

**Whatcom County
Council Criminal Justice and Public Safety Committee**

**COUNTY COURTHOUSE
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Committee Minutes - Final

Tuesday, September 12, 2023

2 PM

Hybrid Meeting

**HYBRID MEETING - ADJOURNS BY 2:15 P.M. (PARTICIPATE IN-PERSON, SEE
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COUNCILMEMBERS

Barry Buchanan
Tyler Byrd
Carol Frazey

CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Dana Brown-Davis, C.M.C.

Call To Order

Committee Chair Barry Buchanan called the meeting to order at 2 p.m. in a hybrid meeting.

Roll Call

Present: 2 - Barry Buchanan, and Carol Frazey

Absent: 1 - Tyler Byrd

Also Present: Kaylee Galloway

Announcements

Special Presentation

1. [AB2023-425](#) Report from District Court Probation

The following people reported:

- Bruce Van Glubt, District Court Administrator
- Jake Wiebusch, District Court Probation
- Judge Angela Anderson, District Court

They answered whether they are seeing less reoccurrence of domestic violence because of the domestic violence programs, and whether they are seeing more people showing up to probation meetings because of District Court's text messaging system. Wiebusch stated text messaging has resulted in an increase in appointments made and in court appearances. As for domestic violence, they will be looking at that going forward and getting some further statistics. Judge Anderson stated it is removing a barrier. The speakers answered whether they are having any backlogs in District Court and stated they are seeing an increase in workload and maybe some backlog, but they are not overwhelmed by it.

This agenda item was REPORTED.

Items Added by Revision

There were no agenda items added by revision.

Other Business

There was no other business.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:18 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Barry Buchanan-via email 10/2/2023

Dana Brown-Davis, Council Clerk

Barry Buchanan, Committee Chair

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