



# Gallatin County DUI Task Force

## DUI Task Force Purpose:

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

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## Meeting Minutes

Wednesday /September 28, 2016 – 5:30 pm

Gallatin County Detention Center Community Room

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### **Members Present**

Rocky Hamilton, Chair  
Adrian Massey, Vice-Chair  
David Keen, Treasurer  
Kelley Parker-Wathne, Coordinator  
Rick Gale, ADSGC  
Katherine Tillson, Gallatin Mental Health Center  
Ed Hirsch, City Attorney  
Matt Caires, MSU  
Heather Hume, Citizen Member  
Jonathon Ogden, Bozeman PD  
Lora Kruse, Bozeman Deaconess Hospital  
Jerry Pape, Citizen Member  
Iralene Osborne, Citizen Member  
Dan Deming, Citizen Member  
Marty Lambert, County Attorney (late)  
Frank Parrish, MSU PD  
Amber Andriolo, ADSGC

### **Guests**

Steve Ette, Court Services  
Maureen Exley  
David Morris, MHP  
Richard Gibson, Citizen - W Yellowstone  
Anthony Kearney, WY PD  
Sabrah Van Leeuwen, WY PD

### **Absent**

Scott Newell, W Yellowstone PD  
Doug Lieurance, Gallatin County Sheriff's Office  
Arlene Wylie, Citizen Member  
Steven Hamilton, Citizen Member

Task Force Chair Rocky Hamilton called the Meeting to order at approximately 5:40 pm.

## **INTRODUCTIONS**

- Members and guests introduced themselves.
- Coordinator Parker-Wathne introduced new members, Amber Andriolo and David Morris, as well as incoming member Maureen Exley.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

- July Meeting Minutes were approved.

## **BUSINESS**

### **Member Survey**

- A survey created by Coordinator Parker-Wathne and the Executive Board in re: opinions/ideas about the Task Force was distributed to and completed by volunteers.

### **Executive Committee**

- Coordinator Parker-Wathne informed the group that certain member's terms would be expiring in December and they would then need to reapply for membership.
  - She also reminded them that nominations and elections are coming up in November and January respectively.
    - Chair Hamilton announced his resignation from the Task Force effective January 1.
    - Mr. Keen said it's great for everyone to offer new ideas but that the Task Force needs active involvement to work. He said he's been on the Task Force a long time and right now it's the best it's ever been. He noted that it's finally starting to meet statutory guidelines and actually make an impact, but the current Executive Board is operating on its second term because others weren't willing to step up.
      - Chair Hamilton said he really enjoys being a member now where he used to hate it and wouldn't be stepping down if the Manhattan PD weren't reorganizing. He encouraged participation saying it is actually really fun.

## **CEASE Awards**

- Coordinator Parker-Wathne shared that the CEASE Awards Committee granted \$3000 to the Bozeman PD for the Blood Draw program and \$90 to Mr. Ogden for Drug Training.
  - Mr. Ogden thanked the Task Force for both awards and explained the Blood Draw process and value of the program to the new attendees and guests. He shared that the process is catching on in Missoula, Kalispell and other areas.
    - Mr. Gibson said this is legislation that needs to change. He stated that in California forced blood draws occur without having to obtain a search warrant because alcohol in the blood goes away over time. He believes the Task Force should concern itself with this.
      - Mr. Lambert stated that the MT Supreme Court would rule that unconstitutional.
      - Mr. Gale asserted that because it was impossible now doesn't mean it is unobtainable and as citizens he agrees we need to look at this issue.
  - Mr. Gibson suggested having a phlebotomist on call 24/7 would take Blood Draws out of the hands of AMR and wondered if that would be an option.
    - Mr. Ogden, Mr. Lambert and Mr. Hirsch responded in agreement that this would require more money and would need to be done under the supervision of a doctor.
    - Mr. Hirsch further stated there's no medical reason a nurse needs to be under a physician to draw blood. He suggested there could possibly even be an officer with medical training and this could be another viable item for a DUI Policy Committee to discuss.
      - Mr. Gibson suggested a third party may alleviate conflict of interest.

## **P I & E COMMITTEE**

### **Promo Items**

- Coordinator Parker-Wathne is creating new "What to Do" cards that will be for people to have in their vehicle to reference in the event they think they see an impaired driver.
  - Mr. Pape said they need to be willing to sign a complaint if they call 911 and he didn't think most people would be willing to do that.
    - Mr. Ogden clarified what it means to give a statement over the phone and Mr. Lambert said most of the time they can tell who's calling anyway with cell phones.
    - Mr. Hamilton said in his experience the vast majority are willing to sign.

## Events

- Coordinator Parker-Wathne reported that the **Drivers Ed Programs** in Belgrade and Bozeman have seemed successful.
  - Mr. Ogden asked if would be possible to collaborate on the program.
    - Coordinator Parker-Wathne said she open to suggestions and loved that idea.
- Chair Hamilton shared that having the goggles at the **Manhattan Potato Festival** was educational and very eye opening for people.
  - Mr. Hirsch suggested having the goggles at all events.
  - Mr. Caires said an event on campus using the goggles with a golf cart and cones to crash into might be really informative and worthwhile.
- The **March Snowmobile Expo** in West Yellowstone was suggested as the prime event to target for maximum impact in that area.
  - Coordinator Parker-Wathne will look into this further.
  - Mr. Gibson said he did have several people mention our attendance at the Rod Run.
- Coordinator Parker-Wathne reported that attendance at **Catapalooza** this year was amazing and that students were crazy about the new DUI buttons.
- Mr. Keen said he thought having our booth at the Gallatin Speedway Races would be better than being at the Belgrade Fall Festival. He suggested having a deputy and patrol vehicle there with the Task Force and right now there is one DUI after another leaving there.
- Coordinator Parker-Wathne thanked Mr. Caires for his help in getting the Task Force approved to participate in the 10/8 and 11/12 **Bobcat Football games**.
  - Mr. Caires said the Task Force might want to visit with Keith at Cardinal Distributing about using some of their DUI money to buy time for a PSA at the football games.
    - Coordinator Parker-Wathne will pursue this.
  - Mr. Lambert said he hoped we would be in a better location this year.
    - Mr. Caires said there's one person handling dozens of groups. He said there are only 2 spots that are available to give away and the rest all generate income so it is difficult.
  - Mr. Caires suggested pursuing a joint ad on the sports page with the DUI Task Force and the Athletic Department in the program.
  - Mr. Parrish said he thought it would be great to hand out more of the buttons.
  - Mr. Pape said he thought we should display DUI penalties at our booth.
- Mr. Gale will be presenting information about **Red Ribbon Week** to Belgrade Middle School classes on 10/24 & 25 along with Coordinator Parker-Wathne and someone from the Health Department. Information about Red Ribbon Week is available on the C-CODA website.

- Coordinator Parker-Wathne reminded everyone that **Christmas Stroll** is coming up quickly the first weekend in December.
  - Mr. Ogden said he will try to authorize an officer to be available.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

- Mr. Hirsch suggested linking up with UBER to create contact cards with DUI Task Force information on one side and UBER information on the other.
  - Coordinator Parker-Wathne will look into this.
- Mr. Cairns said the new annual security report was just published on the MSU website and that numbers are down and overall student behavior was better than the previous year.
  - Mr. Gale said the Prevention Needs Assessment survey shows that numbers statewide are better too.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:25 pm

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**Next Meeting:**      **Wednesday/January 18, 2016 – 5:30 pm**

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