

### ORDINANCE 87 - 37

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE DESIGNATION OF THE SHERIFF OF NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA, AS THE CHIEF CORRECTIONAL OFFICER OF THE COUNTY CORRECTIONAL SYSTEM; PROVIDING FOR BUDGETARY REVIEW OF THE CHIEF CORRECTIONAL OFFICER'S BUDGET; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, Florida Statutes, Section 951.061, was amended by the Legislature, to provide that the Sheriff may be designated as the Chief Correctional Officer of the County, and;

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners and the Sheriff of Nassau County have had lengthy discussions about the Jail and the proper method of operating said Jail, and;

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners finds that it is in the best interest of the citizens of Nassau County that the Sheriff be designated as the Chief Correctional Officer of the County Correctional System, and;

WHEREAS, the Sheriff has consented to said appointment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED this 26th day of May, 1987.

### SECTION 1. TITLE.

This Ordinance shall be known as the "Nassau County Jail Ordinance".

# SECTION 2. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Ordinance is to designate the Sheriff of Nassau County as the Chief Correctional Officer of the County Correctional System of Nassau County, and to provide budgetary controls.

### SECTION 3. CHIEF CORRECTIONAL OFFICER

- 1. The Sheriff of Nassau County is hereby designated the Chief Correctional Officer of the County, and he is responsible to appoint correctional officers.
- 2. The Sheriff, as Chief Correctional Officer shall appoint correctional officers based upon the budget approved by the Board of County Commissioners.
- 3. The Sheriff or his designated Jail Administrator shall enforce all existing State laws and Administrative Rules of the Department of Corrections concerning the operation and maintenance of County Jails.
- 4. Salaries for said correctional officers shall be paid from the general revenue fund and shall be included by the Sheriff in his proposed budget of expenditures for the maintenance and operation of the County Jail.
- 5. The Sheriff or his designated Jail Administrator shall be responsible to insure that the facility is operated in

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accordance with the Department of Corrections requirements and all other existing State Laws.

- 6. The Sheriff or his Jail Administrator shall be responsible to insure that any deficiencies noted by the Department of Corrections are addressed and corrected.
- 7. The Sheriff shall insure that all Correctional Officers and the Jail Administrator are properly trained and certified pursuant to State Law. All individuals hired as Correctional Officers shall meet Department of Corrections requirements upon hiring unless written waivers are obtained from the Department.

# SECTION 4. MONETARY CONTROL

The Sheriff of Nassau County shall, when submitting his annual budget to the Board of County Commissioners, provide a separate budgetary request, within his overall budget, for the Nassau County Detention Facility. Said budget shall include salaries for correctional officers as well funds for the maintenance and operation of the Detention Facility.

- a. The approved detention facility budget shall be utilized by the Sheriff for the Nassau County Detention Facility as set forth herein only and for no other purpose other than the Detention Facility.
- b. The Sheriff of Nassau County shall submit, monthly, to the Board of County Commissioners, a statement indicating monies receipted and expended on behalf of the Nassau County Detention Facility. Said quarterly statements shall be signed by the Sheriff and reviewed by the Board of County Commissioners at their appropriate meeting.

# SECTION 5. SUPPLEMENTAL MONIES

The Board shall provide no additional monies except for items that pertain to the major structure of the Detention Facility (i.e. roof, support walls). Reports to the Board of County Commissioners from the Sheriff of Nassau County, in his capacity as Chief Correctional Officer, shall submit a monthly report to the Board regarding the Detention Facility and provide the Board with all copies of correspondence between the Sheriff and the Department of Corrections.

## SECTION 6. REPORTS

The Sheriff, in his capacity as Chief Correctional Officer, shall report monthly to the Board of County Commissioners regarding the Detention facility. In addition, copies of all correspondence regarding said Detention facility between the Sheriff or his Jail Administrator and the Department of Corrections or any other entity shall immediately be provided to the Board.

### SECTION 7. TERMINATION

The appointment of the Sheriff as the Chief Correctional Officer may be terminated upon the vote of the County Commissioners.

## SECTION 8. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall take effect upon being filed with the Secretary of State.

> BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: <u>Sene R. Blackwelder</u> Gene R. Blackwelder Its: Chairman

Attest:

Ex-Officio Clerk