Northwest Ohio Juvenile Detention, Training and Rehabilitation District Emergency Board Minutes March 23, 2022

The **Board of the Northwest Ohio Juvenile Detention, Training and Rehabilitation District** met on this day at 11:30 a.m. at the facility and via Zoom.

Defiance CountyFulton CountyHenry CountyWilliams CountyDana PhippsJoe ShortTom MackMichael PolleyJudge StrausbaughRoy MillerJeff MiresTerry RummelElissa CarrizalesJudge GallagherJudge McColley

Absent: Robert Morton, Bill Rufenacht, Nick Woodall, Judge Bumb, and Joe Friess.

Others present: Melissa Garza-Superintendent, Kim Grime-Fiscal Officer, Adrianne Firman-Assistant Superintendent, Brock McNeal-Maintenance, Kathleen Minahan-Mazanec, Raskin & Ryder, Dan Paffe and Kellen Dooley-Bio One, Erin Spieth, and Ron Osburn-*The Bryan Times*.

The purpose of the meeting is to declare an emergency at Northwest Ohio Juvenile Detention, Training & Rehabilitation Center and to enter into a contract with Bio-One for the cleanup and remediation of the facility due to an opioid like substance so that the detainees can be returned to the facility as soon as possible because they are temporarily being housed at an adult facility.

Tom Mack announced that there was quorum present to conduct business.

Terry Rummel stated that the Executive Committee was ready to move forward with the vendor (Bio One), but our attorney (Kathleen Minahan) doesn't agree. NWOJDC's staff is struggling at the Corrections Center of Northwest Ohio (CCNO). Judge Gallagher has been speaking with the Ohio EPA and multiple businesses and it is not easy to find companies to clean this substance. There are only about four companies. The Ohio Department of Health will come in and clear the building before anyone can come back in. The Multi Area Narcotics Unit (MAN Unit) will aid in checking the facility. Bio One has presented a certificate of training and has been researched and the Executive Committee is satisfied with their credentials. It was suggested to change the section of the contract that says "they will use pictures" to "no pictures will be used except for training purposes". Judge Gallagher wanted to be sure that the facility name and address was correct on the contract. Kellen Dooley-Bio One stated that the estimate included dumpsters for the soft items that cannot be saved. They will be sanitized and are okay to put in the land fill. Dan Paffe-Bio One told members that the chemical Dahlgren was approved by the United States Navy to fight chemical warfare. There was some concern that the contract mentions sub-contracting, but Dooley told members that no portion of this job would be subcontracted. Judge Gallagher asked if Bio One would give NWOJDC a warranty, or if once the facility was retested and a positive swipe would occur would Bio One come back and retreat? Dooly informed members that Bio One would not leave until all tests were negative. Judge Gallagher asked what the time frame was? Dooley estimated two to three days without seeing the building first, and that it would depend on how many times they needed to respray. Number 13 of the contract was discussed because that item is not valid in the State of Ohio. Dooley stated that it is a corporate requirement. Judge Gallagher asked about the personnel property of the detainees and staff. Dooley stated that all soft items will be disposed of. The hard items can be wiped down. Dooley inquired if the MAN Unit used a laser to test the facility. Brock McNeal stated that the MAN Unit used swabs. Paffe told members that Dahlgren was released to the public for use about six years ago because of the opioid problems. Dahlgren was developed for chemical warfare to treat things like Mustard Gas. Paffe is confident it will knock out any substance in the facility. Judge Strausbaugh asked how it will clean the air handler? Paffe explained that they will put droplets in the intake and fog the HVAC system. Once the ducts are coated it will remediate the system. Occasionally, some HVAC systems need to be completely replaced. Rummel spoke with the Ohio EPA and asked how they felt about Dahlgren. They told him they are not sure because it hasn't been tested before. Paffe stated that no square inch of the facility would go un fogged. Dooley informed members that Dahlgren works because it pulls out hydrogen and leaves two difference substances behind that are not harmful any more. Judge Strausbaugh asked about side effects of the chemicals. Paffe said they will vent the facility out until it is not there. Dahlgren was invented to be washed into the ocean and not be harmful.

Chairman Mack turned the meeting over to Kathleen Minahan. Minahan is our lawyer thru CORSA. Minahan stated that she has two issues with the contract. The first is, no representation regarding Worker's Compensation insurance to protect their employees. Dooley told Minahan that he has Worker's Compensation and will send a letter stating that. Second, Minahan asked if Bio One has Contractor's insurance? Minahan is wondering what would happen if the chemical was misapplied. Dooley informed Minahan that Bio One does have insurance and it was sent to NWOJDC yesterday. Minahan wanted Bio One to include in the contract that they would come back and retreat the facility if necessary. Dooley stated that the contract is a corporate contract and he is not allowed to change anything. Dooley does have the authority to enter into an agreement that represents the fact that Bio One will come back and retreat if necessary. Paffe agreed that Bio One could put that in writing.

Rummel is in favor of hiring Bio One so get things moving along to get the kids and staff back to our facility. Short asked if the carpet would need replaced? Paffe thought that since the carpet has a rubber backing, he might be able to save it. But Paffe added that the ceiling tiles might need replaced and he would not know for sure until he was physically able to see the building. Rummel stated that some of the mattresses will need replaced so NWOJDC will be short but, the CCNO is going to lend NWOJDC mattresses.

Chairman Mack asked Dooley, Paffe, and Minahan to get together and work out an agreement after the meeting. All three agreed to this.

Roy Miller asked if NWOJDC would need to bid the project out because it is over \$50,000. He was told no because it is an emergency. The full board will first need to declare it an emergency and then the contract can be approved.

Terry Rummel motioned to declare an emergency due to an opioid like substance found in the facility, and it is critical to return youth and staff to the juvenile center. Michael Polley seconded the motion. Discussion: None. Vote on motion, All Ayes, 0 Nays.

Chairman Mack informed members that after the contract has been amended there will be an Executive Committee meeting to review and approve the contract later today.

Judge McColley agreed that Bio One should go ahead. Judge Strausbaugh agreed to follow the advice of the attorney and Bio One.

Elissa Carrizales motion to adjourn. Roy Miller seconded. Discussion: None. Vote on motion, All Ayes, O Nays. Motion carried.

Respectively Submitted

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Board Chairman