

# Skagit County Law & Justice Council

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**Don Marlow**  
Chief of Corrections  
Chair

**Lisa Janicki**  
Commissioner  
Vice-Chair

**Jennifer Bononi**  
Clinical Supvr, PHS  
Member-at-Large

**Catherine Sisk**  
CJ Coordinator  
Secretary

**Wednesday July 10, 2019**  
**8:15 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.**

## Attendance:

DON MCDERMOTT  
JAMIE BREDSTRAND  
DONNELL AUSTIN  
MARGARET ROJAS  
DANIKA TROUPE  
MELISSA BEATON  
BETTY JENSEN

DON MARLOW  
LIN TUCKER  
MATT MILLER  
CHRIS CAMMOCK  
MIKE LUVERA  
RICH WEYRICH

LISA JANICKI  
KRISTEN EKSTRAN  
JENNIFER HOWSON  
DEANNIE NELSON  
LISA WEST  
KATIE MARTIN

CATHERINE SISK  
AMIE TIDRINGTON  
JENNIFER BONONI  
ANNETTE LINDQUIST  
ROB SULLIVAN  
JORGE MANZANERA

## **I. Welcome – Don Marlow, Chief of Corrections**

Chief Marlow called the meeting to order at 8:15 a.m. and welcomed the Council and guests.

## **II. Introductions**

Attendees, present at the start of the meeting introduced themselves. The name of those attending the meeting is listed above.

## **III. Review and approval of May 2019 minutes**

The minutes from the May 8, 2019 Law and Justice Council meeting were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes was brought forward by Chief Marlow, and seconded by many others. Motion carries.

## **IV. Presentation: Therapeutic and Alternative Courts and a Community Court Model by Commissioner Jennifer Howson, Skagit County District Court**

Commissioner Howson discussed the Community Court Model for low level offenses to reduce re-offending and to expedite the court process. This program has been funded by grants for other agencies, and funding sources are being gathered at this time. This program is expected to have a start date of January 2020.

**Sheriff's Office Training Room, Public Safety Building**  
**600 South Third Street, Mount Vernon**

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## **V. Announcements**

Kristen Ekstran advised that there is a mass overdose response plan in the works. A workshop for Law Enforcement will be the next step. This plan should be in place by November. This will also involve bringing together all aspects of first responders together for drills. Creating a hub to deal with and treat opioid issues is being discussed as well, similar to the Community Court Model.

Matt Miller- Didgwalic expansion is in the works in Anacortes. This will entail 20,000 more square feet of space and additional parking.

Lisa Janicki- A dedicated grant writer position is being discussed.

Danika Troupe- A consultant was found to work with in regards to mental health issues that may affect first responders.

Don Marlow- The jail bunk retrofit is almost complete and should be done by September. Hiring for the jail is progressing lead by Chief Lindquist. Should be fully staffed by September.

Lisa West announced that the family re-unification program has seen success so far.

Hiring process for the Jail and Patrol was discussed amongst the members.

**VI. Next Meeting: September 11, 2019**

**VII Adjourn 9:30 a.m.**