

**REGULAR MEETING OF
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
Ontario County Safety Training Facility
September 4, 2012, 2:00 P.M.**

Committee Members	Others Present
Samuel Casella, Chairman	John Garvey, Philip Povero, Tom Harvey,
Mary Luckern	Steve DeChick, Jeff Harloff, Deb Bergstresser
John Champlin	Dru Malavase, Alice Haskins, Ray DeRuyter
Norm Teed – Necessarily Absent	Halle Stevens, Mary Gates
Robert A. Green, Jr.	
Donald Ninestine	

The Public Safety Committee met in the Ontario County Safety Training Facility on Tuesday, September 4, 2012 at 2 p.m. for a regularly scheduled meeting. The meeting was chaired by Supervisor Casella.

Approval of Minutes:

Supervisor Luckern moved approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting and Budget Meeting held on August 13, 2012. Supervisor Champlin seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

Presentation – Bath Salts/Synthetic Drugs:

Supervisor Green requested approval of a resolution Urging New York State to Ban Manufacture, Distribution, Sale and Possession of Dangerous Unregulated Synthetic Drugs. This came up as a resolution from the Inter County Association of Western New York. Supervisor Green does paramedic work at Soldiers and Sailors Hospital and had two cases of synthetic drugs and synthetic marijuana this summer. There are many side effects including elevated heart rate and blood pressure. Supervisor Green gave a brief slide presentation to the Committee showing the dangers of these drugs and the ways that they are being packaged such as insect repellent, incense, electric screen. There was a brief discussion after the slide presentation.

Supervisor Champlin moved approval as requested by Supervisor Green. Supervisor Luckern seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

Planning Department:

Mr. Harvey requested approval for payment of the following invoices for Communications Capital Project 7-2006.

- A. Communications International in the amount of \$22,100.00
- B. Communications International in the amount of \$67,282.11

Supervisor Ninestine moved approval as requested by Mr. Harvey for the above listed invoices. Supervisor Luckern seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

Mr. Harvey to request authorization for Change Order with Communications International for construction delays at Shay Road, in the amount of \$22,120.00. The cost was originally thought to be around \$40,000.00 but was less as Harris contracted with Communications International to do their antenna placement and other work and C.I. only asked that we cover their project manager salary for two months. Harris paid the salaries for the C.I. on-site workers.

Mr. Harvey to request authorization for Change Order with R.J.Schickler for construction delays at Shay Road. They put up the towers and requested the cost be covered to remobilize their cranes and other equipment, which is \$3,500.00.

Supervisor Ninestine moved approval as requested by Mr. Harvey for the two above listed Change Orders. Supervisor Luckern seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

Mr. Harvey requested that Item #6, Resolution for Creation of new UHF Simulcast Network Project, be pulled from the agenda.

Mr. Harvey presented a new resolution to the Committee for Item #7, for the Rejection of Bid B12066 Emergency Radio Communications Capital Project. We received one bid for \$2 million dollars and the bid far exceeded the funds available. Kimball has been requested revise their specifications. The County cannot pay that amount of money for a UHF Overlay System. Discussion followed.

Supervisor Luckern moved approval for rejection of bid as requested by Mr. Harvey. Supervisor Champlin seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

Budget Discussion:

Mr. Garvey addressed the Committee advising that all of the Committees' Chairpersons had met last Thursday to identify where the County is at with the 2013 budget. Input was given to the Chairman of the Board and the Financial Management Chairperson. If the budget were approved, the tax rate would have to be increased by 66 cents to \$6.89 per thousand. If the County wishes to increase the budget to that, we would be within the tax cap and the gap would be 4.2 million, an increase of 4.2 cents per 1,000. Mr. Garvey and Ms. Huber sent out a memorandum to all department heads, outlining steps to review the current 2012 budget and the 2013 budget to find where funds could be returned and cuts made. Supervisor Casella stated that there was a lot of good discussion. He is ready to work on the budgets.

A lengthy discussion followed regarding position needs and possible ways to make changes to the budget. Chairman Casella suggested a meeting to review each department's recommendations before Financial Management on Tuesday, September 18. It was decided that a special budget meeting would be held on Monday, September 17, at 10:30 a.m. in Room 218, Human Resources Building. Chairman Casella requested that Linda Hudson send an email to all Public Safety Department heads advising them of the meeting. Supervisor Ninestine asked that the recommendations be mailed to the Public Safety Committee Supervisors ahead of time. Linda Hudson will send out a special mailing of this information prior to the September 17 meeting.

Office of Sheriff:

Sheriff Povero requested authorization to accept a donation from the Finger Lakes Racing Association in the amount of \$1,579.11 for services rendered during their summer concert session.

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

Chief Haskins addressed the Committee regarding a budget transfer request of \$140,000 for jail overtime expenses. The overtime budget has been driven a lot by a few factors. The first is the number of people out on disability for long periods of time. There are a maximum number of 11 people out. Part of the staffing is minimum staffing and we have never gone over the minimum staffing. Whenever there is absenteeism of any kind, it is filled with overtime due to the time it takes to get a disability position in place, if that is possible. In addition, the number of people needed for hospital details is increasing. Some inmates have issues with bath salts, other problems. When an inmate is transported to the hospital, they have to be supervised 24 hours a

day. These details are one-on-one. This is typically overtime. In one 36-hour period last week, there was 142 hours overtime and 13 people utilized in one day for court transports. Two inmates were in the hospital, one with staph infection, one with a heart problem. The one with staph infection came back to the jail but needs IVs three times a day for the next 30 days. One inmate needs dialysis three times a week and the appointments are about five hours each time. Chairman Casella has been asked for a description to be included with the Budget Transfer request. Chief Haskins will provide the narrative and Supervisor Casella expressed his appreciation for that. This should then be sent out to the Committee and the full Board. Discussion followed with regard to inmates transported to the hospital with side effects from bath salts/synthetic drugs. Not every person has the same reaction and sometimes it is hard to determine what is wrong with them. Even after they detox, the effects can linger for a long time.

Ms. Gates addressed the Committee regarding Jail Medical. The Budget Transfer was prepared when the 2013 Budget was being prepared. Since then, they have received notification of additional large cost medical issues at the Jail. One is the dialysis patient there are a couple of others. There will be some large bills coming through but originally thought this transfer would be sufficient. It may not be. There may be an additional transfer requested.

Supervisor Luckern moved approval of the Budget Transfers for Jail Overtime and Jail Medical as requested by Chief Haskins. Supervisor Green seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

Sheriff Povero requested authorization to apply for a grant from the NYS Division of Criminal Justice for funding up to \$30,000.00, from the Law Enforcement Anti Drug Anti Violence Crime Control and Prevention Program. We would like to apply for these funds. The State has said the funds may support the purchase of a license plate reader for the Sheriff's Office.

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

Sheriff Povero requested authorization to contact with the Victor Central School District and the Honeoye Central School District for one full-time School Resource Officer who will split his time between the Victor and Honeoye School Districts. Discussion followed.

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

Chief Haskins updated the Committee on the Jail Population. The weekend high was 214 inmates. There are 10 Federal females. The minor population (18 and under) is pretty stable at 11 males and 2 females. The state ready are being moved regularly. There are 12 new parole arrests, with no other charges over than the violation of parole. This is fairly high compared to recent numbers. There are still two long-term inmates that the Chief has previously mentioned. Again, these are both high expenditures. Combined medications for both run about \$18,000.00 per month.

Other Items:

Supervisor Champlin asked about the cost the County for the CMAC details this summer. Sheriff Povero advised we could provide this information. It will be much more than the donation of \$25,000 they give. There were 22 concerts this year. Three were considered sellouts. The Dave Matthews concert was capped at 12,000-12,500 so it was a sellout even though the shell was not sold out. The Sheriff's Office worked 1,474 hours, not including the last concert, which was Sunday. There were 32 arrests, 4 were DWI. The Sheriff and County Administrator have started meeting with CMAC personnel to analyze this year and to look at improvements for next year.

Ms. Gates addressed the Committee regarding two other areas besides Jail Medical that may require additional funding. One is the Immigration billing. This was discussed previously at Committee. The Federal government says there is a discrepancy between how much we are billing and they are paying, based on what they say is the contracted amount. They have submitted a bill, which has been turned over to the County Attorney's Office along with all the information. They are claiming a contract dispute. Currently, we are looking at approximately \$150,000.00 that we may them back for Immigration housing. It will probably be about \$15,000.00 lower by the next meeting, as that is what is billed out on a monthly basis. The other item is Assigned Counsel. As of August 31, 2012, they are at 85% of their full budget. In July, it was 70% and 15% was spent in one month. Ms. Gates does not think the remaining funds will cover the rest of the year.

Sheriff Povero requested the Committee go into Executive Session to discuss the employment history of a long-time employee.

Supervisor Ninestine moved to close the Regular Meeting at 3:15 p.m. to go into Executive Session. Supervisor Green seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

Supervisor Luckern moved to close the Executive Session at 3:25 p.m. to return to the Regular Meeting. Supervisor Green seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

Supervisor Ninestine made a motion to commend Carol Marx for all her years of dedicated service to Ontario County. Motion was carried unanimously.

Chairman Casella adjourned the meeting at 3:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Hudson
Sr. Typist