

Public Safety Committee Minutes
June 14, 2011 – 3:00 p.m.

Present: Chairman Wormuth; Supervisors Kinowski, Veitch, Wood, Southworth, Sausville, and Collyer; Spencer Hellwig, Administrator; Ryan Moore, Mgmt. Analyst; Dan Miller, Paul Lent, Ed Tremblay, Paul Parker, Emergency Services; Jim Murphy, District Attorney; Jason Kemper, Planning; Daniel Butler, Animal Shelter; Press.

Chairman Wormuth called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance.

On a motion made by Mr. Kinowski, seconded by Mr. Veitch the minutes of the May 10, 2011 meeting were approved unanimously.

Mr. Murphy requested a resolution to accept a Crime Victims Grant in the amount of \$68,352 designated for the Crime Victims Unit, providing direct services to victims.

A motion was made by Mr. Wood, seconded by Mr. Kinowski to accept a Crime Victim Board Grant in the amount of \$68,352. Unanimous.

Mr. Butler said this has been one of the slowest months the shelter has had as far as adoptions in the past five years. It is not just here, but in many other counties, as well. The second annual pet adoption day “Petapalooza” will be held on Saturday, June 18th from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Curtis Lumber. Curtis Lumber will not underwrite this year’s event, but the adoption fees will be reduced for the day.

Mr. Butler said the Adoption Trailer is expected within the next several weeks. He said the spaghetti dinner that was scheduled for earlier in the month was cancelled due to a lack of ticket sales. Donations have been down recently and there were several community events planned for that same weekend, which were contributing factors.

Mr. Lent said the Sheriff’s Department has been cut over to the new Radio System, the EMS Service will be cutting over on June 27th and the fire service will be cutting over in July. All the new dispatch consoles are in service, both at the Sheriff’s Department and the backup center. The project is under budget and it is anticipated that it will remain under budget when completed.

Mr. Lent said the President issued a Presidential Disaster Declaration for a number of counties as a result of the late April flooding. Luckily, the county did not have a lot of public property damage, so we didn’t qualify, although, there were some private residents that were affected. We are waiting to see if the declaration will open aid to private residents that were affected by the flooding, he said. To date, there has been no date set as to when that determination will be made.

Mr. Kinowski thanked Mr. Lent and Emergency Responders for their support to his town and residents during the recent flooding.

Mrs. Wormuth asked how people reacted to the reverse 911 call that was done as a test to the Supervisors? Mr. Lent said not everyone responded. There were approximately 16 positive responses. Ultimately, between recalls and texts, there might have been one that didn't do through. When the results were reviewed, it was a success he said.

Mr. Kinowski asked if he could receive the Emergency Management Plan electronically. Mr. Lent said he would send it in a PDF format.

Mr. Tremblay reviewed the Fire Services Report as follows: A Firefighter 1 course that was held in Ballston Spa was completed with 18 completing the class. The Fire Reporting Workshop was held at the Ballston Spa Fire Station with 26 in attendance. There were six calls responded to by the County Fire Investigation Unit.

Mr. Tremblay said the storage container unit has been ordered. Mr. Tremblay said he has met with one iron contractor with regard to repairs needed at the fire-training center and will be meeting with another contractor next week. DPW has been doing some work on the classroom building fixing leaks and miscellaneous items.

Mrs. Wormuth asked for an update at next months meeting as to what is still outstanding.

Mr. Tremblay requested approval to spend an amount not to exceed \$120,000 on a GIS Pictometry Project. This project will be funded with funds accepted from a Homeland Security Grant, he said.

Mr. Kemper said in the fall of 2007 and the spring of 2008 through the Sheriff's office, the Planning Department acquired Pictometry Imagery, which allows an aerial image of the front and back of the building and both sides. This is done county wide, and then the imagery is used by Emergency Services, Sheriff and District Attorney's office, and is part of the GIS component. Some of it is put on the web viewer, and some is not, he said.

Mr. Kemper said the State Office of Cyber Security is not doing the aerial photos that they used to on a regular basis, so there is old and outdated imagery out there that needs to be redone.

Mr. Kemper requested contract approval with Pictometry International Corp. for the updating of aerial imagery for a total cost of \$108,989. This project is 100% State funded, and will have no budget impact, he said.

A motion was made by Mr. Veitch, seconded by Mr. Kinowski to approve a resolution to authorize the Chairman to enter into an agreement with Pictometry International Corp. to provide aerial imagery services at a cost not to exceed \$108,989. Unanimous.

On a motion made by Mr. Wood, seconded by Mr. Kinowski the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Chris Sansom