

**DETENTION CENTER COMMISSION  
MINUTES OF MEETING  
December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

**The Detention Center Commission met this date at 4:00 P.M. in the Union Parish Police Jury meeting room, Union Parish Courthouse Annex, Farmerville, Louisiana. Present were: Dusty Gates (Union Parish Sheriff), Chief Bim Coulbertson (Town of Farmerville) and Jerry W. Taylor (UPPJ). Absent: Lanny Parker (Union Parish Police Jury) and John Belton (District Attorney).**

Mr. Taylor called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. Sheriff Gates led the group in prayer. Roll call was taken. Mr. Taylor asked if anyone in the audience would like to register for public comment to speak.

**Motion made by Chief Coulbertson, seconded by Sheriff Gates and declared adopted by Roll Call vote to approve the agenda as written.**

**Motion made by Chief Coulbertson and seconded by Sheriff Gates to adopt the minutes of Thursday, November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Transitional Work Program Director's Report** – The room and board as of today is **\$53,356.87**. Foster Farms has one pay period left in the month of December. Thomas Nursery has three more pay periods for the month of December. Northpointe has three pay periods left for the month of December. Mrs. Stanley projects that by the end of December the room and board should be approximately \$105,000. As of today there are ninety-six (96) work release offenders; seventy-five (75) of those offenders are LEO's. There are nine (9) additional inmates that are approved. Eighteen inmates are in the screening process

**Warden's Comments** – The inmate welfare fund has a balance of \$174,464.93 as of December 12, 2018. The total profit for phone sales from October 23, 2018 through December 12, 2018 is \$21,038.05. For that same period the commissary profit is \$18,071.18. The transportation reimbursement out of inmate welfare for the period of October 20 to December 12 is \$33,682.70. For the same period the commissary reimbursement is \$4,186.08. The DOC count is holding steady between 225 and 230. The pretrial inmates are down to 95 inmates. Warden Adams states that all of the shifts are at capacity.

The Secretary/Treasurer presented a proposed 2019 budget. She explained that the increase in professional fees is due to an increase in auditing requirements and the payroll that is now being processed by a CPA. For 2018 there was an additional expense for roof repair that should not repeat itself in 2019. She also went over a few noteworthy line items. **Motion Chief Coulbertson, seconded by Sheriff Gates to accept the proposed 2019 Union Parish Detention Center operating budget. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Motion made by Chief Coulbertson and seconded by Sheriff Gates for Commission to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel/security issues. Roll call vote: YEAS 3, NAYS 0, ABSENT 2.**

**Motion made by Chief Coulbertson and seconded by Sheriff Gates for Commission to come out of executive session and to return to meeting; no action taken in executive session. Roll call vote: YEAS 3, NAYS 0, ABSENT 2.**

**Motion Chief Coulbertson and seconded by Sheriff Gates to uphold the termination of LaTina Davis based upon the evidence and statements presented. Motion carried unanimously.** Mr. Taylor addressed Ms. Davis as follows: Ms. Davis your termination has been upheld and you have the right to comment and have a name clearing hearing. Ms. Davis declined to comment. Mr. Taylor further stated that the decision to uphold the termination was based on the testimony of the witnesses. Mr. Taylor also stated that all of the parties involved were on probation and all three were treated the same.

**There being no further business to come before the commission, Mr. Taylor declared the meeting adjourned upon motion by Chief Coulbertson, seconded by Sheriff Gates, on this the 13<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2018.**

Jerry Taylor, Acting Chairman  
Paula Strickland, Secretary/Treasurer