

# WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

**COMMITTEE: LEGISLATIVE & RULES**

**DATE: AUGUST 31, 2017**

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**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

SUPERVISORS: STROUGH  
MONTESI  
BROCK  
BRAYMER  
SOKOL  
MCDEVITT  
GERAGHTY  
LEGGETT

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

RONALD F. CONOVER, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD  
MARY ELIZABETH KISSANE, 1<sup>ST</sup> ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY  
AMANDA ALLEN, CLERK OF THE BOARD  
FRANK E. THOMAS, BUDGET OFFICER  
SUPERVISORS BEATY  
HYDE  
FRASIER  
SEEBER  
SIMPSON  
SHAWN LAMOUREE, WARREN COUNTY UNDERSHERIFF  
MICHAEL SWAN, COUNTY TREASURER  
DON LEHMAN, *THE POST STAR*  
MOLLY GANOTES-GLEASON, LEGISLATIVE OFFICE SPECIALIST

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**COMMITTEE MEMBER ABSENT:**

SUPERVISOR: GIRARD

*Please note, the following contains a summarization of the August 31, 2017 Meeting of the Legislative & Rules 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/legislative/>*

Mr. Strough called the meeting of the Legislative & Rules Committee to order at 9:33 a.m.

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

Commencing the agenda review, Mr. Strough indicated there were two items on the Referral/Pending Items portion of the agenda, the first being a referral from the Criminal Justice & Public Safety Committee to authorize a resolution seeking action to make a strong statement with regard to the unfunded New York State mandate pertaining to “suicide watch” at the Corrections Facility and explaining the negative impact on the County Budget. He apprised there was a resolution proposed by Bud York, Warren County Sheriff, included in agenda.

A discussion ensued during which Shawn Lamouree, *Warren County Undersheriff*, explained “suicide watch” requirements and how they impacted the Correctional Facility. The Committee also discussed various alterations to the resolution language proposed by Sheriff York; however, a motion was subsequently made by Mr. Sokol, seconded by Mr. Montesi and carried unanimously to approve the resolution, as presented, contingent upon County Attorney review and approval, and the necessary resolution was authorized for the September 15<sup>th</sup> Board meeting.

Mr. Strough notified the last item on the agenda pertained to a referral from the August 18<sup>th</sup> Board meeting asking the Legislative & Rules Committee to consideration taking action to request the State of New York

to revise the sharing formula for the Wireless E911 surcharge monies in order to cover the cost of operation of 911 centers as intended. Undersheriff Lamouree distributed a handout from NYSAC (New York State Association of Counties) entitled "Funding 911 Services in New York State" which he reviewed portions of in order to portray to the Committee the amount of funding received by the State and the minimal amount returned to the Counties. *A copy of the handout is on file with the minutes.*

The Committee held a lengthy discussion regarding the action requested, considering various scenarios that could be proposed, but ultimately decided to delay further discussion until the Sheriff's Office was able to review the matter, determine whether other agencies may have already enacted resolutions to this effect, and provide suggestions for appropriate resolution language at a future meeting.

As there was no further business to come before the Legislative & Rules Committee, on motion made by Mr. Montesi and seconded by Mr. McDevitt, Mr. Strough adjourned the meeting at 10:13 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Molly Ganotes-Gleason, Legislative Office Specialist