costs of both the Cheshire and Grafton County correctional facilities based on their 2012 budgets.

Rep. Ladd stated that when this subcommittee presents our findings to the Executive Committee, it is important that we have good numbers – complete numbers for the food service area (similar to what we see for medical) According to the comparison which Rep. Almy put together, GC is spending less per year per inmate on food service. But, again, we are looking at budgets and not actual costs. It will facilitate working on the 2013 budget if we can show the difference between contracting out food service and doing it as it is planned.

Rep. Ladd will email Superintendent Libby and Rep. Smith will follow up with a phone call next week.

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Suzanne Smith