



**Inter-County Coordinating Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday, February 16, 2015**  
**Dodge County Administration Building, 127 E Oak Street**  
**Juneau, Wisconsin**

**Call to Order**

Meeting was called to order at 9:30am by Chairperson Russell Kottke.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those present.

**Certification of Open Meeting Notice**

Jeff Hoffman certified that the ICC meeting was posted according to Wisconsin State Open Meeting Law.

**Adoption of the Agenda**

Moved by Columbia County to adopt the meeting agenda as presented; seconded by Green Lake County. Motion passed on voice vote.

**Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**

Moved by Jefferson County to approve the minutes of the October 20, 2014 meeting; seconded by Columbia County. Motion passed on voice vote.

**Reports from Visiting Legislative Officials**

No reports.

**Update of County Issues –WCA**

WCA representative Sarah Dietrick-Kasdorf, commented on several issues:

- State Budget discussion
  - UW hot topic
  - General school aids
- Transportation funding
  - Transportation – counties take on assessment
  - Funding with increase bonding
- Bucks arena

**County Issue**

- Levy limits remain in place
- Move to County-Wide assessment system
- Towns opposed to change in assessment system
- Elimination of Local government property insurance fund
- Drug screening for individuals on some type of assistance
- Youth aids funding remain stable
- Looking for changes to probation and parole program with an increase in funding

- Change to funding State Circuit Court System
- Natural Resource Board and DATCP Board
  - Lose ability to write policy
  - Eliminate stewardship land purchases
  - State will no longer make tax payments moving forward
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Discussion Q and A followed

**Program Topic: Presentation by Kurt Klomberg, District Attorney of Dodge County**

DA Klomberg presented information on:

Heroin is a problem in Wisconsin/Dodge County

Shared information on the County's Opioid Task Force, concentrating on prevention

A Task force for treatment

The role of Alcohol court

Presentation provided information on:

What is Heroin?

Opiate/Opioid Drugs

How it works on the body

What is a narcotic-symptoms

Narcotic withdrawals – how they drive the user to reuse

Transition to Heroin

From prescription drugs to narcotics

378% increase in Heroin cases in 5 years

Heroin driving property crimes/is taxing law enforcement

Rural areas particularly impacted

Prescription misuse far out numbers Heroin abuse

The problem begins with prescription misuse

CDC Study Painkiller – Prescribed Drugs

No policy on when to prescribe opioids

Reporting of prescription scripts reduces 'Doctor Shopping'

Pain management examples

Solutions

Prevention

Enforcement

Treatment

Harm Reduction

Resources sheet provided

**Open Discussion of Counties – “What are you doing to remain a competitive & preferred employer?”**

**Columbia County –**

No slash and burn to employees  
To give the employees a sense of security  
Have a new Compensation Plan  
Reviewed many appeals  
Built bridges of trust with employees  
Encourage all employees with questions and concerns to call Co Br. Supervisors

**Jefferson County –**

Completed a Wage Study  
Reviewed many appeals  
Gave County Administrator more latitude in compensation offers to retain employees  
Implemented an Employee Recognition Program

**Dodge County –**

Watch pay structure, made tweaks to wage structure to attract quality applicants  
Moving ahead with Strategic Planning to improve communications between Co. Bd. Supervisors and employees.

**Sauk County –**

Completed wage compensation study  
Wants the Administrative Coordinator and Corporation taken out of their wage and comprehensive study

**Green Lake County –**

Started Pay for Performance  
Looking for a new Administrative type person  
New open door policy encouraged  
Improve recognition of employees

**GENERAL DISCUSSION:**

How to get the public more involved in County Government?  
Wants to talk about who oversight and supervision for Corporation Council and Administrative Coordinator?

**Adjournment**

Chairman Russ Kottke adjourned the meeting at 11:55 am.

***Minutes submitted by:***

Jeff Hoffman

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February 20, 2015

