

WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COMMITTEE: CRIMINAL JUSTICE, PUBLIC SAFETY & EMERGENCY SERVICES

DATE: JULY 23, 2024

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

SUPERVISORS: GERACI
CONOVER
MADAY
STRAINER
GILLIGAN
DRISCOLL
ETU

OTHERS PRESENT:

TERRY COMEAU, UNDERSHERIFF
ANN MARIE MASON, DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES
KEVIN B. GERAGHTY, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD
JOHN TAFLAN, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
LARRY ELMEN, COUNTY ATTORNEY
AMANDA ALLEN, CLERK OF THE BOARD
SARAH MCLENITHAN, DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD
FRANK THOMAS, BUDGET OFFICER
SUPERVISORS BRUNO
TURNER
WILD
TAMMIE DELORENZO, ASSISTANT TO THE COUNTY ADMINISTER
CHRISTINE NORTON, COUNTY TREASURER
LUKE MOSSEAU, *THE POST STAR*
MOLLY GANOTES-GLEASON, LEGISLATIVE OFFICE SPECIALIST

Please note, the following contains a summarization of the July 23, 2024 meeting of the Criminal Justice, Public Safety & Emergency Services Committee; the meeting in its entirety can be viewed on the Warren County website using the following links:

Warren County website - <https://warrencountyny.gov/mma>

Warren County's YouTube Channel - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OFRI66e7ddI>

Mr. Geraci called the meeting of the Criminal Justice, Public Safety & Emergency Services Committee to order at 9:00 a.m.

Copies of the Sheriff and Office of Emergency Services agendas were distributed; copies of the agendas are on file with the meeting minutes.

Motion was made by Ms. Gilligan, seconded by Mr. Conover and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mr. Maday absent*) to approve the minutes of the previous Committee meeting, subject to correction by the Clerk of the Board.

Privilege of the floor and public comment were called for, but there was no one wishing to speak.

The meeting commenced with review of the of the Action Agenda/New Business Items section of the Sheriff's agenda, which included the following requests:

1. To ratify the actions of the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors in executing an application to the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services for Law Enforcement Technology Enhancement Program grant funding in an amount not to exceed \$751,953.18 for law the term commencing April 1, 2024 and terminating March 31, 2025, as well as to authorize the Chairman to execute a grant agreement for same.
2. To amend the 2024 Warren County Budget in the amount of \$751,953.18 to reflect receipt of New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services Law Enforcement Technology Enhancement Program grant funding.
3. To ratify the actions of the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors in executing an application to the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services for FY2019 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program funding intended for law enforcement tactical equipment in an amount not to exceed \$97,000, as well as to authorize the Chairman to execute a grant agreement for same.

4. To amend the 2024 Warren County Budget in the amount of \$97,000 to reflect receipt of New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services FY2019 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program funding.
5. To ratify the actions of the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors in executing an application to the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services for FY2022 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program funding intended for law enforcement tactical equipment in an amount not to exceed \$97,000, as well as to authorize the Chairman to execute a grant agreement for same.
6. To amend the 2024 Warren County Budget in the amount of \$65,000 reflect receipt of funding from New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services FY2022 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program funding.

Motion was made by Mr. Conover, seconded by Mr. Etu and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mr. Maday absent*) to approve Items 1-6; Items 2, 4 and 6 were referred to the Finance & Budget Committee and the necessary resolutions for Items 1, 3 and 5 were authorized for the August 16th Board Meeting. *Copies of the resolution request forms are on file with the minutes.*

7. For a new contract with Black Creek Integrated Systems Corporation in an amount not to exceed \$31,215 to provide unlimited support and maintenance of the Correctional Facility's Black Creek SallyPort inmate records management systems software for the term commencing January 1, 2025 and terminating December 31, 2025.

Motion was made by Mr. Driscoll, seconded by Ms. Gilligan and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mr. Maday absent*) to approve the request as presented and the necessary resolution was authorized for the August 16th Board Meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

Mr. Maday entered the meeting at 9:06 a.m.

8. For a new contract with Bolton Central School District in an amount not to exceed \$40,000 to provide law enforcement services by assigning one uniformed Patrol Officer for dedicated School Resource Officer services during the 2024-2025 school year.
9. For a new contract with the Hadley-Luzerne Central School District in an amount not to exceed \$90,000 to provide law enforcement services by assigning two uniformed Patrol Officers for dedicated School Resource Officer services during the 2024-2025 school year.
10. For a new contract with the Johnsburg Central School District in an amount not to exceed \$40,000 to provide law enforcement services by assigning one uniformed Patrol Officer for dedicated School Resource Officer services during the 2024-2025 school year.
11. For a new contract with the Lake George Central School District in an amount not to exceed \$80,000 to provide law enforcement services by assigning two uniformed Patrol Officers for dedicated School Resource Officer services during the 2024-2025 school year.
12. For a new contract with the North Warren Central School District in an amount not to exceed \$42,000 to provide law enforcement services by assigning two part-time uniformed Patrol Officers for dedicated School Resource Officer services during the 2024-2025 school year.
13. For a new contract with the Queensbury Union Free School District in an amount not to exceed \$143,000 to provide law enforcement services by assigning one full-time and one part-time uniformed Patrol Officer for dedicated School Resource Officer services during the 2024-2025 school year.
14. For a new contract with the Warrensburg Central School District in an amount not to exceed \$95,000 to provide law enforcement services by assigning one full-time uniformed Patrol Officer for dedicated School Resource Officer services during the 2024-2025 school year.

Motion was made by Mr. Conover, seconded by Mr. Etu and carried unanimously to approve Items 8-14 as presented and the necessary resolutions were authorized for the August 16th Board Meeting. *Copies of the resolution request forms are on file with the minutes.*

15. To amend the agreement with Watch Systems, LLC dba Offenders Watch in the amount of \$6,666.66 to provide upgraded features, additional services and a public application for registered sex offender management over the term commencing September 1, 2024 and terminating April 30, 2027.

Motion was made by Mr. Strainer and seconded by Ms. Gilligan to approve the request as presented. Upon further discussion, the County Attorney explained a resolution was not necessary because the request was within the authority of the Sheriff to authorize contracts under \$10,000. Mr. Strainer and Ms. Gilligan withdrew their motions and no action on the item was taken.

16. For a transfer of funds in the amount of \$3,470.73 from Budget Code A.3120.1002 130, *School Resource Off Qby - Part Time*, to Budget Code A.3120.1002 120, *School Resource Officer Qby - Overtime*, to cover an overtime deficit.

Motion was made by Mr. Etu, seconded by Mr. Maday and carried unanimously to approve the request as presented and refer same to the Finance & Budget Committee. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

17. For a transfer of funds in the amount of \$350,000 from Budget Code A.3150 110, *Corrections Salaries - Regular*, to Budget Code A.3150 120, *Corrections Salaries - Overtime*, to cover an overtime deficit.

Motion was made by Mr. Conover, seconded by Mr. Maday and carried unanimously to approve the request as presented and refer same to the Finance & Budget Committee. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

Discussion Items section of the agenda was reviewed with the following items being addressed:

1. Increased firearms storage requirements. Currently had a price from New York State that was under \$20,000 for a safe place to store firearms.

There being no further Sheriff business to discuss, review of the Office of Emergency Services agenda commenced with the Action Agenda/New Business Items with the following requests:

1. To amend Resolution No. 157 of 2024 to appoint Ashley Rivers, *Deputy Director, Office of Emergency Services*, to the EMS Advisory Board for the term January 1, 2024 - December 31, 2025.

Motion was made by Mr. Etu, seconded by Mr. Strainer and carried unanimously to approve the request as presented and the necessary resolution was authorized for the August 16th Board Meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

2. For a new contract with the U.S. Geological Survey in an amount not to exceed \$48,770 to continue operation and maintenance of the river gauge on the Schroon River at Riverbank over the term commencing October 1, 2024 and terminating September 30, 2029.

Motion was made by Mr. Maday, seconded by Mr. Driscoll and carried unanimously to approve the request as presented and the necessary resolution was authorized for the August 16th Board Meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

Discussion Items section of the agenda was reviewed with the following items being addressed:

1. Heat installation in the OES storage building - Committee was advised heating the building would allow for storage of items that would normally freeze during the winter.

It was noted there would be an application on the Warren County website where individuals could apply for assistance due to the recent storms, adding there was recent media exposure for the OES app.

Privilege of the floor and public comment were called for, but there was no one wishing to speak.

Mr. Driscoll exited the meeting at 9:21 a.m.

As there was no further business to come before the Criminal Justice, Public Safety & Emergency Services Committee, on a motion made by Mr. Etu and seconded by Ms. Gilligan, Mr. Geraci declared the meeting adjourned at 9:22 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Molly Ganotes-Gleason, Legislative Office Specialist