

SPOKANE REGIONAL LAW AND JUSTICE COUNCIL MINUTES – 1/12/22

Chair: Sheriff Ozzie Knezovich

Vice-Chair: Director Mike Sparber

Meeting Date:
1/12/2022

Meeting Location:
Virtual Meeting

Start Time: 12:00 p.m.
Adjourn Time: 1:30 p.m.

Members:		Email	Organization
Sheriff Ozzie Knezovich- <i>Chair</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	oknezovich@Spokanecounty.org	Spokane County Sheriff
Director Mike Sparber- <i>Vice Chair</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	m Sparber@Spokanecounty.org	Detention Services
Justin Bingham	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	jbingham@Spokanecity.org	Municipal Prosecutor
Judge Angelle Gerl	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	agerl@cawh.org	Municipal Court
Steve Bartel	<input type="checkbox"/>	SBartel@Spokanecounty.org	County Risk Management
Deputy Mayor Brandi Peetz	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	bpeetz@spokanevalley.org	City Legislative Rep.
Tim Fitzgerald	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	tfitzgerald@Spokanecounty.org	Superior Court Clerk
Randi Unfred	<input type="checkbox"/>	randi.unfred@DOC1.WA.GOV	Dept. of Corrections
John Haley	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	jwhaleyjr@comcast.net	Community Rep.
Larry Haskell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	lhaskell@Spokanecounty.org	County Prosecutor
Chief Damon Simmons	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	dsimmons@libertylakewapd.gov	Municipal Police Department
Judge Julie McKay	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	jmckay@spokanecounty.org	Superior Court
Carmen Pacheco-Jones	<input type="checkbox"/>	carmen.pacheco-jones@yahoo.com	Community Rep.
Tori Peterson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	tpeterson@Spokanecounty.org	Juvenile Court
Cheryl Tofsrud	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ctofsrud@Spokanecounty.org	Pre-Trial Services
Judge Aimee Maurer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	amaurer@spokanecounty.org	District court
Open seat	<input type="checkbox"/>		Community Rep.

Proxies:

Present:

- Maggie Yates, Regional Law & Justice Administrator
- Candace Aguirre, Regional Law & Justice Staff Assistant
- Dianne Linquist, Office of Law & Justice
- Karen Westberg
- Cary Driskell, City of Spokane Valley
- Steve Nelson
- Don Hooper
- Jim Kauffman

Agenda:

- Welcome
- Introductions
- SRLJC Top 3 Priorities Discussion

Minutes:

- **Item #1:** Sheriff Ozzie Knezovich, Chair, opened the meeting with a welcome and introductions.
- **Item #2: Approval of the Minutes**
 - John Haley, Community Representative, motioned to approve the November minutes as is. Seconded by Brandi Peetz, City Legislative Representative. Minutes were approved unanimously.
 - i. Judge Maurer, District Court, abstained.
- **Item #3: SRLJC Top 3 Priorities Discussion**
 - Each member of the SRLJC was asked to explain their submitted priorities to the group.
 - Sheriff Knezovich, Chair, suggested that the first action item be that a committee review the new structure along with the bylaws and statute.
 - i. Brandi Peetz volunteered for the subcommittee.
 - ii. Mike Sparber, Vice-Chair, volunteered for the subcommittee.
 1. Karen Westberg, Detention Services, volunteered to assist as needed.
 - iii. Judge Maurer volunteered for the subcommittee.
 - iv. Larry Haskell, County Prosecutor, volunteered for the subcommittee.
 - v. John Haley volunteered for the subcommittee.
 1. Sheriff Knezovich requested this review be complete by April 1, 2022.
 - a. Subcommittee Chair will be chosen when the committee meets.
 - b. Mike Sparber will schedule the first meeting for the committee.
 - As the second action item, Sheriff Knezovich requested Maggie Yates, Law & Justice Administrator, send a list of past, present, and future projects for the council to review.
 - Judge Maurer asked if the open Community Representative seat will be chosen before 2022 SRLJC Priorities are voted on.
 - i. Maggie Yates informed the group the member will appointed by the County Commissioners.
 1. The third seat is reserved for a Victims Advocate and applications have been collected.
 - Sheriff Knezovich stated the third action item from today's meeting will be to take a look at programing and resources that are necessary for programing in the Spokane County Jail.
 - Sheriff Knezovich clarified that the action items identified today are for the short term and should be accomplished by May 2022.
- **Item #4: Sheriff's Anti-Violence Effort**
 - Sheriff Knezovich shared a presentation on issues the community and his office are facing.
 - i. Tori Peterson expressed interest in participating in the efforts presented.
 - ii. These slides will be distributed to the council for review.

Meeting adjourned. 1:17 pm.