



**PUBLIC SAFETY COORDINATING
COUNCIL
MEETING AGENDA**

July 25, 2025

Administration Building,
4th Floor, BCC Meeting Room, 477 Houston
Street,
Green Cove Springs, FL 32043
9:30 AM

WELCOME

CALL TO ORDER

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Public Safety Coordinating Council Meeting Minutes, April 25, 2025.

NEW BUSINESS

2. Status of the Clay County Detention Facility
3. CCDF Mental Health Status/Updates
4. CCDF Inmate Betterment Program

PUBLIC COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

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Public Safety Coordinating Council

Clay County Administration Building
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WELCOME

Chairman Mark Wright welcomed Director of Detention Ricky Wright to the Council, expressed congratulations to Chief Shawn Hines for being appointed as the Chief of Green Cove Springs Police Department, and then welcomed all in attendance.

CALL TO ORDER

Present: Public Defender, Director J. Mark Wright, Chairman
Clay County Sheriffs Office - Director Ricky Wright
Clay County Sheriffs Office - Chief William Arnold
Clay County Judge - Division C - Judge Raymond Forbess
Director of Clay County Probation - Stephanie Wright
State's Attorney Office - Clay County Director - Pam Hazel
Commissioner, District 4 - Chairman Betsy Condon
Florida DOC - Circuit Administrator - Julie Eveslage

Absent: None

Staff Present: Program Unit Supervisor, Patty Atkinson
Clay County Sheriffs Office - Chief Larry Henry
Clay County Probation and Parole Manager, Keia Mills

Chairman Mark Wright called the meeting to order at 9:30 am.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Public Safety Coordinating Council Meeting Minutes, January 31, 2025..

Chairman Mark Wright made a motion for approval of the January 31, 2025, PSCC meeting minutes, seconded by Commissioner Betsy Condon, which carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

2. Clay County Jail Tour Discussion

Item One (1) Discussion can be seen at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fdWIXtCvDHM&list=PLKFgxMokr6vbcsi2__oCAf5szjvH_eEs0&index=18, beginning at 1:01 and ending at 17:40. Below is a brief summary of the discussion.

Chairman Mark Wright opened the floor to discuss the jail tour recently done by members of the Council and staff and apologized for being unable to attend.

There were comments made regarding the jail tour and what was acknowledged and observed during the tour, i.e., conditions of the jail, CCSO performing an amazing job and managing successfully with the resources they have, and, in the conditions, resolving issues during the tour, knowledge of the CCSO staff, the need for a new jail, costs/funding, and the approach by BoCC to resolve the issue and meet the need, and other programs offered - Drug Court - Veterans Court.

NEW BUSINESS

3. Status of the Clay County Detention Facility (Chief Arnold - CCSO)

Item Two (2) Discussion can be seen at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fdWIXtCvDHM&list=PLKFgxMokr6vbcsi2__oCAf5szjvH_eEs0&index=18, beginning at 17:41 and ending at 26:08. Below is a brief summary of the discussion.

Chief William Arnold, Chief of Detention Security - CCSO, addressed the Council to provide the details and information regarding the current status of the Detention Facility and thanked everyone for touring the facility.

492 Inmates - Max Daily Population at 80%: Includes two dormitories with Temporary Housing with the true bed capacity being at 478:

- 396 In-House:
 - 335 Males
 - 61 Females
 - 84% of the Population are Felonies
 - 16% of the Population are Misdemeanors
 - 88 Sentenced to the Clay County Jail
 - 20 Sentenced and awaiting transportation to DOC

There were questions and discussions regarding the daily cost to house an inmate, mandates for the analysis to be collected by DOC, assistance received from DOC to CCSO, the timeline for the design for the renovation of the jail, and clarification on "gain time and "ice hold."

4. CCDF Mental Health Status/Updates (M. Pittenger)

Item Four (4) Discussion can be seen at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fdWIXtCvDHM&list=PLKFgxMokr6vbcsi2__oCAf5szjvH_eEs0&index=18, beginning at 26:09 and ending at 38:58. Below is a brief summary of the discussion.

Betsy Condon, Commissioner - District 4 and Chair of the BoCC, addressed the Council to provide details and information regarding a bill being pursued by Senator Jennifer Bradley - SB168 - The Tristin Murphy Act referencing the need to address Mental Health challenges.

There were comments and discussions regarding the population with mental health issues incarcerated - 30%, the purpose of the bill, how to get individuals help/treatment in a timely manner, process and procedure timeline to evaluate, resources, and partnership - Clay Behavioral and CCSO, responding to calls and how they are handled when addressing mental health patients - Clay Behavioral Mobile Response Team.

5. CCDF Inmate Betterment Program (P. Atkinson)

Item Five (5) Discussion can be seen at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fdWIXtCvDHM&list=PLKFgxMokr6vbcsi2__oCAf5szjvH_eEs0&index=18, beginning at 38:59 and ending at 44:47. Below is a brief summary of the discussion.

Patty Atkinson, Program Unit Supervisor, addressed the Council to provide details and information regarding the CCDF Inmate Betterment Program.

GED:

- One Female and Five Males have Passed their GED
- Two Males only need one test to pass the GED

Microsoft Certification:

- One Female Passed
- Six Males Passed
- Two Males need to retest for Excel

Ms. Atkinson also provided an overview and information regarding the grant for the Vivitrol program, the job fair, and the Recovery Road Sober Living Center.

- Two Individuals were hired from the Job Fair
- Recently three men were placed in the Sober Living Center and are doing extremely well, one is training to become House Manager and all are attending AA

There were questions and discussions regarding the installation of the Heavy Equipment Simulator.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chairman Mark Wright addressed the Council to propose dates for the next meetings:

- Friday, July 25, 2025
- Friday, October 24, 2025

Chairman Mark Wright opened the floor for public comment at 10:15 am.

Hearing no comments, Chairman Mark Wright closed public comment at 10:15 am.

ADJOURN

Hearing no other business, Chairman Mark Wright adjourned the meeting at 10:16 am.

Attest:

Tara S. Green
Clay County Clerk of Court and Comptroller
Ex Officio Clerk of the Board

Chairman or Vice-Chairman