

Village of Cottage Grove  
Meeting

Notice of Public

PEER COURT STEERING COMMITTEE

Tuesday, March 15, 2022

5:00 P.M.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this meeting will take place virtually via Zoom. Please join the meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone by visiting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88921573820?pwd=d3poZUwzeFZjRUx6dHY0VEhsb3BDZz09>. You can also participate via phone by dialing 1 312 626 6799 and use Meeting ID 889 2157 3820# When asked for your Participant ID, just press # when asked for the Passcode enter 221.

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1. Call To Order
2. Determination Of Quorum And That The Agenda Was Properly Posted
3. PUBLIC APPEARANCES-Public's Opportunity To Speak About Any Subject That Is Not A Specific Agenda Item
4. Discuss And Consider Approval Of Minutes Of The January 18, 2022 Meeting.

Documents:

[1-18-22 PEER COURT MINUTES.PDF](#)

5. Report From Briarpatch Youth Services.
  - a. Updates from Briarpatch.
  - b. Discuss community panel for Cottage Grove regarding auto thefts.
6. Future Agenda Items.
7. Set Next Meeting Date And Time.
8. Adjournment

This agenda has been prepared by Staff and approved by the Village President as Chair of the Peer Court Steering Committee for use at the meeting as listed above. Any item on the agenda is subject to final action. Notice: Persons needing special accommodations should call 608-839-4704 at least 24 hours prior to the meeting. It is possible that members of and possibly a quorum of members of other governmental bodies may be in attendance at the above stated meeting to gather information; no action will be taken by any governmental body at the above-stated meeting other than the governmental body specifically referred to above in this notice.

# Peer Court Minutes

Tuesday, January 18, 2022

Meeting started at 5:01 PM.

A quorum was determined, and the meeting was properly posted.

Present at the meeting:

David Peterson  
Jill Rinzel  
Claudia Parkes  
Melissa Ratcliff  
Mark Hepfinger  
Jay Kiefer

Mark made a motion to approve the minutes from 11/16/21's meeting as written. Jill seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Claudia discussed 2021 carry-over case load (which is also the open & pending cases). Claudia also gave Sun Prairie's numbers for comparison.

Claudia asked Jay to speak about recent auto thefts. Briar Patch is working with Dane County to address car thefts. About 40 or so teenagers are the main actors driving these thefts. Many of these individuals have been to juvenile detention before and it has generally not worked to date. A larger group of teenagers are also joining these main actors making the thefts seem larger than they really are. Briar Patch is working with current youth justice partners, Dane County Human Services, and the adult restorative groups to come up with solutions for the main actors.

Future agenda items:

1. Updates from Briar Patch
2. Discuss community panel for Cottage Grove regarding auto thefts

Next meeting: Tuesday, March 15, 2022 @ 5 PM

Mark made a motion to adjourn. Jill seconded. Motion carried 3-0 and the meeting adjourned at 5:23 PM.