

CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

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MEMBERS

Terry Collins, Dustin Krasny, David Aungst
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MEETING LOCATION

Chambers

Minutes: Thursday, February 5, 2026

I. Call to Order

Present: Commissioners: Terry Collins, Dustin Krasny, David Aungst, James Van Doren
Also Administrator Kim Murphy, Deputy Administrator Shannon Elliott, Chief
Present: Prosecutor Allison Arnold, Sheriff Troy Bevier, Emergency Management Director
Craig Tanis, Chris Foerg, Deputy Community Development Coordinator
Francine Zysk, Chief Public Defender John Glaser, Regional Morgue Facility
Manager Sarah Palmani, MSC Director Rod Weaver, Marketing &
Communications Coordinator Jennifer Ambrose, Administrative Coordinator
Carissa Zubke, Community Engagement Specialist Quinn Wilt, Candy Gomez-
Catherine Cobb, Dallas Barringer (WLEN)

The meeting was called to order at 10:01 by Comm. Collins.

II. Approval of Minutes

A. Approval of Minutes: December 4, 2025

Motion by Aungst to approve the minutes of December 4, 2025, seconded by Krasny. Motion carried.

III. Finance Reports

A. Finance Report

Deputy Elliott reviewed the finance reports; no discussion.

IV. Sheriff

A. Sheriff's Report

B. Sheriff's Annual Report

Sheriff Bevier provided highlights from the department's annual report including: 2025 accomplishments from Central Dispatch, Corrections Service Unit, including various upgrades at the Jail, and Road Patrol Services.

Discussion opened regarding comparable deputy salaries in other counties. The Sheriff stated Lenawee salaries are comparable. However, they have found the retirement packages to be different at times.

V. Prosecuting Attorney

A. Prosecutor's Report

Deputy Prosecutor Allison Arnold was present for the Chief Prosecutor, stating the office remains busy with cases and that it will probably continue to remain busy through the summer.

VI. Public Defender

A. Public Defender Report

The public defenders monthly report was included in the packet; no discussion.

VII. Emergency Management

A. Emergency Management Report

Emergency Management Director Craig Tanis stated Norfolk is going to provide a 7-car Prop Train to the County that will be utilized in training. Training sessions will be offered to hazmat teams, Lenawee, and all counties within Region 1. Tanis emphasized how rare it is to have donated train cars for training.

There will be another workshop at the emergency operations center (EOC) on March 3rd. The office is working on plans for various training sessions in the spring and summer.

Discussion was held regarding the continuation of grant funding. Tanis reported there was a litigation matter for the FY25 grant. The state won, and the grant funding will come forward, as expected.

VIII. Medical Examiner

A. Medical Examiner Office's Report

Office Manager Sarah Palmani reviewed the medical examiners' report, including the November and December statistics.

There were 316 cases in Lenawee County last year, slightly down from 2024; 83 of those were autopsied.

The ME office currently has an Adrian College student and RN at the morgue to job shadow. In addition, the office is training a new employee at the facility.

Palmani shared student feedback from a recent career fair she attended at Clinton schools.

The Medical Examiner's office received a donation for a couple of burial spaces in Lenawee County. Lucia Page, the daughter of a Guerrero family, donated her parents' burial spaces that were previously obtained, before they relocated to California. Palmani shared the story behind the kind and rare gesture.

IX. Courts

No discussion.

X. Maurice Spear Campus

Rod Weaver discussed the ongoing construction at the old detention center.

A student who is currently at the campus gave an impressive presentation to the MSC board recently. The juvenile shared his previous struggles before coming to the campus and how it has truly been life-changing. He will receive food handler training and begin to work in the Department on Aging kitchen.

XI. Updates & Other Business

No comment.

XII. Public Comment

No comment.

XIII. Adjournment

Motion by Aungst to adjourn the meeting at 10:17am, seconded by Krasny. Motion carried.