

**Town of Mansfield
Public Safety Committee
April 14, 2010
Bergin Correctional Institution**

Minutes

Members Present: A. Barberet, R. Blicher, G. Cole, D. Keane, C. Lary, C. Paulhus, R. Pellegrine, Warden M. Rinaldi, Lt. W. Solenski, W. Stauder (Chair), S. Thomas
Staff Present: Maria Capriola (Town), Deputy Warden Michael Davis (DOC), Dorothy Durst (DOC), Don Cyr (DOC), Cptn. Chris Corey (DOC)

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:00pm

II. Minutes of 1/13/10

The minutes of 1/13/10 were approved unanimously as presented.

III. Warden's Report and Discussion

Warden Rinaldi provided an update on the population. Currently there are 1,027 inmates and some of the overflow unit has reopened. Recreational hours have been extended as daylight hours have increased.

Bergin staff and the Town of Mansfield Department of Public Works have been coordinating roadside litter pick-up crews. Bergin staff attended the Friends of the Mansfield Library book sale and was able to obtain books for the inmates.

Ms. Durst provided an update on school enrollment and programming. Bergin continues to lead the state in GEDs awarded to inmates. Numerous programs and classes are being offered such as vocational training (horticulture, culinary arts, business education), re-entry programs, domestic violence training (mandated if an inmate has had a domestic violence offense within the past five years), parenting, English as a second language, etc.

IV. Chairperson's Report

None.

V. Communications

Letter to Mansfield residents re: Community Notification System. Ms. Capriola and Warden Rinaldi provided information on the phone notification list/system. Committee members suggested that it might be helpful to consider the use of notification technology that can provide information to cell **and** land lines. The current technology only provides notification through land lines.

VI. Public Comment

None.

VII. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:35pm. Following adjournment, members took a tour of dormitory facilities, the job center, programming space, and other areas of Bergin.

Respectfully Submitted,
Maria Capriola, M.P.A.
Assistant to Town Manager