September 1, 2019

TO:  
Chief Justice Michael Davis
Governor Mark Gordon
Joint Judiciary Interim Committee Members
Joint Appropriations Interim Committee Members

SUBJECT:  
Annual Report from the Court Security Commission as required by Wyoming Court Security Act, W.S. § 5-11-101 et seq.

The Wyoming Court Security Commission is pleased to present its 2019 Annual Report. The Commission has worked diligently to fulfill its statutory duty to oversee court security programs across the state.

The 64th Legislature allocated Four Hundred Thousand Dollars ($400,000) for court security improvements and directed the Court Security Commission to recommend allocation of those funds to counties. After counties applied for grants, the Commission identified counties that had not previously received grants, had significant needs as specified in audits conducted by the National Center for State Courts, and would contribute to the project from county funds in addition to any grant. The Commission granted funds to Carbon, Converse, Hot Springs, Lincoln, Sheridan, Uinta and Washakie Counties (see report page 3). Most of the projects connected with those grants are now complete, and each addressed significant security needs. In addition to the monies granted to Carbon County, the citizens there passed a bond initiative (a 6th Penny Tax) for infrastructure improvements and will allocate $18 million to creating a justice center with greatly improved security, along with improving space for the county’s administrative offices (see Stipe letter page 5).

At its May 22, 2019 meeting, the Commission voted to increase its efforts to visit local court facilities and better understand local security issues. I visited the Johnson County Justice Center on behalf of the Commission on May 23, 2019. We met in Riverton at the Riverton Justice Center on August 14, 2019 and will hold the next meeting of the Commission in November at the Sublette County Courthouse in Pinedale. The Commission believes that the cooperative efforts of counties and the State is significantly enhancing courthouse security.

The Commission continues its important work and stands ready to answer any questions that may arise.

Sincerely,

Keith G. Kautz
Justice
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Board Term Length: 3 Years

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This memorandum outlines the expenditures for court security funds. The Court Security Funding Program was authorized during the 2014 Budget Session of the Wyoming Legislature (2014 Wyo. Sess. HEA 41, Section 328). The 2014 legislation created the Court Security Funding Program and authorized the State Loan and Investment Board (Board) to issue grants to Fremont and Sweetwater County for court security improvements including the purchase of security equipment within courthouses or construction or modification of facilities. Fremont County dedicated the new Riverton Justice Center on June 19, 2015, and Sweetwater County dedicated its Rock Springs Justice Center on July 18, 2018. During the 2015 General Session, the Wyoming Legislature amended the program to authorize the Board to award additional court security grants to eight additional counties: Platte, Goshen, Niobrara, Albany, Big Horn, Crook, Park and Weston (2015 Wyo. Sess. HEA 56, Section 328). The chart below shows the funds appropriated to the Board in 2014 and 2015 and the expenditures as of June 30, 2019. All residual funds not encumbered, as of June 30, 2018, were reverted to the General Fund.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Entity</th>
<th>CMS Approved Grant Amount</th>
<th>As of 6/30/19 Expenditures</th>
<th>Reverted Grant Funds</th>
<th>Remaining Grant Balance</th>
<th>Last Draw Date</th>
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<td>Fremont County</td>
<td>$2,565,515.00</td>
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<td>Goshen County</td>
<td>$84,000.00</td>
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<td>$104.01</td>
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<td>Albany County</td>
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<td>$93,686.74</td>
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<td>Crook County</td>
<td>$82,778.00</td>
<td>$82,778.00</td>
<td>$0</td>
<td>N/A</td>
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<td>Niobrara County</td>
<td>$74,778.00</td>
<td>$44,381.00</td>
<td>$30,397.00</td>
<td>7/7/2016</td>
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<td>Platte County</td>
<td>$53,563.00</td>
<td>$80,386.28</td>
<td>$2,823.72</td>
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<td>Big Horn County</td>
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<td>$131,839.13</td>
<td>$643,950.87</td>
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<td>Weston County</td>
<td>$207,846.00</td>
<td>$57,004.45</td>
<td>$150,841.59</td>
<td>5/23/2019</td>
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<td>Total</td>
<td>$6,907,790.00</td>
<td>$5,130,173.71</td>
<td>$1,803,616.29</td>
<td>$402,428.45</td>
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*County returned grant balance as project was completed, funds reverted to General Fund

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<th>Counties who did not apply for full funding as of 6/30/2019</th>
<th>Amount</th>
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<td>Park County</td>
<td>$82,778.00</td>
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<td>Niobrara County</td>
<td>$2,000.00</td>
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<td>Platte County</td>
<td>$896.00</td>
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<td></td>
<td><strong>$ 7,084,421.00</strong></td>
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During the 2018 Budget Session, the Wyoming Legislature appropriated Four Hundred Thousand Dollars ($400,000) to the Wyoming Supreme Court for court security grants. The funds are only to be expended upon the recommendation of the Wyoming Court Security Commission (Commission). The Commission met on June 26, 2018 and recommended that the funds be distributed according to the following formula:

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Average Cost</th>
<th>Total Need</th>
<th>% of Need</th>
<th>Total Appropriation</th>
<th>State Appropriation</th>
<th>County Match*</th>
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<td>Carbon</td>
<td>$578,375.00</td>
<td>$1,023,112.50</td>
<td>56.53%</td>
<td>$400,000</td>
<td>$226,124</td>
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<td>Converse</td>
<td>$71,162.50</td>
<td>$1,023,112.50</td>
<td>6.96%</td>
<td>$400,000</td>
<td>$27,822</td>
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<td>Hot Springs</td>
<td>$76,737.50</td>
<td>$1,023,112.50</td>
<td>7.50%</td>
<td>$400,000</td>
<td>$30,002</td>
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<td>Lincoln</td>
<td>$89,587.50</td>
<td>$1,023,112.50</td>
<td>8.76%</td>
<td>$400,000</td>
<td>$35,025</td>
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<td>Sheridan</td>
<td>$57,587.50</td>
<td>$1,023,112.50</td>
<td>5.63%</td>
<td>$400,000</td>
<td>$22,515</td>
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<td>Uinta</td>
<td>$90,562.50</td>
<td>$1,023,112.50</td>
<td>8.85%</td>
<td>$400,000</td>
<td>$35,407</td>
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<td>Washakie</td>
<td>$59,100.00</td>
<td>$1,023,112.50</td>
<td>5.78%</td>
<td>$400,000</td>
<td>$23,106</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL</strong></td>
<td>$1,023,112.50</td>
<td>100%</td>
<td></td>
<td>$400,000</td>
<td>$40,000</td>
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Total Court Security Improvements $440,000

On August 14, 2019, a report was provided to the Court Security Commission which detailed the distribution of the $400,000 legislative appropriation to date:

<table>
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<tr>
<th>County Name</th>
<th>Approved Amount</th>
<th>Amount Reimbursed to date:</th>
<th>Balance of Grant Funds Available to County as of August 14, 2019:</th>
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<td>Carbon County</td>
<td>226,124.00</td>
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<td>12,570.30</td>
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<td>30,002.00</td>
<td>3,465.00</td>
<td>26,537.00</td>
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<td>Lincoln County</td>
<td>35,025.00</td>
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<td>Sheridan County</td>
<td>22,515.00</td>
<td>19,298.38</td>
<td>3,216.62</td>
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<td>Uinta County</td>
<td>35,407.00</td>
<td>21,663.24</td>
<td>13,743.76</td>
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<td>Washakie County *</td>
<td>38,435.82</td>
<td>23,342.24</td>
<td>15,093.58</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL</strong></td>
<td>$400,079.12</td>
<td>$115,364.16</td>
<td><strong>284,714.96</strong></td>
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*Washakie Co. was originally granted $25,935.82. On 6/24/19, Amendment One to the Grant Agreement dated 10/30/2018 was executed by the parties, which granted Washakie Co. an additional $12,500.00, for a total award of $38,435.82.

Any unobligated funds remaining will revert on June 30, 2020.
Circuit Court of the Second Judicial District  
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August 21, 2019

Honorable Keith G. Kautz, Chair  
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RE: Security Improvements to 2nd Judicial District, Carbon County

Dear Justice Kautz:

This letter is intended to provide an update to the Wyoming Court Security Commission, the Wyoming Legislature, the Wyoming Supreme Court, and the Honorable Governor Gordon, on security improvements occurring in the 2nd Judicial District, Carbon County. Please feel free to share this update with anyone who might find the information useful.

The legislature’s appropriation of $400,000 for Court Security improvement measures brought some long-standing concerns here in Carbon County to the forefront. When you and Guy Cameron, Director of the Wyoming Office of Homeland Security, visited our courthouse, it provided our County the opportunity to show you where some of the greatest security concerns existed. Additionally, the information contained within the security assessment completed in March 2017 was shared with the commissioners following the visit from the Court Security Commission members. The Wyoming Court Security Commission recommended, and the Wyoming Supreme Court approved, a distribution formula of the available grant funds appropriated by the legislature of up to $226,124, with a required 10% county match of $22,612.

Upon learning of the grant fund proposed distribution, the local Security Committee met and, with approval of the County Commissioners, began working with EKM&P dba Voorhis Associates, Inc., to determine the best utilization of the grant funds to address the concerns expressed in the NCSC security assessment along with some other obvious security concerns. The Committee’s proposal for usage of the funds was to upgrade security camera systems along with monitors which would address some immediate needs in both the District and Circuit Court areas. Additionally, it was proposed that the funds would be used to create an updated and comprehensive screening area outside the Circuit Court which would also provide for some security measures relating to the restroom facilities on the ground floor of the Courthouse.
The Carbon County Commissioners have recognized the need to create a secure Courthouse and still allow for access of citizens to the various elected officials who are currently housed in the Courthouse. As such, the Commissioners proposed a 6th Penny tax to Carbon County. The revenue from that tax was proposed to be utilized for many excellent projects throughout Carbon County and approximately $18 Million from the projected tax would be used for renovations to the Courthouse and the Carbon Building. The Courthouse would then become a justice center where the work of the Courts, law enforcement, public attorneys, and probation and parole would all be housed in one secure location. I am happy to report that the citizens of Carbon County approved the 6th Penny tax and planning is underway to break ground on construction as quickly as possible.

The Carbon County Court Security Committee would like to thank the Wyoming Legislature, former Governor Mead and Governor Gordon, the Wyoming Supreme Court, the Wyoming Court Security Commission, and the Office of Homeland Security for working with us to identify the security needs at our Courthouse and supporting Carbon County while we move forward to create a secure environment for all those in need of utilizing the Courthouse. The Carbon County Commissioners welcomed the sage comments provided by you and Director Cameron and acted based on those remarks. The grant funds approved by the Wyoming Supreme Court have been utilized to upgrade the camera and monitor systems and the remaining funds are now going to be used in the upcoming construction of the justice center to upgrade needed security measures. As noted in our annual security committee report, Carbon County has already undertaken many security enhancements during this last year which include:

- Touch pad locks in Circuit Court and District Court—Carbon County Funds
- Additional Camera views and monitors are installed/some are still in process—funded by Homeland Security Grant funds and the Wyoming Court Security grant funds
- New locks entering the Circuit Courtroom from Circuit Judge’s Chambers and lock on Circuit Court Judge’s chambers door—Carbon County Funds
- Peep holes were installed on the doors leading into the District Courtroom—Carbon County Funds
- Updated lighting and ventilation were added to the Bathroom on the ground-floor of the Courthouse and a ventilation fan was added to the Circuit Court Clerk’s restroom—Carbon County Funds
- Escape Ladders were installed to facilitate exiting in the event of an emergency—Carbon County Funds
- Lock on window in Women’s basement bathroom—Carbon County Funds

All of these improvements, along with the major improvement of a justice center are the direct result of the commitment of all three branches of government, along with Wyoming’s citizens, working together to fund and improve security measures to fulfill constitutional obligations and secure access to the Courts. Thank you for all of the efforts put forth by the Wyoming Court Security Commission in assisting with making Wyoming’s Courts and Public Offices safer. If you, or any other member of the Commission, would
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like to take a tour of the Courthouse to view the improvements taking place, please do not hesitate to contact me and I will see that it is promptly arranged. We are proud of the work taking place here in Carbon County and would be pleased to demonstrate how far things have come and where they are heading.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

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   JOINT APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

FROM: JOE HARTIGAN, COURT SECURITY OFFICER, WY SUPREME COURT

RE: COURT SECURITY INCIDENT REPORT

DATE: SEPTEMBER 1, 2019

The Wyoming Court Security Commission (Commission), established by W.S. § 5-11-101 et seq., continues its work to enhance court security in Wyoming courthouses by partnering with the Court Security Management Committees (local committees) established by Wyoming Court Security Standard 2009-1.

As one of its main objectives, the Commission focuses its efforts on increasing awareness of potential court security situations and risks associated with courthouses across the state. To address this objective, the Commission adopted Standard 2014-1, Incident Reporting. On January 1, 2015, courts in Wyoming began submitting incident reports for security issues happening in their courthouses. As of July 1, 2019, there have been 248 incident reports submitted. Over this past fiscal year there were 43 incident reports submitted, which is a 15% decrease from the 51 reports submitted in the prior fiscal year and a 41% decrease from the 73 reports submitted two years ago. The incidents reported during fiscal year 2019 include the following types of security events:

- 14 Disorderly conduct reports
- 5 Medical emergency reports
- 10 Verbal threat reports
- 3 Emergency fire reports
- 2 Physical assault reports
- 2 Suspicious circumstance reports
- 1 Of each of the following reports: attempt to defraud drug test, suspicious package, interference with peace officer, suicide threat, knife in courtroom, found property, judicial safety intelligence

We do not believe the decrease in the number of incident reports submitted over the past two years is indicative of less events taking place. It is our belief that security incidents in courthouses largely go unreported. Laramie County, which has one of the largest full-time court security staffs in the state, submitted over half of the reports received this past year, while some counties submitted no reports. The Wyoming Court Security Commission will be discussing options to address unreported security issues.

From the reports the Commission receives, there is every indication that courthouses present special challenges in terms of security. A year ago, we highlighted a case where an inmate powered over a Court Security Officer, took the officer’s weapon and used it to steal a vehicle after he escaped from the courthouse. In the past year, there was an incident where a court clerk received a call from a party who was threatening suicide. The clerk was able to keep the individual on the line while the court security officer arranged for law enforcement to respond to the person’s residence. Police contacted the person while she was still on the phone with the court clerk, potentially avoiding a terrible outcome.

To effectively address the security issues in Wyoming courthouses, a collective knowledge of these incidents and security events is imperative and emphasizes the importance of having adequate security in every courthouse. The incident reports provide an important tool for local court security committees in identifying what actions were effective in a given incident and what security practices need to be improved.
Wyoming Court Security Commission
Minutes
May 22, 2019

The Wyoming Court Security Commission met on May 22, 2019. Wyoming Court Security Commission members in attendance via personal appearance, video or phone were: Deputy Director Leland Christensen, Justice Keith Kautz, Judge Marv Tyler, Judge Wes Roberts, Representative Jared Olsen, Commissioner Mike Colling, Director Steve Woodson, County Attorney Daniel Erramouspe, and Sheriff Scott Matheny. Supreme Court personnel Ronda Munger, Joe Hartigan and Becky Craig also attended.

Call to Order – Deputy Director Christensen, Chairman
Leland Christensen, Deputy Director of the Office of Homeland Security, opened the meeting. He welcomed and thanked the members for attending.

Wyoming Court Security Commission Chairman
Deputy Director Christensen gave a brief history of the people who have held the position of chairman of the Wyoming Court Security Commission. He pointed out that the staffing for the commission in the past has rotated between the Wyoming Office of Homeland Security and the Wyoming Supreme Court according to who is chairing the commission. Wyoming Statute 5-11-101(f) states that “The supreme court shall provide necessary administrative support for the commission.” Deputy Director Christensen commented that due to the challenges that are created when the chairman position is held by someone outside of the supreme court, but the staffing is provided by the supreme court, past chairmen have used their own staff for the sake of convenience. He advised that he reached out and confirmed with the supreme court that they too feel that when the chairman doesn’t work where the staff is located, it becomes unwieldy and cumbersome to effectively carry on the work of the commission. Deputy Director Christensen suggested to the members that the position of chairman be rotated back to the supreme court and that Justice Kautz be appointed to that position. Justice Kautz responded that he would agree to serve as chairman. Justice Kautz commented that there is no clear direction in the statutes as to who chairs the commission or how the designation is made. He has looked more to the historical precedent and the practicality of having the chairman and the staffing in close proximity. Judge Roberts moved, seconded by Commissioner Colling, to appoint Justice Kautz as Chairman of the Wyoming Court Security Commission. The motion passed unanimously. Sheriff Matheny moved, seconded by Commissioner Colling, to appoint Leland Christensen as Vice-Chairman of the Wyoming Court Security Commission. The motion passed unanimously.

Deputy Director Christensen thanked the commission members and said he was honored to have served as chairman—even if only for 15 minutes. He turned the meeting over to Justice Kautz. Justice Kautz expressed his thanks and commented that he will propose to Chief Justice Davis that an order be entered appointing the chairman, vice-chairman and members of the commission.
Approve Minutes of June 26, 2018 Meeting
Justice Kautz addressed the next order of business on the agenda: approval of the minutes from the June 26, 2018 meeting. He asked for comments, additions, corrections or changes. There being none, Judge Tyler moved, seconded by Commissioner Colling, to approve the June 26, 2018 minutes as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

2018 Legislative Appropriation ($400,000) – Update on Grant Awards + Additional Requests
Ronda Munger delivered a report on the distribution of the Legislature’s $400,000 appropriation that was put into the Supreme Court’s budget in 2018. She explained the grant process for the seven (7) counties that were offered and carried through with submission of their applications for the funds: Carbon, Converse, Hot Springs, Lincoln, Sheridan, Uinta and Washakie. Ronda reported that of the $387,500 that were granted to these counties, the court has paid out just over $64,000 in reimbursements of expenditures to date. An additional request for reimbursement is expected from Converse County in a few days; they have completed their projects. (Ronda added that even better news is that Carbon County’s grant monies served as seed money for a much bigger project. A bond initiative that recently passed in that county for infrastructure improvements (a 6th Penny Tax) will allocate 18 million dollars to consolidating the offices that deal with criminal justice functions into the existing courthouse—thereby creating a justice center—and consolidating the county’s administrative offices into the existing Carbon Building.) Once the authorized grant reimbursement requests for the $400,000 appropriation are processed, there will be a remaining balance of $12,500.00. Five (5) requests were received after notification was sent to the local court security management committees about the remaining funds being opened up to all the counties. Requests were received from the following counties: Albany $8,550; Crook $7,107; Goshen $9,545; Teton $5,243; and Washakie $15,988. Lengthy discussion was held about the grant requests. Judge Tyler moved, seconded by Judge Roberts, that the remaining $12,500.00 in grant funds be awarded to Washakie County since their request was supported by a courthouse security assessment that was conducted in 2016. The motion passed unanimously. Ronda will prepare the paperwork that will award $12,500 in funds to Washakie County, and she will notify the county commissioners that they can move forward with their project.

Next Steps:

July 1, 2019 Deadline for Local Court Security Committee Reports
Ronda advised the commission that Joe Hartigan, the Court Security Officer for the Wyoming Supreme Court, will be sending email reminders to each county’s local court security management committee to submit their annual report by July 1, 2019.

September 1, 2018 WCSC Annual Report
Ronda reminded the commission members that the Wyoming Court Security Commission’s annual report to the Joint Appropriations, the Joint Judiciary, the Governor and the Chief Justice is due September 1, 2019. The report will largely be based on the annual reports of the local court security management committees and will also contain a discussion of the status of the $400,000 grant monies the legislature provided in 2018.
Action Items
An open conversation was held among the members as to what the commission has done well and what it needs to work on in the future. Lengthy discussion was held about the actions the commission should take in the next year that will bring awareness in the state to the need for courthouse security.

Justice Kautz reviewed the suggestions that were made during this portion of the meeting:

- Move the location of the two (2) meetings per year that the commission is required to hold to various locations around the state;
- Schedule routine site visits across the state and emphasize the importance of consistent activity by each county’s local court security management committee;
- Review the standards and consider creating a self-audit standard;
- Explore alternative methods of conducting assessments;
- Investigate options for creating a permanent revenue stream for court security;
- Establish a routine method of sharing the incident reports among the commission members;
- At the August 2019 meeting, review the July 1st Annual Reports, discuss them, and if possible, ascertain if the counties’ needs can be prioritized from those reports; if not, include in the report forms the information that will enable the commission to do so; and
- Consider formally appointing the chairman, vice-chairman and members of the Wyoming Court Security Commission by Order of the Supreme Court. Consider creating rules for the commission within the framework of W.S. 5-11-101.

Next Meeting – Justice Keith Kautz, Chairman
The next meeting date will be August 14, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. in Riverton, Wyoming.

Meeting Adjourned

Actions Taken:

1. Justice Kautz was nominated and approved by the members as Chairman of the Wyoming Court Security Commission; Leland Christensen was nominated and approved by the members as Vice-Chairman of the Wyoming Court Security Commission.

2. The commission approved the minutes from its June 26, 2018, meeting.

3. The remaining $12,500 in court security grant funds were awarded to Washakie County.
Action Items:

1. Justice Kautz will propose to Chief Justice Davis that an order be entered appointing the chairman, vice-chairman and members of this commission, and that operating rules be created for the commission.

2. Ronda will prepare the paperwork that will award the remaining $12,500 in court security grant funds to Washakie County and will notify the county commissioners that they can move forward with their project.

3. Joe Hartigan, the Court Security Officer for the Wyoming Supreme Court, will email reminders to each county’s local court security management committee to submit their annual reports by July 1, 2019.
WYOMING COURT SECURITY COMMISSION
LOCAL COURT SECURITY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEES

ALBANY COUNTY
Tori R. A. Kricken – District Court Judge, Chairman
Robert A. Castor – Circuit Court Judge
Devon O’Connell – Albany County Bar Association
Heber Richardson – Albany County Commissioner
Peggy Trent – Albany County Attorney
Roy Torres – Albany County Maintenance Supervisor
Dave O’Malley – Albany County Sheriff

BIG HORN COUNTY
Kenneth Blackburn – Big Horn County Sheriff, Chairman
Bobbi Overfield – District Court Judge
Edward Luhm – Circuit Court Judge
Randy Royal – Circuit Court Magistrate
Marcia Bean – Big Horn County Attorney
Deb Rathbun – Secretary, Sheriff’s Office
Felix Carrizales – Chairman of County Commissioners
Jeremy Pouska – County Maintenance
Serena Lipp – District Court Clerk
Lori Smallwood – County Clerk
Diane Nuttall – Chief Circuit Court Clerk
Debbie Cook – Jail Captain
Keri Wiliske – Administrative Assistant, Sheriff’s Office
LaRae Dobbs – EMC

CAMPBELL COUNTY
Scott Mooney – Court Security Sergeant, Chairman
John Perry – District Court Judge
Scott Matheny – Campbell County Sheriff
Jim Hloucal – Douglas Chief of Police
Wendy Bartlett – Circuit Court Judge
Ron Wirthwein – County Attorney

CARBON COUNTY
Susan Stipe – Circuit Court Judge, Chairman
Dawnessa Snyder – District Court Judge
Archie Roybal – Carbon County Sheriff
Lauretta Sheller – District Court Judicial Assistant
Mara Sanger – District Court Clerk
Jennette Hagan – Chief Circuit Court Clerk
Mishell Howard – Deputy Sheriff
Gwynn Bartlett – County Clerk
John Espy – Carbon County Commissioner
Jim Piche – Carbon County Buildings & Grounds Manager
CONVERSE COUNTY
F. Scott Peasley – District Court Judge, Chairman
I. Vincent Case – Circuit Court Judge
Brenda Ramseier – District Court Judicial Assistant
Cameo Rhamy – Chief Circuit Court Clerk
Pam McCullough – District Court Clerk
Russ Dalgarn – Emergency Management Coordinator
Mike Colling – Converse County Commissioner
Clint B. Becker – Converse County Sheriff
Kim Wright – CPL-Civil, Court Security, Transport
Adam Alvarado – Lieutenant, Detention
Don Gushurst – Maintenance Supervisor

CROOK COUNTY
Thomas W. Rumpke – District Court Judge, Chairman
Matthew Castano – Circuit Court Judge
Christina “Tina” Wood – District Court Clerk
Cindi Baudhui – Chief Circuit Court Clerk
Jeff Hodge – Crook County Sheriff
Joe Baron – Crook County Attorney
Jeanne Whalen – Crook County Commissioner

FREMONT COUNTY
Landers Court Security Committee
Phil Holder – Sheriff’s Office/Court Security, Chairman
Robert Denhardt – Circuit Court Judge
Lorelie Calvert – Chief Circuit Court Clerk
Ryan Lee – Fremont County Sheriff
John Zerga – Lieutenant, Fremont County Sheriff’s Office
Rachelle Fontaine – Staff Attorney for District Court Judge
Patrick Lebrun – Fremont County Attorney
J.R. Oakley – Fremont County Maintenance
Mike Jones – Fremont County Commissioner

FREMONT COUNTY
Riverton Court Security Committee
Wes Roberts – Circuit Court Judge, Chairman
Wendy Sutherland – Chief Circuit Court Clerk
Ryan Lee – Fremont County Sheriff
Mike Hutchinson – Fremont County Undersheriff
Sarah Trehearne – Lieutenant, Fremont County Sheriff’s Office
Cris Rohrbacher – Sergeant, Fremont County Sheriff’s Office
Patrick LeBrun – Fremont County Attorney
J.R Oakley – Fremont County Building Superintendent
Kathi Metzler – Fremont County Emergency Management Coordinator
Todd Byerly – Captain, Riverton Police Department
Travis Becker – Fremont County Commissioner
GOSHEN COUNTY
Kory K. Fleenor – Goshen County Sheriff, Chairman
Patrick Korell – District Court Judge
Cindy Kenyon – County Clerk/Grant Coordinator (SLIB)
Nathaniel Hibben – Circuit Court Judge
John Ellis – Goshen County Commissioner
Shelly Kirchhefer – Emergency Management Coordinator/Grant Coordinator (SHSP)
Tony Richard – Maintenance Supervisor
Eric Boyer – County Attorney
Brandi Correa – District Court Clerk
Jesse Bowen – IT Department Supervisor
Cydney Sharp – County Attorney Asst.
Gail Babbitt – District Court Judicial Assistant

HOT SPRINGS COUNTY
Tom Ryan – County Commissioner, Chairman
Phillip Scheel – County Commissioner
Jack Baird – County Commissioner
Bobbi Overfield – District Court Judge
Edward Luhm – Circuit Court Judge
Terri Cornella – District Court Clerk
April Andreen – Chief Circuit Court Clerk
Daniel Webber – County Assessor
Rosemary DeSeyn – County Clerk
Julie Mortimore – County Treasurer
Jerimie Kraushaar – Hot Springs County Sheriff
Jill Logan – County Attorney
Curtis Cheney – Deputy County Attorney
Julie Mathews – Chief of Police
Anthony Fruciano – Courthouse Maintenance

JOHNSON COUNTY
Rod Odenbach – Johnson County Sheriff, Chairman
Pat Monroe – Johnson County Undersheriff
Wes Killian – Captain/Jail Administrator
Colter Chapman – Sargent
Tucker Ruby – County Attorney
William Edelman – District Court Judge
Shelley Cundiff – Circuit Court Judge
Paul G. Jarvis – Circuit Court Magistrate
Paige Rhoads – District Court Clerk
Sylvia Mannering – Chief Circuit Court Clerk
Bob Perry – Johnson County Commissioner
Linda Greenough – Johnson County Commissioner
Bill Novotny – Johnson County Commissioner
Marilyn Connolly – Emergency Management
Dave Eads – Facilities Manager
LARAMIE COUNTY
Denise Nau – Circuit Court Judge, Chairman
Steven K. Sharpe – District Court Judge
Amber Ash – Laramie County Commissioner
Mark Voss – Laramie County Attorney
Chris Wegner – Building Maintenance
Diane Sanchez – District Court Clerk
Don Hollingshead – Lieutenant, Laramie County Sheriff’s Department
Timothy Johnson – Sergeant, Laramie County Sheriff’s Department
Michael Parker – Cpl, Laramie County Sheriff’s Department
Susan Sweeney – Risk Manager
Rick Fortney – IT Department

LINCOLN COUNTY
Joseph Bluemel – District Court Judge, Chairman
Gregory Corpening – Circuit Court Judge
Shane Johnson – Lincoln County Sheriff
John Stetzenbach – Lincoln County Sheriff’s Office
Steve Dillree – Court Security
Kent Connelly – Lincoln County Commissioner
Bob King – Lincoln County Commissioner
Debbie Larson – Lincoln County Assessor
April Brunski – Lincoln County Clerk
Jerry Greenfield – Lincoln County Treasurer
Ken Roberts – District Court Clerk
Kent Brown – Public Defender’s Office
Destry Dearden – IT/GIS Dept.
Blaine Nelson – Deputy County Attorney
Matt Mochel – Maintenance

NATRONA COUNTY
Catherine Wilking – District Court Judge, Chairman
Rob Hendry – Natrona County Commissioner
Steve Brown – Circuit Court Judge
Mark Sellers – Natrona County Undersheriff
Lisa Bush – Natrona County Lieutenant
Gordon Schuler – IT Supervisor, Natrona County
Chad Beckett – Natrona County Deputy

NIORARA COUNTY
F. Scott Peasley – District Court Judge, Chairman
Elaine Griffith – Niobrara County Commissioner
Chrisanna Lund – District Court Clerk
Dennis Meier – Circuit Court Magistrate
Sarah Smith – Chief Circuit Court Clerk
Cary Gill – Niobrara County Sheriff
Kelly Dean – Sheriff’s Department
Ashley Clark – Deputy
Gwen Riter – Detention Lieutenant
Anne Wasserburger – County Attorney
PARK COUNTY
Scott Steward – Park County Sheriff, Chairman
William Simpson – District Court Judge
Bruce Waters – Circuit Court Judge
Bryan Skoric – Park County Attorney
Jake Fulkerson – Chairman of Park County Commissioners

PLATTE COUNTY
Patrick Korell – District Court Judge, Chairman
Nathaniel Hibben – Circuit Court Judge
Scott Cole – Circuit Court Magistrate
Mona McAuley – District Court Clerk
Alanna Lee – Chief Circuit Court Clerk
Clyde Harris – Platte County Sheriff
Terry Stevenson – Emergency Management Coordinator
Jim DeWitt – Maintenance Supervisor
Doug Weaver – Platte County Attorney
Malcom Ervin – Platte County Clerk
Steve Shockey – Platte County Commissioner
Sandy Kontour – Platte County Commissioner
Ivon Jolovich – Platte County Commissioner
Stephanie Morgans – Grant Coordinator

SHERIDAN COUNTY
John J. Fenn – District Court Judge, Chairman
Allen Thompson – Sheridan County Sheriff
Steve Matheson – Courthouse Deputy
William Edelman – District Court Judge
Shelley Cundiff – Circuit Court Judge
Renee’ Obermueller – County Commissioner Administrative Director
Mike Morris – Facilities Manager
Dianna Bennett – County Attorney
Ashton Hoyt – Detention Sergeant
Levi Dominguez – Lieutenant

SUBLETTE COUNTY
Curt A. Haws – Circuit Court Judge, Co-Chairman
Tyson Gulbrandson – Deputy Sheriff, Co-Chairman
David Burnett – Sublette County Commissioner
K. C. Lehr – Sublette County Sheriff
Carrie Long – Sublette County Clerk
Marv Tyler – District Court Judge
Janet Montgomery – Clerk of District Court
Mike Christie – County IT Department
Andre’ Irey – County Maintenance Department
SWEETWATER COUNTY
Nena James – District Court Judge, Chairman
Craig Jones – Circuit Court Judge, Vice-Chair
John Grossnickle – Sweetwater County Sheriff
Dan Erramouspe – Sweetwater County Attorney
David Johnson – Sergeant, Attendee
Crystal Lopez – Lieutenant, Attendee

TETON COUNTY
Michael Crook – Corporal, Court Security, Chairman
Tim Day – District Court Judge
James Radda – Circuit Court Judge
Erin Munk – Chief Circuit Court Clerk
Anne Sutton – District Court Clerk
Erin Weisman – Teton County Attorney
Alyssa Watkins – Board of County Commissioners - Administrator
Mark Newcomb – Teton County Commissioner
Matt Carr – Teton County Sheriff
Chett Hooper – Lieutenant, Teton County Sheriff’s Office
Paul Cote – County Facilities Manager
Todd Fletcher – County IT Manager

UINTA COUNTY
Joseph Bluemel – District Court Judge, Chairman
Michael Greer – Circuit Court Judge
Doug Matthews – Uinta County Sheriff
Loretta Howieson – Uinta County Attorney
Rowdy Dean – Chief Deputy Sheriff
Terry Brimhall – Uinta County Treasurer
Amanda Hutchinson – Uinta County Clerk
Lori Perkins – Uinta County Assessor
Kerri Wright – District Court Clerk
Clay Baird – Maintenance Supervisor
Kim West – Emergency Management
Dean Podzamsky – Communications
Matias Taliercio – Court Security
Kent Brown – Public Defender’s Office

WASHAKIE COUNTY
Steve Rakness – Washakie County Sheriff, Chairman
Terry Wolf – Washakie County Commissioner
John Worrall – Washakie County Attorney
Bobbi Overfield – District Court Judge
Edward Luhm – Circuit Court Judge
SuzAnn Whitlock – Clerk of District Court
Tommy Rutherford – Detention Deputy
Tom Schmeltzer – County Maintenance Foreman
WESTON COUNTY
Michael Deegan – District Court Judge, Chairman
Matthew F. G. Castano – Circuit Court Judge, Vice-Chairman
Brian Colvard – Weston County Sheriff
Alex Berger – Weston County & Prosecuting Attorney
Gidget Macke – District Court Clerk (Recording Secretary)
Barb Munger – Chief Circuit Court Clerk
Marty Ertman – County Commissioner
Tony Barton – Chairman of County Commissioners (Ex Officio Member)