

SBOC letter to Franklin County

September 13, 2012

Gary McGrane, Franklin County Commissioner
Fred Hardy, Franklin County Commissioner
Clyde Barker, Franklin County Commissioner
140 Main Street, Suite 3
Farmington, ME 04938

Re: Request for mission change of County Detention Center

Dear Commissioners:

I am in receipt of your letter dated September 4, 2012, requesting that the Board of Corrections return Franklin County Detention Center to “the status of a full jail.” Your letter will be presented to the Board for review at its next meeting on September 18.

As you know, pursuant to 34-A M.R.S. § 1803(2)(A) the Board has the authority to determine the use of each individual correctional facility. I anticipate that the Board will review your request and provide me with feedback on what materials (e.g., staffing matrix, capital improvement needs, cost analysis, inmate population data, evidence-based studies) you should submit in order to substantiate the need for your request. I also hope to receive feedback from the Board on what procedures it will follow in considering your request. I will report back to you after the Board meeting.

Please don't hesitate to call me if you have questions in the meantime.

Sincerely,

Michael Tausek
Executive Director