

**WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**COMMITTEE: CRIMINAL JUSTICE, PUBLIC SAFETY & EMERGENCY SERVICES**

**DATE: JUNE 23, 2025**

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**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

SUPERVISORS: GERACI  
CONOVER  
MADAY  
STRAINER  
GILLIGAN  
DRISCOLL  
PATCHETT

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

ADAM STEPHENSON, PROBATION SUPERVISOR  
JASON CARUSONE, DISTRICT ATTORNEY  
REPRESENTING THE PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE:  
GREGORY CANALE, PUBLIC DEFENDER  
ERIN KOMON, FIRST ASSISTANT PUBLIC DEFENDER  
ANN MARIE MASON, DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES  
JIM LAFARR, SHERIFF  
KEVIN B. GERAGHTY, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD  
JOHN TAFLAN, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR  
LARRY ELMEN, COUNTY ATTORNEY  
AMANDA ALLEN, CLERK OF THE BOARD  
FRANK E. THOMAS, BUDGET OFFICER  
SUPERVISORS CROCITTO  
ETU  
MERLINO  
STROUGH  
TURNER  
WILD  
TAMMIE DeLORENZO, ASSISTANT TO THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR  
CHRISTINE NORTON, COUNTY TREASURER  
LESLIE LOVELACE, SECRETARY TO THE CLERK OF THE BOARD

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*Please note, the following contains a summarization of the June 23, 2025 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=h269bVLgyqA>*

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

Copies of the Probation; District Attorney; Assigned Counsel; Public Defender; Office of Emergency Services; and Sheriff agendas were distributed; copies of the agendas are on file with the meeting minutes.

Motion was made by Mr. Conover, seconded by Ms. Gilligan and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mr. Patchett 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 comments were called for, but there was no one wishing to speak.

The meeting commenced with a review of the Action Agenda/New Business Items section of the Probation agenda which included the following requests:

1. To ratify the action taken in submitting a grant application to the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services for funding in an amount not to exceed \$13,140 for Pretrial Release Program for a term commencing July 1, 2025 and terminating June 30, 2026, and authorizing the Chairman to execute agreement for same.

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Motion was made by Mr. Maday, seconded by Mr. Strainer and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mr. Patchett absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the July 18<sup>th</sup> Board meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

2. To amend the County Budget in the amount of \$431,150 to reflect receipt of grant funding from New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services for Byrne SCIP Crisis Intervention Programming.

Motion was made by Mr. Driscoll and seconded by Mr. Maday to approve the request as presented; following discussion, Mr. Geraci called the question and the motion was carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mr. Patchett absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and refer same to the Finance & Budget Committee. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

Mr. Patchett entered the meeting at 9:05 a.m.

3. To authorize a transfer of funds in the amount of \$1,000 from Budget Code A.3140 110, *Salaries - Regular*, to Budget Code A.3140 120, *Salaries - Overtime*, to cover a possible deficit in overtime stemming from Basic Peace Officer Training.

Motion was made by Mr. Driscoll and seconded by Ms. Gilligan to approve the request as presented; following discussion, Mr. Geraci called the question and the motion was carried unanimously to approve the request as outlined above and refer same to the Finance & Budget Committee. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

There being no further Probation business to discuss, review of the District Attorney agenda commenced with the Discussion Items portion of the agenda which included the following items:

1. Received notification of receipt of Crimes Against Revenue Program Grant funding for the grant period of January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025, in the amount of \$59,600.00.
2. Received notification from the New York State Office of Victim Services (*OVS*), notifying the funded programs that the blanket Victims of Crime Act (*VOCA*) match waiver will be extended for an additional year, through September 30, 2026.

There being no further District Attorney business to discuss, review of the Assigned Counsel agenda commenced with the Action Agenda/New Business Items, which included a request to amend the County Budget in the amount of \$18,000 to reflect receipt of grant funding from New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services (*ILS*) for Fourth Family Defense (Child Welfare) Quality Improvement and Caseload Reduction.

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

There being no further Assigned Counsel business to discuss, review of the Public Defender agenda commenced with the Action Agenda/New Business Items, which included the following requests:

1. To amend the County Budget in the amount of \$233,500 to reflect receipt of grant funding from New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services (*ILS*) for Fourth Family Defense (Child Welfare) Quality Improvement & Caseload Reduction/C4THFD52.

Motion was made by Mr. Strainer and seconded by Mr. Driscoll to approve the request as presented; following discussion, Mr. Geraci called the question and the motion was carried unanimously to approve the request as outlined above and refer same to the Finance & Budget Committee. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

2. To amend the Table of Organization and Salary Schedule to increase the annual salary of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Assistant Public

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Defender from \$84,865 to \$117,024, effective July 21, 2025.

Motion was made by Mr. Strainer and seconded by Mr. Maday to approve the request as presented; following discussion, Mr. Geraci called the question and the motion was carried unanimously to approve the request as outlined above and refer same to the Personnel, Administration & Higher Education Committee. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

3. To authorize a transfer of funds amongst various budget codes totaling \$.30 to correct the Expense Budget Exception report.

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

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

1. To amend Resolution No. 93 of 2025 to remove Aaron Whorf, West Glens Falls EMS, and add Arron Barney, West Glens Falls EMS, for the term January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2026.

Motion was made by Ms. Gilligan, and seconded by Mr. Maday and carried unanimously to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the July 18<sup>th</sup> Board meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

2. To amend Resolution No. 492 of 2023 to add the following language: "Upon notification of the grant award, the Chair of the Board of Supervisors be, and hereby is authorized to execute the grant agreement(s), and any and all other necessary documents relating to said grant agreements".

Motion was made by Mr. Strainer, seconded by Mr. Patchett and carried unanimously to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the July 18<sup>th</sup> Board meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

3. To amend the existing contract with Mountain Medical Services to increase fees for Hazmat Team physical examinations from \$250 per physical to \$260 per physical. *(Previous Resolution Nos. 110 and 420 of 2019 and 32 of 2024)*

Motion was made by Mr. Strainer and seconded by Mr. Patchett to approve the request as presented. Larry Elmen, *County Attorney*, inquired if the total annual expense was well under \$10,000 and apprised if so, Committee approval was not necessary. However, he said if the amount came close to or exceeded \$10,000 in a twelve month period it would need Board approval. Ann Marie Mason, *Director, Office of Emergency Services*, replied the amount was typically \$9,000 annually and fluctuated when new staff joined the Hazmat Team. Mr. Elmen stated he would leave it to the discretion of the Committee and Department Head. Mr. Geraci called the question and the motion was carried unanimously to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the July 18<sup>th</sup> Board meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

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

1. To authorize a new contract with Tyler Technologies, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$1,002,674.70 for a Public Safety Records Management System, over a term commencing September 1, 2025 and terminating August 31, 2027.

Committee was informed Item 1 was withdrawn and would be brought back to Committee next month.

2. To authorize a new contract with ViaPath Technologies at no expense to the County for Correctional Facility inmate tablet and telephone services for a term commencing August 1, 2025 and terminating July 31, 2030.

Motion was made by Mr. Strainer and seconded by Mr. Maday to approve the request as presented; following discussion, Mr. Geraci called the question and the motion was carried unanimously to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the July 18<sup>th</sup> Board meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

3. To authorize 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 2025-2026 school year.
4. To authorize a new contract with Hadley-Luzerne Central School District in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 to provide law enforcement services by assigning two uniformed Patrol Officers for dedicated School Resource Officer services during the 2025-2026 school year.
5. To authorize a new contract with Johnsbury 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 2025-2026 school year.
6. To authorize a new contract with 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 2025-2026 school year.
7. To authorize a new contract with North Warren Central School District in an amount not to exceed \$42,000 to provide law enforcement services by assigning two uniformed Patrol Officers for dedicated School Resource Officer services during the 2025-2026 school year.
8. To authorize a new contract with Queensbury Union Free School District in an amount not to exceed \$148,000 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 2025-2026 school year.
9. To authorize a new contract with Warrensburg Central School District in an amount not to exceed \$97,850 to provide law enforcement services by assigning one full-time uniformed Patrol Officer for dedicated School Resource Officer services during the 2025-2026 school year.

Motion was made by Mr. Conover and seconded by Ms. Gilligan to approve the requests as presented; following discussion, Mr. Geraci called the question and the motion was carried unanimously to approve the requests as outlined above and the necessary resolutions were authorized for the July 18<sup>th</sup> Board meeting. *Copies of the resolution request forms are on file with the minutes.*

Privilege of the floor was extended to the following:

Larry Elmen, *County Attorney*, commended the Sheriff and Undersheriff for their assistance transporting juveniles to detention centers and extended his appreciation to them for meeting the requirement which consisted of two Patrol Officers working overtime to transport.

John Taflan, *County Administrator*, spoke with regard to Warren County having been placed on the Department of Homeland Security's Sanctuary Jurisdictions list and how the list was comprised.

As there was no further business to come before the Criminal Justice, Public Safety & Emergency Services Committee, on motion made by Mr. Strainer, seconded by Mr. Conover and carried unanimously, Mr. Geraci adjourned the meeting at 10:06 a.m.

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