

Great Game Huddle Notes
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Character Core by Meggan Hartman, Quartermaster at the Jail

DISCIPLINE - Choosing behaviors to help me meet my goals

How do you unlock your potential? Focus on more than yourself, and examine the content of what you are being asked to do. Take a few moments to pause before you respond to someone and think about your response. Sometimes, especially in a confrontation, we must stop and regain composure so that we don't react with emotion. This takes practice and discipline, but in the end you will be in charge of your emotions and will build healthy habits. Meggan talked about the long-term goals that she has, and the short-term goals she has achieved along that path. Her advice is to stay focused on the long-term goal when you get discouraged and overwhelmed.

Commission Corner

All three commissioners responded to some questions out of the Suggestion Box.

Presiding Commissioner Bob Cirtin addressed a question about the current status of the Jamestown project. Mr. Cirtin reported that the County is moving in the right direction in this regard. All of the residential lots have been sold to one builder, and homes are being built at a rate of more than 25 per year. A real estate company has been secured to promote the sale of the commercial lots.

Associate Commissioner Lincoln Hough answered the question posed about the cleaning of sidewalks and parking lots during inclement weather. Building Operations is responsible for keeping the sidewalks clear of ice and snow, and outside stair wells are usually closed as ice has a tendency to accumulate during the day. The Highway Department takes care of our county parking lots.

Associate Commissioner Harold Bengsch updated us on the progress of the Republic Road widening between Scenic and FF Highway. There have been many obstacles along the way, including the discovery that the ditch on the north side of the road is a Navigable Waterway of the Nation, and therefore required additional paperwork to be approved by the US Army Corps of Engineers. Having acquired that approval, the project moves forward. Many water and sewer lines, electrical lines, gas and telephone/network lines must be relocated, but progress is moving as swiftly as can be expected.

County Administrator Chris Coulter gave us a brief update on the construction of the new courtrooms at the Judicial Courts Facility. Now that the Prosecuting Attorney and Victim/Witness offices have been relocated, demolition and then construction of the new courtrooms has begun. It is anticipated that by the end of May of this year, all construction will be finished, including installation of the building wide sprinkler system. At this time, the Division 25 courtroom can be moved into the Judicial Courts Facility and the Planning and Zoning Board will once again be able to hold their meetings in room 212 of the Historic Courthouse.