

**WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**COMMITTEE: PUBLIC SAFETY**

**DATE: AUGUST 26, 2013**

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**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

SUPERVISORS WOOD  
GIRARD  
BENTLEY  
MONTESI  
TAYLOR  
FRASIER

**COMMITTEE MEMBER ABSENT:**

SUPERVISOR STRAINER

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

BUD YORK, WARREN COUNTY SHERIFF  
BRIAN LAFLURE, FIRE COORDINATOR/DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES  
KEVIN B. GERAGHTY, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD  
PAUL DUSEK, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR  
MARTIN AUFFREDOU, COUNTY ATTORNEY  
JOAN SADY, CLERK OF THE BOARD  
FRANK E. THOMAS, BUDGET OFFICER  
SUPERVISORS MASON  
MONROE  
WESTCOTT  
DON LEHMAN, *THE POST STAR*  
SARAH MCLENITHAN, LEGISLATIVE OFFICE SPECIALIST

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Mrs. Wood called the meeting of the Public Safety Committee to order at 9:47 a.m.

Motion was made by Mr. Montesi, seconded by Mrs. Frasier and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the previous Committee meeting, subject to correction by the Clerk of the Board.

Privilege of the floor was extended to Bud York, Warren County Sheriff, who distributed copies of the agenda to the Committee members; a copy of the agenda is on file with the minutes.

Commencing the agenda review Sheriff York presented a request for Major James LaFarr, Lieutenant Steven Stockdale and Lieutenant Lee Corsones to attend the New York State Sheriff's Association Law Enforcement Supervisors' Training Conference at the Gideon Putnam in Saratoga Springs, New York from September 9-September 11, 2013.

Motion was made by Mr. Bentley, seconded by Mr. Girard and carried unanimously to authorize attendance at the conference as outlined above. *A copy of the Authorization to Attend Meeting or Convention form is on file with the minutes.*

Sheriff York asked Paul Dusek, County Administrator, to explain Item 2 on the agenda. Mr. Dusek advised that the County was required to compensate individuals for the care and maintenance of any K-9's utilized by the Sheriff's Office during non working hours. He said that an agreement with the PBA (Police Benevolent Association) and the Officer caring for the K-9 had been reached depicting the hourly rate the Officer would be paid for the care and maintenance of the K-9 during non working hours.

Mr. Dusek apprised that an issue had arisen with regards to the K-9 used by the Warren County Jail. Sheriff York explained that they had neglected to pay Corrections Officer Christopher Pirelli the stipend for the care and maintenance of the Corrections K-9. He stated that \$1,776.25 was due to Officer Pirelli, which could be paid from Asset Forfeiture monies.

Motion was made by Mr. Girard, seconded by Mr. Taylor and carried unanimously to authorize payment to Corrections Officer Christopher Pirelli and directing the Warren County Treasurer to

make payment in the amount of \$1,776.25 as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the September 20, 2013 Board meeting.

Sheriff York requested to delete item 3 on the agenda, as a Clerk's Correction could be made to address the issue.

Agenda item 4, Sheriff York apprised, referred to a request to fill the vacant position of Patrol Officer, annual salary of \$34,996, Employee No. 7971, due to retirement.

Motion was made by Mr. Montesi, seconded by Mr. Taylor and carried unanimously to approve the filling of the vacant position as outlined above and to forward same to the Personnel Committee. *A copy of the Notice of Intent to Fill Vacant Position is on file with the minutes.*

Sheriff York advised that due to being understaffed he had not been able to provide Foot Patrol for the Village of Lake George on Thursday and Saturday nights for the past two weeks. He explained the Sheriff's Department received \$20,500 for a contract with the Village of Lake George to provide two uniformed Patrol Officers for foot patrol on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings from 6:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. during the summer months. He apprised he would credit the Village of Lake George with the time they were unable to provide the service.

With regards to Topics for Discussion, Sheriff York stated that three Corrections Officers had been replaced with new hires resulting in a savings of \$23,905.

There being no further Sheriff and Communications business to discuss, privilege of the floor was extended to Brian LaFlure, Fire Coordinator/Director, Office of Emergency Services (OES), who distributed copies of the agenda to the Committee members; *a copy of agenda is on file with the minutes.*

Mr. LaFlure presented the following requests:

- 1) Ratifying the actions of the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors in executing the grant application to the New York State Emergency Response Commission (SERC) for the Year 20 Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness (HMEP) Planning Grant for the Local Emergency Planning Committee in the minimum amount of \$3,160 for a term commencing October 1, 2012 and terminating September 30, 2013.
- 2) Ratifying the actions of the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors in executing a grant application to the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services for the Fiscal Year 2013 Haz-Mat Grant Program in an amount not to exceed \$91,000 for a term commencing September 1, 2013 and terminating August 31, 2015.

Motion was made by Mr. Girard, seconded by Mr. Bentley and carried unanimously to ratify the actions of the Chairman of the Board in executing the grant applications as outlined above and the necessary resolutions were authorized for the September 20, 2013 Board meeting. *Copies of the resolution request forms are on file with the minutes.*

Mr. LaFlure advised the operation of the Fire Training Center was going well. In reference to updates on the Communications Vehicle, he apprised he anticipated having the work on it completed by the fall. He noted that the OES had managed a total of \$1.7 million in grant funds.

As there was no further business to come before the Public Safety Committee, on motion made by Mr. Bentley and seconded by Mr. Montesi, Mrs. Wood adjourned the meeting at 9:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sarah McLenithan, Legislative Office Specialist