

**REGULAR MEETING OF
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
Ontario County Safety Training Facility
March 17, 2014 2:00 P.M.**

Committee Members

Theodore Fafinski, Chairman
Gregory Bendzlowicz
Charles Evangelista – Necessarily Absent
Robert Green
Kristine Singer

Others Present

John Garvey, Sheriff Povero, R. Michael Tantillo,
John Sheppard, Leanne Lapp, Tom Harvey,
Tom Harvey, Jeff Harloff, Dru Malavase,
Steve DeChick, Mary Gates, Halle Stevens,
Sarah Utter, Carla Jordan

Approval of Minutes:

The Public Safety Committee met at the Ontario County Safety Training Facility on Monday, March 17, 2014. Supervisor Fafinski called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Supervisor Singer moved approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on February 24, 2014. Supervisor Bendzlowicz seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

District Attorney:

Mr. Tantillo requested authorization to Contract with Monroe County for Forensic Laboratory Services. The contract covers everything sent in by Ontario County and the Cities of Canandaigua and Geneva. There is a 2.5% increase but this is consistent with past contracts.

Supervisor Green moved approval as requested by Mr. Tantillo. Supervisor Bendzlowicz seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

At 2:03 p.m. Chairman Fafinski declared Supervisor Evangelista Necessarily Absent.

Mr. Tantillo updated the Committee on a Disability position of Office Specialist I. The employee will be off work for a couple of months. He would like to move a part-time person into full-time for this period of time. Supervisor Singer advised that this has been approved by Management Compensation and will now go to the Personnel Committee.

Ms. Utter requested authorization to Proclaim April 6-12, 2014 as National Crime Victims' Rights Week.

Supervisor Singer moved approval as requested by Ms. Utter. Supervisor Bendzlowicz seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

In honor of National Crime Victims Weeks, Ms. Utter requested permission to raise the Crime Victim Flag at the Courthouse and to plant DWI remembrance stakes on the Courthouse lawn on Monday, April 7, 2014.

Supervisor Bendzlowicz moved approval as requested by Ms. Utter. Supervisor Green seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

Public Works:

Mr. Wright addressed the Committee regarding a Budget Transfer to Amend the 2014 CIP for Sheriff Fleet Purchases. Undersheriff Tillman stated that the over the last two or three years the County has changed police

vehicles from the Crown Victoria to Chevrolet, Ford, and Dodge vehicles. The Dodge all wheel drive requires a large motor, which isn't necessary for our needs, and they would like to avoid that cost. The best vehicle for the departments' needs operationally and cost at this point are the Ford Interceptor and Ford Utility vehicles. They do well with repairs/gas mileage and have a lower purchase price. The Chevrolet delivery time has not been good and repairs cost more. For these reasons, they are asking to amend the CIP. Mr. Wright said the Ford vehicles are pursuit rated SUVs and Ford is the only one that has them. One other item for approval is the change from a passenger van to a sedan style for the Jail. Sometimes, there is a need for the other style vehicle which would reduce costs. It can also be used for transportation to training venues. Ms. Gates said the budget transfer paperwork is necessary to show the narrative which explains what the Board would be approving. There is not a change in funding.

Supervisor Bendzlowicz moved approval as requested by Mr. Wright and Undersheriff Tillman. Supervisor Green seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

Planning:

Mr. Harvey introduced Planning Associate Carla Jordan who spoke to the Committee regarding the Firing Range Study. Last year funds for the study were returned to the General Fund as a consultant had not been appointed. They are now requesting approval for a budget transfer to reestablish the funding for the study. There are fourteen identifiable users of the range for certifications and training. The study would encompass an evaluation of the property, its usefulness, potential to fulfill the needs of certification and training events, and to look at the potential of outside facilities that might meet those needs as well. Discussion followed regard issues and cost factors if other facilities were used.

Supervisor Bendzlowicz moved approval as requested by Ms. Jordan. Supervisor Singer seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

Probation:

Mr. Rougeux requested authorization to amend Resolution No. 840-2013 Authorization to Accept Bid for Lease of Electronic Home Monitoring and Sobriety Testing Equipment. This would be for a correction of the contract dates, which should be 01/19/14 – 01/18/15.

Super visor Hilton moved approval as requested by Mr. Rougeux. Supervisor Green seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

Mr. Rougeux to request authorization to amend an Agreement with Rebecca Gellman, PH.D. (for Services in Connection with the Probation Department's Statutory Obligation to Assist the Courts in Sentencing Determinations). He stated the Dr. Gellman is looking to add some individual sessions to the sex offender treatment program. She has always used group sessions but feels some clients need individual time. There is enough money for about 20 sessions at \$60 each, without raising the budget.

Super visor Hilton moved approval as requested by Mr. Rougeux. Supervisor Bendzlowicz seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

Public Defender:

Ms. Lapp requested authorization to extend a contract with Jerid M. Fisher PH.D. for Forensic Neuropsychologist Services. The contract has expired and the extension would be at the same rate.

Super visor Green moved approval as requested by Ms. Lapp. Supervisor Bendzlowicz seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

Emergency Management:

Mr. Harloff requested authorization for the acceptance of the FY13 State Homeland Security Program Grants, UHF Simulcast Network Project Capital Project No. 6-2012. The Board gave approval last year to apply for the grant. The funds would be used to support the UHF and bring on two additional towers, which would be used to alert fire and EMS; funds would also support a backup site if something happened. There are 8 towers currently; a total of 10 are anticipated.

Supervisor Bendzlowicz moved approval as requested by Mr. Harloff. Supervisor Singer seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

Mr. Harloff requested authorization for payment of the following invoices, related to funds approved for Emergency Management (Resolution 93-2014) and invoices for the UHF Simulcast System.

- A. Finger Lakes Communication Invoice No. 102001720-1 for \$15, 670.00, related to Capital Project 6-2012.
- B. Crystal Info Systems, Invoice No. 394708-0 for \$960.00, related to Capital Project 7-2006.
- C. Synergy Global Solutions, Invoice No. AD247113 for \$371.94, related to Capital Project 7-2006.
- D. Synergy Global Solutions, Invoice No. AD247117 for \$475.36, related to Capital Project 7-2006.
- E. Microsoft Order No. 0000030428 for \$768.98, related to Emergency Communications Project.

Supervisor Singer moved approval for payment of the above listed invoices as requested by Mr. Harloff. Supervisor Hilton seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

Mr. Karloff advised the Committee of a barn fire in Honeoye earlier today. He also updated the Committee on an issue in the Town of Geneva with an ice jam in a feeder stream to Seneca Lake. It is affecting the outflow from the slopes to the lake and affecting five houses in the area. The hope is that warmer temperatures will take care of the situation. Regarding last week's snowstorm, he acknowledged the good work by the 911 Center, the Emergency Planning Team, and others involved in the process of communicating information as needed. The storm played out exactly as predicted. The National Weather Service was extremely responsive in sharing information.

Office of Sheriff:

Sheriff Povero requested authorization for a Budget Transfer for the Purchase of Jail Medical Equipment. This transfer would move \$3,000 from the .4s to the .2s for the purchase of two digital blood pressure thermometers. These thermometers give more accurate readings, as well as the stethoscopes being an employee safety issue.

Supervisor Green moved approval as requested by Sheriff Povero. Supervisor Bendzlowicz seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

Sheriff Povero requested authorization to accept a Grant from the NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services. The Board authorized application for the grant last year for \$30,000, which was awarded to the County. There was a meeting prior to today's Committee meeting to review equipment needs, and there is a priority use for \$27,000 of that \$30,000. He is requesting an amendment to the resolution to use those funds to purchase additional Tasers, rather than purchase a License Plate Reader. The grant does not require that the money has to be used for License Plate Readers. Discussion followed. The remaining \$3,000 for technical supplies would be used for individual digital scanners for officers to use in the vehicles to accurately read the new state operators' licenses.

Supervisor Green moved approval to amend this resolution as requested by Sheriff Povero. Supervisor Bendzlowicz seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

Sheriff Povero to request authorization to apply for the Mary Clark Thompson Grant for the purchase of one MedReturn unit at a cost of \$995.

Supervisor Green moved approval as requested by Sheriff Povero. Supervisor Bendzlowicz seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

Sheriff Povero updated the Committee on the Jail population. February revenue for housing inmates from other counties was \$2,295. For safety and security reasons, three of our inmates are housed in other counties in the immediate Ontario County area for a cost of \$8,670 for February for February for February. Today's population is 211. The weekend high was 218. Pods 4, 5, 7, and 8 are full. Pod 2 (female) has 37 inmates.

Sheriff Povero updated the Committee on last week's snowstorm. The weather forecast was correct. He complimented Emergency Management, 911, and the other partners for their hard work during the storm. The school districts deserve a lot of credit for accepting that the weather forecast was correct and closing schools in advance. This was a safety factor for students and also helped in reducing road traffic during the early morning. Parents had an opportunity to plan for child care, which also helped. He discussed the storm timeline and travel advisories that were issued. These advisories were voluntary in nature. Because the advisories were adhered to, traffic was minimal and total crashes were lessened. None were life threatening. The Sheriff also noted that the Town highway crews should be thanked for their efforts in clearing the roads. They stayed out during the height of the storm and their efforts made a difference in not having to upgrade the travel advisories. Discussion followed.

Other Items:

Mr. Rougeux requested authorization for the appointments of Judge Lew and Judge McGuire to that ATI Board.

Supervisor Green moved approval as requested by Mr. Rougeux. Supervisor Hilton seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

Ms. Gates addressed the Committee regarding the Financial Update that was sent out. The report shows where each department stands in their operating budget. Discussion followed. Per a question regarding the .1s not being included in the D.A.R.E. budget, Ms. Gates advised that historically an officer's time has not been tracked within the D.A.R.E budget. That will change for 2014 per last year's Committee request. This will be shown as a chargeback to the Sheriff's Office within the D.A.R.E budget for the time the officers spend on D.A.R.E.

Supervisor Green stated the Committee has been formed for the selection of the Conflict Defender and it is moving forward. Each of the four actual Supervisors involved and the President of the Bar are each interviewing different segments of the system and will report back at the next Committee meeting. Mr. Garvey gave an update on the process for advertising the position to various Bar Associations, review of applications and interviews. The target goal is to have the Conflict Defender start by July 1, 2014, with the offer of employment confirmed by the Board of Supervisors by the end of May. The County is now recruiting for a STOP-DWI Program Administrator. The position is in the competitive class and the individual hired will have to take an examination. Applications are due by March 28. An appointment will be made provisionally as an exam is not yet available.

At 2:47 p.m. Supervisor Hilton moved to adjourn the meeting. Supervisor Bendzlowicz seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda A. Hudson
Confidential Secretary