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STRYKER – Nearly 50 US Marshal inmates were returned to Mahoning County from CCNO at the beginning of June. Earlier this year President Biden had signed an executive order that prevented federal inmates from being housed in private correctional facilities like Northeast Ohio Correctional Center (NEOCC).

The US Marshals reached out to CCNO officials after the order came out and requested any possible bed space while a more long-term solution could be developed. “It was a hard spot for them to be in with barely any notice. A few of our members had beds they weren’t using and were willing to temporarily rent them to the Marshals. So we helped them out,” commented Dennis Sullivan. “We had about 50 inmates from NEOCC for just around two months, and they were very well behaved during their time at CCNO. The Marshals were very appreciative of the help. They think very highly of CCNO and our staff.”

In other business of the board, inmate programming will soon be overseen by Midwest Recovery Center out of Toledo. Jail officials will be working with the Four County ADAMhs Board on applying for a grant that may help offset programming costs.

The board also proved their desire to renovate a unit within the 31-year old jail by offering to contribute \$1 million to the project; renovation costs were estimated at around \$3 million. A capital improvement grant is being offered statewide and CCNO will be applying in hopes of receiving some funding to make that project attainable.

Brandon Rhodes, Defiance County, was the April team member of the month for taking on the responsibility of the video court post. The May team member was Chris Batt, also from Defiance County. Chris has discovered contraband coming through the mail on several occasions and has prevented it from getting into the units.

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The board also approved union negotiations and extended a contract with GTL for an additional two years.

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