



**PUBLIC SAFETY COORDINATING
COUNCIL
MEETING AGENDA**

April 24, 2026
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 January 30, 2026.

NEW BUSINESS

2. Current Status of the Clay County Detention Facility
3. Clay County Detention Facility Mental Health Update
4. Clay County Detention Facility Re-Entry Program Update

PUBLIC COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

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Public Safety Coordinating Council

Clay County Administration Building
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REVIEWERS:

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PUBLIC SAFETY COORDINATING COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

January 30, 2026

9:30 AM

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

WELCOME

Chairman Mark Wright welcomed all in attendance.

CALL TO ORDER

Present: Public Defender, Director J. Mark Wright, Chairman
Clay County Clerk and Comptroller General Counsel, Brian Byrd
Commissioner District 1, John Sgromolo
Clay County Circuit Judge, Judge Steven Whittington
CCSO Director of Detention, Director Ricky Wright
CCSO Detention Administration, Chief William Arnold
GCS Police Department, Chief Shawn Hines
Assistant State Attorney, Clay County Director Pamela Hazel
Trial Court Administrator, Eve Janocko
Florida Department of Corrections Circuit Admin Julie Eveslage

Absent: None

Staff Present: Irene Toto - Clay Behavioral Health Center
Debra Troupe - Clay Behavioral Health Center
Katie Black - CCSO Inmate Mental Health Counselor
Patty Atkinson - CCSO Program Unit Supervisor
Margaret Pittenger - Medical Services Manager
Chief Larry Henry - CCSO
Idris Gaines - DCF Regional Director
Chris Massey - Chief Probation Officer - DJJ

Chairman Mark Wright called the meeting to order at 9:31 am.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

Chairman Mark Wright made a motion for approval of the October 31, 2025, Public Safety Coordinating Council Meeting minutes, seconded by Director Ricky Wright, which carried unanimously.

Chairman Wright provided an overview for the purpose of the meeting prior to moving into new business.

NEW BUSINESS

2. Current Status of the Clay County Detention Facility

Item Two (2) can be seen at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xym2MkxF-Ig> beginning at 1:17 and ending at 2:51. Below is a summary of the discussion.

Chief William Arnold, Detention Administration - CCSO addressed the Council to provide the details and information on the status of the Clay County Detention Facility.

Current Status:

- Average Daily Population - 372
- As of January 30, 2026, Morning Count - 417 - 85% of Maximum Population
 - 82% of the Inmate Population in Custody on Felony Charges
 - 18% of the Inmate Population in Custody on Misdemeanor Charges
 - 71 Inmates Sentenced to the Clay County Jail
 - 21 Inmates Sentenced to DOC - Awaiting Transfer

There were questions and discussions regarding transfer wait times, updates regarding construction progress at the jail, and the number of additional beds that will be created with the improvements - 83 beds.

3. Clay County Detention Facility Mental Health Update

Item Three (3) can be seen at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xym2MkxF-Ig>, beginning at 2:55 and ending at 9:40. Below is a summary of the discussion.

Patty Atkinsons, CCSO Program Unit Supervisor, addressed the Council to provide updated details and information regarding the inmate "betterment" programs. Below are the areas of discussion:

Unlocked Recovery:

- Program started in September
 - 3 Males - Completed the Program
 - 2 Males - Early Release due to Completion
 - 7 Males - Currently in the Program
 - 12 Males - on the Waiting List
 - 2 Males - Qualify for the Vivitrol Shot

- 3 Females - Completed Program
- 2 Females on the Vivitrol
- Female Inmate released and in living Recovery Road - Doing Well
- 6 Females in the Program
- 7 Females - On the Waiting List
- GED/Microsoft Certification - YTD
 - 15 Males - Received GED
 - 5 Males - Partially Completed the Test
 - 3 Females - Received GED
 - 2 Females - Partially Completed the Test
 - 1 Female - Passed Microsoft Certification
 - 3 Females - Partially Passed
 - 16 Males - Passed Microsoft Certification
 - 5 Males - Partially Passed
- Orange Park Adult Education (GED) and Small Business Entrepreneurship (Added Program)
 - 18 Males - SBE
 - 10 Males - GED

There were questions, clarifications, and discussions regarding the Becoming Unleashed Program, who can attend the SBE Program, Operation Barnabas, capacity/wait time to enter the Unlocked Recovery Program and the length of the program.

4. Clay County Detention Facility Re-Entry Program Update

Item Four (4) discussion was held during item Three (3).

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Discussion can be seen at <https://www.youtu.be/xym2MkxF-Ig>, beginning at 10:11 and ending at 15:45. Below is a summary of the discussion.

Chairman Mark Wright opened the floor for public comment at 9:41 am.

Hearing no comments, Chairman Mark Wright closed public comment at 9:41 am.

Chairman Mark Wright opened the floor for comments/discussion from the Council.

Judge Steven Whittington, Clay County Circuit Judge, addressed the Council to provide details regarding issues pertaining to the Mental Health Resource Center request to do evaluation. If someone has been deemed incompetent to proceed and meets the criteria for involuntary hospitalization there is a delay.

There were comments, questions, and discussions regarding conditional release, inmate medication intake, regulations on services provided, requirements for release, residency status upon release, and transportation/housing.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Wright noted that the next PSCC Meeting would be April 24, 2026.

Hearing no further business, Chairman Mark Wright adjourned the meeting at 9:46 am.

Attest:

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

Chairman or Vice-Chairman