**DUI TASK FORCE MEETING**

**MINUTES – March 8, 2023**

The Granite County DUI Task Force met on Wednesday, March 8, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. in open meeting at the Granite County Courthouse’s District Courtroom for the rescheduled March meeting. The meeting was called to order by County Attorney, Blaine Bradshaw at 1:02 p.m as Sheriff Scott Dunkerson was unable to attend. Task Force members in attendance included the following: Blaine Bradshaw, Granite County Attorney; Claudette Parke, Granite County Attorney’s Office (non-voting); Jackie Bolster, DES/Safety Coordinator; Debbie Robinson, Public Health Nurse; Dirk Sichveland; Sgt. Dave Oliverson, Montana Highway Patrol; Jennifer Robinson and Dawn Ries, Prevention Specialist for Granite County.

County Attorney Blaine Bradshaw noted that a quorum was present for this meeting.

**Reading of the Minutes:** The meeting minutes from September 7, 2022 were reviewed and approved. A motion for approval of the September 7, 2022 minutes was made by Jackie Bolster and seconded by MHP Sgt. Dave Oliverson with all voting in favor of the motion.

**FINANCIALS:**  Sheriff Scott Dunkerson had provided an email prior to the meeting that showed the task force was received showing $100 reinstatement fees that were received that quarter and that they would continue to come due to the DUI Task Force Plan that is in effect. County Attorney, Blaine Bradshaw stated that there would be a current DUI Task Force account balance provided at the next meeting.

**MIP/DUI REPORT:** County Attorney, Blaine Bradshaw stated that there were no MIP’s pending since the last meeting and that there was at least one current Felony DUI. MHP Sgt. Oliverson stated that there were 9 DUI’s in Granite County for 2022 that were handled by MHP.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Jennifer Robinson inquired about whether an event planner would have to file a permit at the courthouse when planning an event. There was some discussion about the alcohol permit that is needed for events and that the permits provide funding for the task force.

Jackie Bolster shared that Steve Schmidt would be at the schools on May 8, 2023 doing a presentation about Impacting Teen Drivers – Saying no to Drinking. Jackie shared that Anaconda-Deer Lodge County Attorney, Ben Krakowka had participated in a presentation on January 20th at the Granite Schools regarding online safety, specifically, cyber bullying and discussed what apps to look for. She stated that she noticed a change in the outlook of those that participated in the pre and post questionnaire as those that felt like their parents didn’t have a right to look at their phones prior to the presentation but afterward felt like they definitely did.

Jackie also stated that the Run, Hide and Fight training for the Courthouse employees was going to be rescheduled soon.

Dawn Reis, GC Prevention Specialist, stated that she had a speaker planned for the both the schools in Granite County. Andy Durran, would be speaking about Marijuana and that the funding was already available. Another possibility she had was John Underwood who presents with a group of Navy Seals. She stated that there was possible grant money for these activities.

Dawn also stated that she had been trained to provide Responsible Alcohol (RA) classes and would be willing to do them in person or online when necessary, if there was a need in the county. She is currently doing the PFL (Prime for Life) training with her focus on juvenile classes. She was not yet certified.

MHP Sgt. Oliverson, stated that the MHP also did Alive @ 25 classes once a month at the Butte Justice Center. He stated that they are normally ordered by the Court but that a parent could request their youth attend if they wanted and that is was free to attend.

There was some discussion about New Members and Jackie Bolster stated that she knew a couple students in Drummond who may be interested and that she would reach out to see if they would. County Attorney, Blaine Bradshaw stated that he would request a notice be put in the paper to see if there would be a community member who would be interested in joining the task force.

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**  The Task Force listed the following upcoming events: St. Patrick Day activities; and Mud Boggs in May at the Rodeo Grounds in Drummond

**NEW BUSINESS:**  County Attorney, Blaine Bradshaw, stated that one of the Drummond School Buses was needing a new camera as the task force had originally funded the cameras for the buses at both schools. Jackie Bolster motioned for approval for the Task Force to provide reasonable funds to the Sheriff to replace the camera on the buses as necessary. The motion was seconded by Sgt. Oliverson and passed unanimously when voted upon.

Dirk Sichveland brought up that the burner phone that he had for use to provide safe rides during county events to those who are unable to drive was up for renewal and asked the task force if he should renew it. A motion was made by Sgt. Oliverson to approve the renewal of the phone for Mr. Sichveland. The motion was seconded by Jackie Bolster and all voted in favor of the motion.

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**  None were discussed

**NEXT MEETING:** Wednesday, September 6, 2023 at 1:00 pm in the Granite County Courthouse District Courtroom. Meetings are held, per the by-laws, on the first Wednesday of March, May, September and December.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** No public comment.

The meeting adjourned at 1:27 p.m.