

WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COMMITTEE: PUBLIC SAFETY

DATE: APRIL 20, 2020

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

SUPERVISORS: LEGGETT
SIMPSON
BRAYMER
DIAMOND
DRISCOLL
SEEBER
SHEPLER

OTHERS PRESENT:

JIM LAFARR, SHERIFF
FRANK E. THOMAS, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD
RYAN MOORE, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
AMANDA ALLEN, CLERK OF THE BOARD
ROBERT TERWILLIGER, FIRST ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY
KEVIN B. GERAGHTY, BUDGET OFFICER
SUPERVISORS BRUNO
CONOVER
FRASIER
HOGAN
MAGOWAN
MCDEVITT
SIMPSON
STROUGH
WILD
MICHAEL COLVIN, DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
TAMMIE DELORENZO, ASSISTANT TO THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
GINELLE JONES, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH/PATIENT SERVICES
DON LEHMAN, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC RELATIONS
JEREMY SCRIME, SENIOR COMPUTER SYSTEMS ANALYST/PROGRAMMER

Please note, the following contains a summarization of the April 20, 2020 meeting of the Public Safety Committee; the meeting in its entirety can be viewed on the Warren County website using the following link: <https://www.warrencountyny.gov/gov/comm/Archive/2020/safety/>

Note: As per Governor Cuomo's Executive Order 202.1: "Article 7 of the Public Officers Law, to the extent necessary to permit any public body to meet and take such actions authorized by the law without permitting in public in-person access to meetings and authorizing such meetings to be held remotely by conference call or similar service, provided that the public has the ability to view or listen to such proceeding and that such meetings are recorded and later transcribed". Committee members Leggett, Simpson, Braymer, and Seeber participated via videoconference, while Committee members Diamond, Driscoll and Shepler were present.

Mr. Leggett called the meeting of the Public Safety Committee to order at 10:00 a.m.

Copies of the Sheriff's agenda were distributed to those in attendance, those participating remotely accessed agendas via the Warren County website. A copy of the agenda is on file with the meeting minutes.

Motion was made by Ms. Seeber, seconded by Ms. Braymer 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 Jim LaFarr, *Warren County Sheriff*, who presented his sole agenda item, which was a request to create and fill the new position of Patrol Officer #65, *Base Annual Salary of \$42,373*, effective June 5, 2020. Sheriff LaFarr explained Patrol Officer #14 had received military orders to report for active duty service on

June 4, 2020 for a period of 400 days. He said the active duty military service would create a Patrol Officer vacancy to be filled using a “contingent temporary” civil service appointment; he added that the appointment must be vacated on or before the return of Patrol Officer #14 from active duty service. Sheriff LaFarr confirmed that he had consulted the Personnel Officer regarding this matter and was advised to act in accordance with his request.

A motion was made by Mr. Driscoll and seconded by Ms. Braymer to approve the request.

A lengthy discussion ensued with regard to the request, following which Mr. Leggett called the question and the motion was carried by majority vote with Mr. Diamond voting in opposition to approve the request and forward same to the Personnel & Administration Committee. *A copy of the request is on file with the meeting minutes.*

There being no further business to come before the Public Safety Committee, on motion made by Ms. Seeber, seconded by Ms. Braymer and carried unanimously, Mr. Leggett adjourned the meeting at 10:19 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Amanda Allen, Clerk of the Board