Source Reports: Problems at Cleveland County Jail!!! Racism, beating of a restrained inmate, more deaths expected!!! All Covered-Up!!!??? Jails over Schools in Cleveland County!!! WHY??? Source Report/Gossip and Comments by Robert A. Williams

Editor's Note: The following report was sent to me by a trusted source. It is provided for your review exactly as received. I will call it as "gossip" to protect the identity of the source. Also note that recently the County "settled" a lawsuit, regarding the death of a jail inmate killed by another inmate, for \$300,000.

## Source Report:

You have always kept my name out and please continue to do so. I have copied a part of an email I got from a friend. Sounds like this needs to be exposed and investigated.

You ask me how things were going at the jail. In one word awful. There is so much racism. The blacks are out to get the whites and the whites out to get the blacks. Things are getting covered up and I think it's because of election year. I think you may know her but deputy Spurrier hit a guy while he was in the restraint chair. His legs and arms tied down

and she hit him. It was on tape. No investigation, she wasn't charged just told to go home. If that would have been me, I would have been charged and put in here but rumor has it that the Sheriff didn't want any bad light on the department. I just wish somehow the State or inspector would come in here and look at that. You just don't hit a man when he is strapped down. The big money the county had to pay out for a death is only a small part of what's going to happen. We can't get help and the Sheriff only comes down to eat free food. He never comes out on the pods and talks to us and ask how's it going. The jail means nothing to him. More people are going to die in the place mark my word. There is just so much stuff that gets swept under the rug. It will all come out hopefully. All of us are hoping so.

Editor's Note, Part 2: a copy of this report has been sent directly to the Sheriff, the Commissioners, Cleveland County Manager Brian Epley, the District Attorney and others. Although I have called this report "gossip" to protect the identity of my source, such reports should be fully investigated and resolved as necessary. Election or not!

Also, the Cleveland County Commissioners, at the December 7, 2021 Commissioners Meeting approved, by a 3 to one vote, the hiring of the Moseley Group as architects for the estimated \$100-\$ 110 Million new Justice Center Project which will include a new and modern jail, new courthouse, courtrooms and Offices. I estimate the project will cost over \$140 Million when all is said and done. In a presentation by County Manager Brian Epley, Epley stated the new Justice Center project was "fully funded and ready to go."

Note: The Commissioners approved ZERO for new schools to replace the many old and dilapidated Cleveland County School facilities, although the "troubled," to say the least, school board estimates it will cost \$35 Million just to patch up the four high schools for only a few more years of service.

It is an Election Year coming up and the public needs to know that Cleveland County Officials put a higher priority on jails and "revolving door" criminal prosecutions over the education of our children. Many would say, and rightly so, that the folks running Cleveland County have their priorities exactly UPSIDE DOWN!!! I personally call on the (mostly) "sane" Cleveland County Commissioners to take control of the "insane" Cleveland County School Board under Chairman Robert "Luke" Queen. Immediately, if not sooner!!! And see to it that our children's education is put a right!!!