

A meeting of the Fond du Lac County Jail Ad Hoc Committee was held on Thursday, August 29, 2024, in Room H of the City-County Government Center.

Thomas E. Dornbrook:	1-2:39 p.m.	Kevin Galske:	1-2:39 p.m.
Katherine B. Griffith:	1-2:39 p.m.	Mark Henschel:	1-2:39 p.m.
George Koonce:	1-2:39 p.m.	Sam Meyer:	1-2:39 p.m.
Jonathon E. Venhuizen:	1-2:39 p.m.	Dean P. Will:	1-2:39 p.m.
Michael J. Will:	1-2:39 p.m.		

Also present were Erin Gerred, Steven Abel, Ryan Waldschmidt, Jim Borgen, Tyler Broderick, Tiffany Brault, John Rickert, Michael Streetar, Lisa Freiberg, Kurt Berner, Cory Beyer, Kyle Knop, Donna Richards and Kay Ladson.

1. Call meeting to order.
Chair Koonce called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.
2. Approve minutes of the July 23, 2024, meeting.
Motion (Will/Griffith) to approve the minutes. Motion carried.
3. Members of the public who wish to address the committee must register their requests with the chair to speak on a specific agenda item for a period not to exceed three minutes. All public comments are subject to the reasonable control of the committee chair as set forth in Robert's Rules of Order.
Donna Richards spoke on only having local residents housed in the jail. She also questioned what the current jail population are in custody for.
4. Discussion on public and media communications.
County Board Chair Abel explained the duties and process of committees, including ad hoc committees. Chair Koonce will be the spokesperson on behalf of the committee.
5. Discussion on the Fond du Lac County Jail tour.
Discussion was held with the following "comments" made by committee members.
Current jail is dated in comparison to the Green Lake County jail.
Current jail is dated, but good maintenance done by staff.
Current jail is similar to a maze.
Very expensive to run the current facility.
6. Discussion on the Green Lake County Jail tour.
County Clerk Lisa Freiberg reviewed the notes from the tour.
Discussion was held with the following "comments" made by committee members.
Green Lake definitely has an open concept.
Green Lake County Sheriff Podoll stated "Trust Your Sheriff".
Green Lake has a labor-saving aspect.
The geothermal energy savings.
Possibly changing the wording of a "Jail" ad hoc to "Justice Center" ad hoc.
7. Discussion with Samuels Group.
Kyle Knop and Cory Beyer of Venture Architects and Kurt Berner of Samuels Group provided a presentation on the following.
 - a. Jail design concepts.
A needs assessment and bed analysis were explained. This would include current bed count and the factors for projected future bed count.
The concepts provided for discussion included a linear jail concept and a justice center concept.
The proposed podular jail design was discussed with emphasis on a two-story jail pod that showed sight lines into all dayrooms and cells. Natural lighting is a challenge to be incorporated in the design.
The justice center concept provided a look of secure holding and visiting area, holding cells and detainee path of travel.
Renovation of existing Government Center concepts were provided.

- b. Jail classifications.
Building codes dictate the size of cells and/or pods.
 - c. Juvenile detention design.
8. Future agenda items and meeting date.
The committee will meet Thursday, September 12, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. and Thursday, October 3, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. Future agenda items include programming and sizes, jail classifications, concepts and layouts and site options.
9. Adjournment.
Motion (Dornbrook/M. Will) to adjourn the meeting at 2:39 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Freiberg
Fond du Lac County Clerk