

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

August 3, 2016
NOT APPROVED

Committee Members Present: P. Curran, D. Healy, S. Burt, K. LaForge, C. Crandall
(Absent – J. Hopkins, A. McGraw)

Others Present: L. Ballengee, T. Boyde, H. Budinger, D. Decker, S. Dewey, M. Evans, D. Fanton, K. Graves, S. Grusendorf, K. Hooker, B. Kelley, C. Knapp, B. LaValley, J. Luckey, K. Monroe, B. Riehle, T. Ross, D. Scholes, K. Slep, R. Starks, R. Swarthout, R. Whitney

Media Present: B. Quinn, *Wellsville Daily Reporter*

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 11:02 a.m. by Public Safety Committee Chairman Phil Curran.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Legislator LaForge, seconded by Legislator Curran, and carried to approve the Public Safety Committee minutes of July 6, 2016.

Public Defender

Monthly Report

Public Defender Barbara Kelley pre-filed her monthly report.

Ms. Kelley stated they have roughly 100 new cases per month. She did attend two meetings recently, one in Buffalo and the other in Albany and from what she ascertained the Governor's office is being very tight-lipped about their intentions with respect to the legislation to have the State take over the funding. They are studying it right now because it is a huge expense. She did learn the expectation and intention is that our funding for the distributions will stay the same. If the legislation does pass, we will still get what we get now plus the 25 percent, and for now the grant funding will stay the same, and new grants will be coming out.

Emergency Management and Fire

Monthly Report

Director Jeff Luckey pre-filed his monthly report.

July had a lot of outreach programs we get involved in with starting out with the Firemen's Convention held in Allentown this year. We also did the Allegany County Fair and Outreach for the Office for the Aging attending the senior picnic. We have also been working on the Hazard Mitigation meeting with highway superintendents and previewed some of the updates.

Mr. Luckey requests a resolution to accept the FY2016 Local Emergency Management Performance Grant (LEMPG), Contract #T838265 in the amount of \$23,335. This allows for the usage of the funds in 2016-2017. There is no budget adjustment necessary as this grant is already budgeted in 2016. This grant is used to offset salary costs of \$16,335 within the Office of Emergency Management in regards to mitigation, preparing, planning, and recovery from man-made and natural disasters. Three thousand dollars (\$3,000) will be used to acquire equipment for the EOC and \$4,000 will be used to offset the cost of OES rent. This grant is for fiscal year 2016 (October 1, 2015 – September 30, 2017). The request was approved on a

motion by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator LaForge, and carried.

Prepare

Resolution

Mr. Luckey requested a resolution for the acceptance and budgeting of the fiscal year 2016 SHSP Homeland Security Grant, Contract # C969160 in the amount of \$52,500. Forty-six thousand five hundred dollars (\$46,500) will be used to strengthen communications and emergency alerting capabilities by adding portable radio repeaters within the County. Five thousand dollars (\$5,000) will provide additional personal protective equipment (PPE). One thousand dollars (\$1,000) maintains the PDA connectivity for the Emergency Manager's cell phone. The contract period for this grant is September 1, 2016, thru August 31, 2019. The request was approved on a motion by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator LaForge, and carried. **Refer to Ways & Means**

STOP-DWI

Monthly Report

Coordinator Linda Edwards pre-filed her monthly report. She was not able to attend the meeting but wanted Chairman Curran to highlight a couple of events from July. First, the Bicycle Program has been completed for the year. In July, she did a final presentation at the Whitesville Library, and the Olean Times Herald did a half-page article on bicycle safety. Second, she was at the Allegany County Fair all week managing the Traffic Safety Booth. They gave out around 40 helmets and many coloring books, reflective stickers, and flashing lights. Water bottles were also given to youth who correctly answered a bicycle safety question.

District Attorney

District Attorney Keith Slep pre-filed his monthly report.

Mr. Slep noted that Sheriff Whitney, Undersheriff Monroe, and he walked around the Allegany County Fair checking the vendors to make sure that everyone was compliant with the law.

Mr. Slep wanted to inform the legislators the DCJS has another round of grant funding for local police departments which has to pass through the District Attorney's Office for Recorded Interview Rooms. Grant money is available for this, and two or three departments have applied for this, and we are submitting this on their behalf.

Probation

Monthly Report

Director Bob Starks pre-filed his monthly report.

Mr. Starks stated the Juvenile Delinquent (JD) Intakes half way through this year have surpassed all of last year's figures. He received word that our reimbursement rate for ignition interlock cases will remain the same for the coming year which is October thru September. For every case that gets sentenced in Allegany County, we get reimbursed \$135 per case. In regards to the grant he talked to you last month about, the application was submitted. Whatever money we receive is not for any sustainable programs, it is primarily used for training school, personnel, and counselors to work with youth groups.

Weights & Measures

Director Gilbert Green pre-filed his monthly report. Mr. Green was unable to attend the meeting so Chairman Curran talked about the Memorandum of Explanation that was submitted for a transfer of \$1,100 from account A6610.422 (Weights & Measures-Gas) to A6610.201 (Weights & Measures-Equipment) to cover the cost of a slide bed for his work truck in order to improve safety as there will be less need to climb into the truck. Legislator Burt stated money is tight, and there are questions to ask so he would like to move this be tabled until Mr. Green can come and make a presentation to the committee. A motion to table for further discussion was moved by Legislator Burt, seconded by Legislator Healy, and carried.

Sheriff's Office

Monthly Report

Sheriff Rick Whitney pre-filed his monthly report. He stated the Allegany County Fair went off without any major incidents this year.

The Sheriff's Office is requesting a Resolution to amend Section (1) of Resolution Number 95-16 to read:

Resolved:

1. A lease of land between Dean R. & Kirsten L. Salyer and the County of Allegany for a .961 acre +/- parcel in the Town of Angelica on Bailor Hill Road for the sum of Eight Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$8,500) is hereby approved.

This is to change the property, the first property owner was unable to sell us the property so we have moved to the property across the road. The final contract is at the County Attorney's Office right now to be finalized. The terms have already been agreed upon. The request was approved on a motion by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator Burt, and carried. **Refer to Facilities & Communication, and Ways & Means Committee**

The Sheriff's Office is requesting permission to sign a Memorandum of Agreement with the Allegany County Deputy Sheriffs Association, Council 82, Local 3989, allowing the retention of retired Deputy Sheriffs as part-time Deputy Sheriffs, and the creation of five (5) part-time Deputy Sheriff positions.

A motion was made by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator Burt, and carried to go into an attorney/client session. Immediately following discussion a motion was made by Legislator Burt, seconded by Legislator LaForge, and carried to come out of attorney/client session.

The request to allow the retention of retired Deputy Sheriffs as part-time Deputy Sheriffs was approved on a motion by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator LaForge, and carried. **Refer to Personnel**

Sheriff Whitney is requesting a resolution setting the pay rate of the part-time Deputy Sheriffs at \$17 per hour. This action should result in a savings in the Sheriff's Office Budget. The request was approved on a motion by Legislator LaForge, seconded by Legislator Curran, and carried. **Refer to Personnel**

The Allegany County 911 Radio Project is requesting the acceptance of Motorola Solutions' proposal for the replacement of Dispatch Consoles. The total funds requested are \$819,995.04. This purchase is done through NYS-OGS contract number PT67405. The

funding is through NYS Statewide Interoperable Communications Grant – Round 3. The request was approved on a motion by Legislator LaForge, seconded by Legislator Curran, and carried. **Refer to Facilities & Communications and Ways & Means Committees**

Sheriff Whitney is requesting the acceptance and appropriation of \$1,850 in user fees and \$4,550 from Accord Corporation for the continuation of the ACT II Batterers Program. This grant is a renewal of an existing grant funded program. The request was approved on a motion by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator Burt, and carried. **Refer to Ways & Means**

Sheriff Whitney is asking for a resolution authorizing Chairman Crandall and the Sheriff to sign the contract for prisoner housing between the Allegany and Wyoming County Jails for the year 2016. The 2015 contract was approved by the County Attorney with a per diem rate of \$90, and this is a renewal of that contract. We receive approximately \$4,000 per year from Wyoming County for housing. The request was approved on a motion by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator Burt, and carried. **Prepare Resolution**

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m. following a motion by Legislator Burt, seconded by Legislator LaForge, and carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Stella Dewey
Allegany County Board of Legislators