



MINUTES

CUYAHOGA COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2023

CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS

C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4TH FLOOR

1:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Gallagher called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Mr. Gallagher asked Deputy Clerk Carter to call the roll. Committee members Gallagher, Conwell, Kelly and Tuma were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Committee member Simon was absent from the meeting. Councilmember Miller was also in attendance.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments given.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE SEPTEMBER 19, 2023 MEETING

A motion was made by Mr. Tuma, seconded by Ms. Conwell and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the September 19, 2023 meeting.

5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

- a) None

There were no matters referred to Committee.

6. DISCUSSION

- a) Update from County Sheriff regarding jail

Mr. Harold Pretel, Sheriff, addressed the Committee regarding staffing, recruitment strategies, job postings, food preparation, hospital details, safety patrols and narcotic detection screening relating to the County jail. Discussion ensued.

Committee members and Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Pretel pertaining to the item which he answered accordingly.

b) Update regarding Diversion Center

Ms. Brandy Carney, Director of Public Safety and Justice Services; and Ms. Crystal Bryant, Member of the Diversion Board, addressed the Committee regarding the policies, services, usage, certifications, intakes and operations relating to the Diversion Center. Discussion ensued.

Committee members and Councilmembers asked questions of Ms. Carney and Ms. Bryant pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

7. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There was no miscellaneous business.

8. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Chairman Gallagher adjourned the meeting at 2:23 p.m., without objection.