



Gallatin County DUI Task Force

DUI Task Force Purpose:

- Prevent DUI
- Reduce Alcohol-related Traffic Incidents
- Educate Public on Dangers of DUI

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday/March 18, 2015

Judge Guenther Memorial Building
County Attorney's Meeting Room

Members Present

Glen Barcus, Chair
Kelley Parker-Wathne, Coordinator
Rocky Hamilton, Vice Chair
David Keen, Treasurer
Doug Lieurance, Gallatin County Sheriff's Office
Rick Gale, ADSGC
Jerry Pape, Citizen Member
Steven Hamilton, Citizen Member
Heather Hume, Citizen Member
Adrian Massey, Citizen Member
Dan Deming, Citizen Member
Ann Ewbank, Citizen Member

Guests

Jonathon Ogden, Bozeman PD
Mark Lachapelle, MSU PD
Scott Newell, W Yellowstone PD
Steve Ette, Court Services Director

Absent

Matt Caires, Citizen Member

Chair Barcus called the Meeting to order at approximately 5:45 pm.

Vice Chair Hamilton read the Task Force Mission Statement.

Mr. Ette explained change of location for Meeting and apologized for the confusion.

INTRODUCTIONS

- Chair Barcus introduced new and returning members.
 - Reviewed membership requirements re: subcommittee involvement.
 - Mr. Massey asked where vacancies are on subcommittees and Chair Barcus said the Task Force is working on establishing new subcommittees.
- Members and guests introduced themselves.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Mr. Ette shared that according to Kevin Dusko of the MT Dept of Transportation, HB 132 passed and pending the Governor's signature, this means approximately \$18,000 of undistributed reinstatement fees that have accumulated over the years will be distributed to the Gallatin County DUI Task Force on or before July 1, 2015.
 - In the next 60 days the Task Force needs to finalize their 2016 Plan for the Commission to approve.
- Mr. Ette shared that there is still a lot of money in the CEASE Account.

CONSENT AGENDA

- Chair Barcus asked if anyone did not receive a copy of the January Meeting Minutes. Mr. Lachapelle did not. Ms. Parker-Wathne will forward a copy to him.
- Mr. Pape asked if there was going to be a permanent meeting location in the future.
 - Mr. Ette shared that there had been a snafu with scheduling tonight but that the Executive Council will discuss this.
- Mr. Gale motioned to approve the January Meeting Minutes.
 - Minutes approved.

BUSINESS

Membership

- Chair Barcus shared that Jonathon Ogden had submitted an application for membership.
- Scott Newell has not done so yet but intends to submit an application.
- Chair Barcus shared that Mark Lachapelle will need to resubmit an application.
- Chair Barcus reminded those present that membership is a 3 year commitment unless a member is filling a vacancy.

Cease Awards

- Mr. Ette explained the Vehicular Homicide Training Application that had been submitted and approved. (\$2000 invoice not yet received).
- Mr. Lachapelle clarified that the application for Overtime Hours was for special events where extra enforcement was needed.
- Mr. Ette shared that he will forward a request he recently received from Jeremy Tankink for the purpose of attending training on Impaired Driving.

- Chair Barcus asked Mr. Lachapelle what he thought would be a good number for CEASE committee membership. Mr. Lachapelle said 4 or so including Ms. Parker-Wathne.
 - Chair Barcus suggested Jerry Pape would be good to include as well.

DUI Report

- Mr. Ette reported on a follow up meeting he attended with law enforcement where much of the discussion centered on the topic of blood draws and ways to improve that process.
 - Bottom line is they aren't going to spend money to establish a DUI Processing Center at the Detention Center.
 - AMR could come and do blood draws. Also talked to the Fire Department.
 - Would the Task Force enter into agreement to help fund?
 - Mr. Lachapelle said they're comparing costs with having it done at the hospital. Chair Barcus said it's safer to do it at the jail and probably really not that much more expensive.
 - Chair Barcus suggested having costs be part of the defendant's fees and shared that it would be great if the hospital would set up law enforcement rooms.
 - Mr. Lachapelle suggested implementing a pilot program for a few months to track actual expenses/effectiveness. If we can recoup 80% through the court then that may be the way to go.
 - Chair Barcus suggested a Subcommittee may be necessary for this topic.

Coordinator Position Update

- Mr. Ette shared that Ms. Parker-Wathne will begin taking over reporting on more of the items on the Meeting Agendas in the future.
- Mr. Ette reported that he and Ms. Parker-Wathne met with the Justice Court re: statistics and Ms. Parker-Wathne will also be meeting with Municipal Court. Vice Chair Hamilton will help with gathering Manhattan and Three Forks statistics and Ms. Parker-Wathne will create an excel spreadsheet to track these numbers.
 - Mr. Gale suggested more reporting with the community and Mr. Ette said we'll do that after we have a decent product to present.
- Mr. Ette also reported that Ms. Parker-Wathne had been trained on the Eden (financial) program for the Task Force and she will begin attending finance meetings.

PI & E Committee

- Mr. Ette reported that it is important for the Task Force to begin moving on events for the year but that we are at a standstill in creating professional handouts &/or presentations until we have a logo.
 - Ms. Parker-Wathne relayed that she had a positive meeting with the graphic artist, Nicole Hom, & that Ms. Hom offered to come to the next PI&E Committee meeting to share her thoughts and concerns about the logo process from her perspective. Group agreed this would be good. Ms. Parker-Wathne will follow up with Ms. Hom.

- Mr. Pape shared that he thought it would be a great idea to publish a pamphlet for the Driver's Education programs and that he thought the Task Force should attempt to reach drivers when they are starting to drive rather than after the fact.
 - Mr. Gale said we should hit every school in the County and we need to get information to every parent and student.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, May 20, 2015 - 5:30 PM
Gallatin County Detention Center Community Room

Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:00 pm.