

GRAFTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING  
3855 Dartmouth College Highway  
North Haverhill, NH 03774  
May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2017

PRESENT: Commissioners Lauer, Ahern and Piper. County Administrator Libby and Admin Assistant S. Norcross.

OTHERS PRESENT: Superintendent Tom Elliott and Alternative Sentencing Director Bill Gilding.

Commissioner Lauer called the meeting to order at 9:00am and began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Supt. Elliott arrived and gave the following report:

**May 23, 2017**

**Commissioners Report**

<b>1. Population:</b>	<b>In House: 77</b>	<b>F Unit: 22</b>
		<b>E Unit: 13</b>
		<b>D Unit: 22</b>
		<b>C Unit: 14</b>
		<b>Intake: 6</b>

**Out of Facility: 28**

**2. Community Corrections Report:**

- a) **Electronic Monitoring:** Supervising (4)
- b) **Daily Work Release:** Supervising (0)

**c) Operation Impact:**

Sgt. Larson conducted presentations at Woodsville Elementary, Indian River School, Linwood, Lisbon and supervised a Jail tour/OPI presentation to Hanover High.

**d) Community Work Program:**

Sgt. Griffin supervised work crews at Bath covered bridge, Ammonoosuc building, Route 10 roadside cleanup, Lebanon landfill, French pond road roadside cleanup, Church of the Nazarene, Route 135 roadside cleanup, Holderness Trinity and Woodsville Rail Park.

**General:**

- a) Officer Promotion – Supt. Elliott stated that Sgt. Webster retired on April 28<sup>th</sup> and Officer Griffin has been promoted to Sgt. He stated that this should be a seamless transition as Sgt. Griffin has been training alongside Sgt. Webster for nine (9) months.
- b) Drug sweep of facility – Supt. Elliott stated that they performed a drug sweep of the building and had drug sniffing dogs come into the building. He stated that he was happy to report that no drugs were found.
- c) National Correctional Officer week – Supt. Elliot stated that each of the correctional officers received a hot cup with the DoC logo on it as well as a letter of appreciation from him.
- d) Request for nonpublic session pursuant to RSA 91-A: 3 II (a) (c)

\*9:06 AM - Commissioner Ahern moved to enter into non-public session for the purposes of discussing the dismissal, promotion, or compensation of any public employee or the disciplining of such employee according to RSA 91-A:3, II (a) and matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of the public body itself, unless such person requests an open meeting. This exemption shall extend to any application for assistance or tax abatement or waiver of a fee, fine, or other levy, if based on inability to pay or poverty of the applicant according to RSA 91-A:3, II (c) Commissioner Piper seconded the motion. This motion requires a roll call vote, Commissioner Lauer called the roll. Commissioner Lauer “yes”; Commissioner Ahern “yes” Commissioner Piper “yes”. Commissioner Lauer stated that a majority of the board voted “yes” and would now go into non-public session.

\*9:07 AM Commissioner Lauer declared the meeting back in public session.

Commissioner Ahern moved to permanently seal the minutes from the just completed non-public session that they could affect the reputation of someone other than those of the Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Lauer seconded the motion and all were in favor.

- e) Request from Belknap Corrections - Supt. Elliott stated that each year during Laconia Bike Week, Belknap County Department of Corrections sends inmates throughout the state to the various Department of Corrections to clear out their building for the incoming people during that week. They send the inmates with all medications and what they need. Supt. Elliott stated that they do not charge the per diem rate. No other county charges them; it is done to help them out. He stated that he has offered ten (10) beds for that nine (9) – ten (10) day period.

Commissioner Ahern moved to offer up to twelve (12) beds for Belknap County during Laconia Bike Week. Commissioner Piper seconded the motion and all were in favor.

- f) Crossroads graduation reminder - Supt. Elliott stated that the Crossroads graduation will be held next Tuesday night.

Commissioner Lauer asked if everyone had a chance to read the minutes from the May 16<sup>th</sup> meeting. Commissioner Ahern had a couple of edits.

Commissioner Ahern moved to approve the minutes from the May 16<sup>th</sup> meeting as amended. Commissioner Piper seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Alternative Sentencing Director Gilding arrived and gave the following report: (\*see attached)

AS Director Gilding stated that he has some unfortunate news about the Veterans Court. He stated that the judges who are involved have met to go over the court cases and what will be available. He stated that they were given two (2) options. The first was to limit the number of mental health cases for Lebanon Court down to five (5) and are only going to allow ten (10) cases total. If the county were to go forward with the Veteran's Court they were going to cut back on the Mental Health Court. AS Director Gilding stated that they need to put the Veterans track on hold because there is such a demand for the Mental Health Court at this time. He stated that as veterans cases come in they will integrate those cases into the Mental Health Court. With Felonies First any veteran that is convicted of a felony will come into Drug Court and they will treat them in a separate track but keep them in the same program. ASD Gilding stated that he will be working with the Veterans Administration to help these veterans. He went on to further discuss the details of the issue with the Commissioners and answered various questions. Commissioner Ahern suggested reaching out to Representative Binford. He explained that Rep. Binford served in two (2) branches of the military and has just set up a nonprofit called Warriors to Warriors. He has a lot of insights on these issues and thinks he would be a good resource moving forward. Commissioner Ahern also suggested reaching out to Sgt. Larson at the Department of Corrections as he runs the Operation Impact program and reaches out to young children throughout the county.

The Commissioners signed check registers 67; 1185-1189.

CA Libby submitted the White Mountain Forest Patrol Contract – Sheriff's Dept. for Commissioner Lauer to sign. She stated that the contract is for \$9,000 and is for the Sheriff to provide patrol services in the White Mountain National Forest areas in Grafton County. Commissioner Ahern asked if this was the same amount that received last year. She stated that it was.

The Commissioners opened Grant Administrator RFP's for the NH Alliance of RDC's Technical Assistance Grant. One (1) RFP was received and it was as follows:

Pat Garvin - \$5000

CA Libby stated that Pat Garvin had been the Administrator on the previous 2 two grants and has done a good job for the County. She would recommend accepting the proposal from her.

Commissioner Ahern moved to accept Pat Garvin's proposal of \$5,000 to administer the NH Alliance. Commissioner Piper seconded the motion and all were in favor.

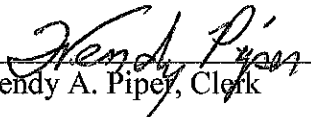
CA Libby asked the Commissioners if they would like to meet in the afternoon next Tuesday May 30<sup>th</sup> because they have the Crossroads Graduation later that evening at the Department of Corrections. The Commissioners discussed it and agreed to start the meeting at 2:00 on May 30<sup>th</sup>.

Commissioner Issues:

Commissioner Ahern attended the Bristol Board of Selectmen meeting and found it to be very interesting and informative.

Commissioner Lauer stated that the Franconia Area Businessmen have asked her to come meet with them regarding northern pass issues.

9:56 AM With no further business the meeting adjourned

  
Wendy A. Pipey, Clerk



## **GRAFTON COUNTY ALTERNATIVE SENTENCING**

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### **Alternative Sentencing Programs Commissioners Report May 2017**

#### **Monthly Drug Court Report May 2017**

**Total Participants: 22**  
**Female: 18**  
**Male: 11**  
**Total Prospective Clients on List: 11**  
**Total Clients Terminated: 1**  
**Total Clients Incarcerated: 2**

#### **Monthly Mental Health Court Report May 2017**

**Total MHC Participants: 37**  
**Total Veterans Participants: 3**  
**Total Prospective Clients on List: 7**  
**Total Participants Unsuccessfully Discharged: 0**  
**Lebanon MHC Veteran Docket Participants: 0**  
**Veterans Being Assessed for Docket: 8**  
**Participant Graduations: 2**

**Monthly Juvenile Restorative Justice Report May 2017**

**Total New Participants for CADY: 4**  
**Total Participants for CADY: 11**  
**Total New Participants for GCJRJP: 0**  
**Total Participants for GCJRJP: 8**  
**Total New Participants for VCDP: 4**  
**Total Participants for VCDP: 13**

**Monthly Adult Diversion Report May 2017**

**Total Participants: 19**  
**Female: 7**  
**Male: 12**  
**Total Prospective Clients on List: 11**  
**Number of Intakes Completed: 2**



## Grafton County Drug Court Sentencing Program

May 23, 2017

### Mission Statement

GCDCSP (Grafton County Drug Court Sentencing Program). The mission of the Grafton County Drug Court Sentencing Program is to improve community safety; decrease financial costs currently incurred by the criminal justice system; and assist non-violent criminal offenders in breaking the cycle of crime and addiction. The program participant are judicially supervised with frequent court appearances, random drug testing, community supervision and the utilization of evidence based treatment practices to address and transform the participant into healthy, productive, law-abiding citizens.

### Program Statistics

Since its conception in 2007, **131 participants** have entered the GCDCSP.

**60** participants have graduated.

**42** Participants have been terminated.

#### **Male Participants Program Statistics:**

Total Admitted: 82

Completed: 42

Terminated: 23

Administratively Discharged: 2

Currently enrolled: 11

Absconded: 4

#### **Female Participants Program Statistics:**

Total Admitted: 49

Completed: 18

Currently Enrolled: 11

Administratively Discharged: 1

Terminated: 19

**Currently actively enrolled: 22**

**\*Last new participant entered the program on 4/20/17.**

**\*11 Prospective Participants on the list.**

**\* Two participants incarcerated for sanctions in the last 30 days:**

**\*2- male –re-occurrence & 0 female re-occurrence**

**Drug Court News and Events:**

The Grafton County Drug Court Program continues to actively work on updating participant's handbooks, policies and procedures, phase structures and protocols to meet the compliance with Evidence Based Practices.

Coordinator Jenn Stone participated in and received her certification in NADCP Coordinator training in Reno, Nevada in March. Deputy Sherriff, Aaron Roberts participated in and received certification in NADCP Community Supervision training in Reno, Nevada in May. All ten Grafton County Drug Treatment Court Team members attend a NADCP Tune Up training on May 15 & 16.





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**Total MHC Participants: 37**

**Total Veteran Participants: 3/Plymouth**

**Total Veterans being Assessed for MHC: 8**

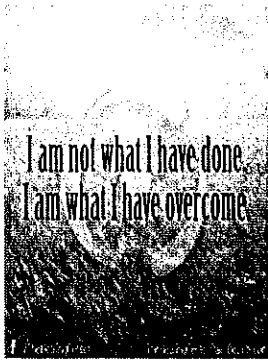
**Total MHC Applications Pending: 7**

**Total Participants Unsuccessfully Discharged: 0**

**Participant Graduations: 2**

Grafton County Mental Health Court and county stakeholders have been working on the planning and implementation of a county-wide misdemeanor Veterans Track located out of the Lebanon Circuit Court, under the Lebanon Mental Health Court Program, Halls of Hope. As we were just about to implement this Track and accept the first veteran participant, we were told by the state that the Lebanon Circuit Court does not have enough time to serve more than ten participants total in any Grafton County Alternative Sentencing Program. We currently have twelve Mental Health Court participants in the Lebanon Program, so we may be looking at a wait list for this Program alone. This situation does not allow us to open the county-wide Circuit Court Veterans Track in Lebanon. We are currently working with three veteran participants in the Plymouth Mental Health Court, and we have eight other veteran referrals that we will serve through the three existing Grafton County Mental Health Court Programs. Mental Health Court and veteran stakeholders will continue to meet and find solutions that will allow us to provide treatment through alternative sentencing in Grafton County to as many individuals as possible, for the sake of these individuals, their families, and our communities.

Mental Health Court stakeholders want to make it known that it has become increasingly difficult to find inpatient treatment for Mental Health Court participants (individuals with severe and persistent mental illness) with co-occurring substance use disorders to get accepted to inpatient treatment programs in NH. Individuals are being turned away from inpatient substance use treatment programs and told that these programs are not able to handle individuals with mental health diagnoses. Individuals are being turned away from the treatment they need even when he or she has a mental health provider stating that inpatient treatment is recommended and he or she is a good candidate for inpatient treatment for substance use disorders. These are individuals that rely on Medicaid for treatment and there are only a handful of inpatient substance use treatment inpatient programs available in NH that will serve individuals with Medicaid. These Programs are denying individuals with co-occurring mental health diagnoses or placing them on extremely long wait lists; sometimes over eight months.



## **ADULT DIVERSION PROGRAM**



**Total Participants: 19**

**Male Participants: 12**

**Female Participants: 7**

**Total Number of Prospective Participants: 11**

**Number of Intakes Completed in the Month of May: 2**

**Number of Participants in the Process of Acceptance: 1**

**Number of Participants Who Have Successfully Completed: 0**

**Number of Successful Completions to Date: 5**

# AD \$ PAID 2017

2017	Program Fees Paid	Dirty Urinalysis Fees Paid	Missed Appt. Fees Paid	Missed Class Fees Paid	Shoplifters Cours
Jan	\$125		\$20		
Feb	\$225				
Mar	\$630				
Apr	\$145	\$10	\$60		
May	\$180	\$40	\$40		
Jun					
Jul					
Aug					
Sep					
Oct					
Nov					
Dec					
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,305</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<b>120.00</b>		
Trends					



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**JUVENILE RESTORATIVE JUSTICE PROGRAM REPORT**

**May 22, 2017**

**Total New Participants for CADY: 1**

**Total Participants for CADY: 10**

**Total New Participants for GCJRJP: 0**

**Total Participants for GCJRJP: 8**

**Total New Participants for VCDP: 2**

**Total Participants for VCDP: 14**

- Grafton County Juvenile Restorative Justice Program had one successful graduation this month on May 3, 2017.
- Caitlin Reynolds attended the NH Juvenile Court Diversion Network meeting; Juvenile Restorative Justice is eligible for \$1,250 after the submission of the Outreach Planning Tool and another \$1,250 once activities are complete
- Caitlin Reynolds, Case Manager attended the following trainings:
  - Motivational Interviewing for Adolescents & Young Adults
  - Resilience for Children & Adults: Building Foundations for Emotional Well-Being & Success