

WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COMMITTEE: CRIMINAL JUSTICE & PUBLIC SAFETY

DATE: OCTOBER 31, 2017

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**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

SUPERVISORS MONTESI  
GERAGHTY  
BROCK  
BRAYMER  
SEEBER  
MACDONALD

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:**

SUPERVISORS GIRARD  
SIMPSON  
VANSELOW

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

REPRESENTING THE WARREN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE:  
BUD YORK, SHERIFF

REPRESENTING THE WARREN COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES:  
BRIAN LAFLURE, FIRE COORDINATOR/DIRECTOR  
AMY HIRSCH, EMERGENCY SERVICES COORDINATOR  
RONALD F. CONOVER, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD  
MARY ELIZABETH KISSANE, ACTING COUNTY ATTORNEY  
AMANDA ALLEN, CLERK OF THE BOARD  
FRANK E. THOMAS, BUDGET OFFICER

SUPERVISORS BEATY  
BROCK  
DICKINSON  
FRASIER  
LEGGETT  
MCDEVITT  
MERLINO  
SOKOL  
STROUGH

SENATOR BETTY LITTLE  
ASSEMBLYWOMAN CARRIE WOERNER  
ASSEMBLYMAN DAN STEC  
ASSEMBLYMAN BILLY JONES  
BOB FARLEY, NY STATE SENATE - OFFICE OF MAJORITY COUNSEL  
DON LEHMAN, *THE POST STAR*  
*Please see sign-in sheet for all other meeting attendees*

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*Please note, the following contains a summarization of the October 31, 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 special meeting of the Criminal Justice & Public Safety Committee to order at 10:00 a.m., noting that the approval of the prior meeting's minutes would be suspended until the next meeting.

Copies of the meeting agenda were distributed to those in attendance and a copy of same is on file with the meeting minutes.

At Mr. Montesi's request, the meeting commenced with a round of introductions of those in attendance.

Mr. Montesi introduced Senator Betty Little, noting she had been a member of the Warren County Board of Supervisors several years ago before ascending to the New York State Senate. Senator Little thanked everyone for attending and she introduced Assemblymen Dan Stec and Billy Jones, who were also

present; additionally, she thanked Carmella Montello, *Legislative Director - Senator Little's Office*, for her hard work in helping to organize the meeting which was being attended by representatives from various municipalities. She explained the primary reason for the meeting was to discuss issues with regard to regional EMS services in response to concerns expressed on a regional basis. Senator Little then introduced Brian Wood, *Unit Commander & Coordinator for Albany County EMS*, noting that Mr. Wood had been invited to provide an overview of the current Albany County EMS program which was administered by the Albany County Sheriff's Office.

Mr. Wood proceeded with two PowerPoint presentations, providing a thorough review of each; *copies of both presentations are on file with the meeting minutes*. Following his presentations, a lengthy session ensued where attendees made statements and asked questions which were answered by Mr. Wood. During the discussion portion of the meeting, Mr. Wood displayed an excel spreadsheet entitled "2018 EMS Proposed with Hilltown Coverage" pertaining to the cost of EMS services in Albany County for the coming year; *a copy of the spreadsheet is on file with the meeting minutes*.

At the conclusion of the meeting, Senator Little thanked everyone for attending, and she expressed particular appreciation to her staff, as well as to Mr. Wood for his presentation. She advised although the meeting would be adjourned, Mr. Wood had indicated he would remain in the Board Room following the meeting to address any additional questions or concerns anyone might have.

Mr. Montesi announced the special meeting of the Criminal Justice & Public Safety Committee adjourned at 11:58 a.m.

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