

**WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**COMMITTEE: CRIMINAL JUSTICE & PUBLIC SAFETY**

**DATE: MAY 1, 2017**

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**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

SUPERVISORS: MONTESI  
GERAGHTY  
GIRARD  
BROCK  
BRAYMER  
SEEBER  
MACDONALD

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:**

SUPERVISORS: SIMPSON  
VANSELOW

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

REPRESENTING THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE:

BUD YORK, SHERIFF  
SHAWN LAMOUREE, UNDERSHERIFF

REPRESENTING THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES:

BRIAN LAFLURE, FIRE COORDINATOR/DIRECTOR  
AMY HIRSH, EMERGENCY SERVICES COORDINATOR  
MICKI GUY, EMS COORDINATOR

PATRICK MELLON, 1<sup>ST</sup> DEPUTY EMS COORDINATOR

TRAVIS HOWE, 2<sup>ND</sup> DEPUTY EMS COORDINATOR

RONALD F. CONOVER, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

MARY ELIZABETH KISSANE, ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY

AMANDA ALLEN, CLERK OF THE BOARD

FRANK E. THOMAS, WARREN COUNTY BUDGET OFFICER

SUPERVISORS DICKINSON

FRASIER

HYDE

LEGGETT

MERLINO

SOKOL

STROUGH

JAMES SCHRAMMEL, 4<sup>TH</sup> DEPUTY FIRE COORDINATOR

DAN HALL, CITY OF GLENS FALLS COUNCILMAN AT-LARGE

LESLIE LOVELACE, SECRETARY TO THE CLERK OF THE BOARD

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*Please note, the following contains a summarization of the May 1, 2017 meeting of the Criminal Justice & Public Safety Committee; the meeting in its entirety can be viewed on the Warren County website using the following link:*

<http://www.warrencountyny.gov/gov/comm/Archive/2017/criminal/>

Mr. Montesi called the meeting of the Criminal Justice & Public Safety Committee to order at 11:15 a.m.

Motion was made by Mr. Brock, seconded by Ms. Seeber 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 Shawn Lamouree, Warren County Undersheriff, who distributed copies of his agenda packet to the Committee members; *a copy of the agenda packet is on file with the minutes.*

Commencing the agenda review, Undersheriff Lamouree presented the following requests:

- 1) To authorize a contract with Stock Farm Construction in the amount of \$7,345.30 for replacement of the roof on the Prospect Mountain radio shack.

Motion was made by Mr. Brock, seconded by Mr. Girard and carried unanimously to approve the request and the necessary resolution was authorized for the May 19<sup>th</sup> Board meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

- 2) To amend the Departmental Table of Organization and Salary Schedule to create and fill the new position of Patrol Officer #63, Base Salary \$42,409.50, effective May 22, 2017.

A discussion ensued relative to the position creation, following which a motion was made by Ms. Seeber, seconded by Mr. Girard and carried unanimously to approve the request and refer same to the Personnel & Higher Education Committee. *Copies of the resolution request and Notice of Intent to Fill Vacant Position Forms are on file with the minutes.*

- 3) For funding in the amount of \$274,883.31 to purchase portable radios for the Sheriff's Law Enforcement Division.

Following a brief discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Brock, seconded by Mr. MacDonald and carried unanimously to approve the request and refer same to the Finance Committee. *A copy of the resolution request is on file with the minutes.*

- 4) To authorize a new contract with Great Escape (*Six Flags*) to provide police services at an hourly rate of \$55.

Motion was made by Mr. Girard, seconded by Ms. Braymer and carried unanimously to approve the request as presented and the necessary resolution was authorized for the May 19<sup>th</sup> Board meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

Proceeding to the Topics for Discussion portion of the agenda, Undersheriff Lamouree apprised Item A pertained to an RFP (*request for proposals*) associated with continuing the Emergency Radio System Upgrade Project. He stated a professional company was needed to oversee the project and he noted the future locations would be in the towns of Stony Creek and Thurman, Route 149, Black Mountain and Glens Falls Hospital. Moving on to Item B, Undersheriff Lamouree provided a staffing update, noting that one Correction Officer had been terminated and there were currently four vacant Corrections Officer positions and four vacant for Corrections Sergeant positions.

Citing discussions held at the last Committee meeting with respect to oversight of the Warren County SPCA contract, Ms. Seeber made a motion to move the contract oversight and budget from the Legislative Board to the Sheriff's Office. The motion was seconded by Mr. MacDonald and carried unanimously to authorize a resolution for the May 19<sup>th</sup> Board meeting.

Concluding the review of the Sheriff's agenda, Sheriff York noted a previous inquiry from Mr. Montesi requesting a tour of the Correctional Facility for new Committee members and he questioned whether this was still desired, and if so, when the Committee would like the tour to be held. Mr. Montesi confirmed he would like a tour to be offered, and following some discussion, the tour was scheduled for May 19<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m. Sheriff York advised that any Supervisors who were unable to make this tour could contact him directly to schedule an individual tour on a different date.

Privilege of the floor was extended to Brian LaFlure, Fire Coordinator/Director of the Office of Emergency Services (*OES*), who distributed copies of the OES agenda to the Committee members; *a copy of the agenda is on file with the meeting minutes.*

Commencing the agenda review, Mr. LaFlure presented a request to authorize a new contract with Capital Digitronics, in an amount not to exceed \$5,000 per year, to provide vehicle equipment installation services over the term commencing upon execution and terminating December 31, 2017, with the possibility of two annual extensions.

Motion was made by Mr. MacDonald, seconded by Ms. Seeber and carried unanimously to approve the request and the necessary resolution was authorized for the May 19<sup>th</sup> Board meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

Continuing to the Information for Discussion portion of the agenda, Mr. LaFlure apprised of the EMS survey which had been completed at no cost to the County. Copies of the survey were handed out to the Committee members and a copy of same is on file with the meeting minutes. A discussion ensued relative to the survey at the conclusion of which Mr. Montesi suggested holding another meeting to continue discussions on the survey once the Committee had time to review it independently.

Mr. Geraghty thanked the EMS Coordinators for performing the survey and compiling the information presented at no cost to the County; he apprised another County had recently paid \$80,000 for a similar study and he urged the Committee members to review the survey information. Ms. Braymer also thanked the EMS Coordinators for their hard work; she said she appreciated the fact that the County did not have to hire a company to obtain the information.

Mr. Montesi requested an update on the Fire Training Center. Mr. LaFlure stated he had originally vowed to keep the County cost as minimal as possible for the Fire Training Center, however, it had taken awhile to get things in place due to set backs with low cost land clearing. He added that Kevin Hajos, Deputy Superintendent of DPW, was in the process of developing specs for the water line, electric and/or gas utilities. He said there was currently a hold-up with BOCES and to save money, the millings from the Ridge Road paving project would go to this site. Discussion ensued.

This concluded the review of the OES agenda.

Mr. Geraghty informed he had gotten a request from Washington County on what the cost would be for Foster Care in regards to "Raise the Age". Sheriff York answered that it would be expensive and that all of the Sheriff's Departments across the State were opposed to the Bill. He said that it was poorly written and would be a financial hardship on the counties as it would entail each County building their own facility to house the juveniles. A brief discussion ensued.

There being no further business to come before the Criminal Justice & Public Safety Committee, on motion made by Ms. Seeber and seconded by Mr. Girard, Mr. Montesi adjourned the meeting at 12:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Leslie Lovelace, Secretary to the Clerk of the Board