

**MADISON COUNTY
JUDICIARY COMMITTEE**
157 N. Main St., Edwardsville, IL 62025 RM 203
Thursday, April 3, 2025
3:15 PM – 3:28 PM

Chairwoman Wiley called the regular meeting to order at 3:15 PM. Those in attendance and constituting a quorum were:

PRESENT: Chrissy Wiley, Don McMaster, Brynn Kincheloe, Nick Petrillo, Fred Schulte, and Chris Guy
ABSENT: Michael “Doc” Holliday
OTHERS: Liz Happold, Tom Haine, Paulina Fuhrmann, Stephanie Seehausen, Patrick McRae, Missy Bickmore, Chris Threlkeld, Kevin McKee, Alleena Wessell, Mary Copeland, Cynthia Ellis, David Livingstone, Chad Loughrey

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Cynthia Ellis gave information about the Mix and Mingle event at the Ink House on April 3, 2025, from 4pm–7pm.

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The March 2025 meeting minutes were approved as written.

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Mr. Guy moved, seconded by Mr. Schulte to approve the monthly bills.

The ayes and nays called on the motion to approve resulted in a vote as follows:

AYES: Wiley, McMaster, Kincheloe, Petrillo, Schulte, Guy

NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED.

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PURCHASE REQUESTS:

The following were submitted for discussion and approval:

1. **Probation:** Dell, Inc.; Fourteen (14) Dell Optiplex Small Form Factor Plus 7020 Computers.
Amount \$15,582.00.

Mr. McMaster moved, seconded by Mr. Kincheloe to approve the purchase request as presented.

The ayes and nays called on the motion to approve resulted in a vote as follows:

AYES: Wiley, McMaster, Kincheloe, Petrillo, Schulte, Guy

NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED.

2. **Sheriff:** Lexipol; Annual Law Enforcement Policy Updates, Annual Corrections Policy Updates. Amount \$11,850.56.

Mr. Petrillo moved, seconded by Mr. McMaster to approve the purchase request as presented.

The ayes and nays called on the motion to approve resulted in a vote as follows:

AYES: Wiley, McMaster, Kincheloe, Petrillo, Schulte, Guy

NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED.

CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER:

Jenny Wilkinson was unable to attend in person; however, she submitted her report via email ahead of the meeting.

CIRCUIT CLERK:

Patrick McRae reported that they have received a hard drive for their ongoing digitization project. He also noted that the Illinois Office of Administrative Courts has introduced changes to the e-filing process, which he referred to as unfunded mandates. Additionally, he highlighted a significant step forward: the state police are now integrating their tickets into a digital format with the Circuit Clerk's Office.

CIRCUIT COURT: - No report.

DETENTION HOME:

Alleena Wessell reported on the facility's activity for March, stating it began the month with 26 minors in custody, admitted 21, and released 24. The mental health professional conducted 17 suicide screenings, with 3 cases downgraded to a lower-level risk and none upgraded to a higher-level risk. Additionally, 52 counseling sessions were provided for minors, and two continuing education training courses were offered to the officers during the month.

PROBATION:

Kevin McKee reported a total of 3,703 individuals currently on probation, including 3,496 adults and 207 juveniles. To date, Pre-Trial Services has completed 660 criminal history reviews and risk assessments and is actively supervising 31 individuals on pre-trial release. Additionally, 24 individuals are being monitored electronically. There are also 107 participants enrolled in the Problem-Solving Courts—Drug Court, Mental Health Court, and Veterans Treatment Court—all of which are certified by the Supreme Court.

PUBLIC DEFENDER:

Mary Copeland provided an update on efforts to establish a state public defender, noting that the House bill is essentially dead in the water. She also reiterated the ongoing challenges they continue to face with the Department of Human Services (DHS).

SHERIFF/JAIL POPULATION:

Marcos Pulido was unable to attend in person; however, she submitted his report via email ahead of the meeting.

STATE'S ATTORNEY:

Tom Haine expressed his appreciation to the committee for their diligence and continued support for the State's Attorney's Office. He then introduced Chad Loughrey, Stephanie Seehausen, Paulina Fuhrmann, and David Livingstone.

Chad Loughrey presented the following statistics to the committee: 331 felony cases were handled, with 75 detention petitions filed. Of those, 44 proceeded to a hearing, resulting in 37 being granted and 7 denied—an 84% detention rate. Additionally, 230 cases were resolved during the month of March.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: - None.

NEW BUSINESS: - None.

Mr. Guy moved, seconded by Mr. Schulte to adjourn the meeting at 3:28 PM. *MOTION CARRIED.*

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