

Public Safety Committee Minutes  
December 11, 2012 – 3:00 p.m.

Present: Chairman Peck; Supervisors Lawler, Wormuth, Jenkins, Lucia, Veitch, Southworth, Wood and Grattidge; Ryan Moore, Mgmt. Analyst; Dan Miller, Paul Parker, Paul Lent, Emergency Services; Daniel Butler, Animal Shelter; James Bowen, Sheriff; Michael Woodcock, Undersheriff; Robert Murphy, STOP DWI Coordinator; Mickey Mahoney, Probation; Margot Ammon, Helen Cranshaw, League of Women Voters; Press.

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

**On a motion made by Mr. Lucia, seconded by Mrs. Wormuth the minutes of the November 13, 2012 meeting were approved unanimously.**

Sheriff Bowen requested a one year renewal of contracts with the Town of Clifton Park and Halfmoon for a total of approximately \$720,000. He said the current contract will expire on December 31, 2012.

**A motion was made by Mrs. Wormuth, seconded by Mrs. Southworth to approve a resolution to renew a one year contract with the Town of Clifton Park and Halfmoon for law enforcement, for an approximate total of \$720,000. Unanimous.**

Mrs. Wormuth said Halfmoon is very happy with the services they receive, as it worked out well with our community being so large. The Sheriff gives us a lot of flexibility if there are specific needs that the town needs covered such as zones, she said. The business community is very happy with the business checks that are done and it works out well for the town with not having to hire our own security force.

Mr. Butler said for the month of November there were 155 animals received at the shelter, with 120 adoptions. Rabies for the year has been relatively low compared to previous years with one rabid skunk this month. Mr. Butler said it is estimated that the shelter will take in approximately 3,000 animals by the end of the year.

Mr. Butler said he has spoken to the owners of Country Acres Feed Store in Burnt Hills where three cages have been setup for adoptions of cats. He said, thus far, all cats that have been sent for adoption have been adopted.

Mr. Mahoney from Probation stated that the Probation Department has been awarded a Governor's Traffic Safety Grant in the amount of \$44,745. This is a grant that helps to offset the costs to the county for monitoring of the ignition interlock device that Leandra's Law passed in mid-2010 when all DWI convictions from Misdemeanor to Felony have to have an ignition interlock device installed on any vehicle that they own or operate.

**A motion was made by Mr. Lucia, seconded by Mrs. Wormuth to approve a resolution to accept a Traffic Safety Grant in the amount of \$44,745 to be used for the monitoring of the Ignition Interlock Program through Leandra's Law. Unanimous.**

Mr. Murphy said the STOP DWI grant is from the State. He said there are quite a few counties in the State and they asked each county through their County Traffic Safety Board to apply. Saratoga County was very fortunate to receive \$22,680, he said. This grant is called a Crackdown Grant, where Saratoga County is going to work through and with other counties to have saturation points which will include the last three weekends of December and through the holidays including New Years'. The grant also encompasses 2013 on four days including Super bowl, July 4<sup>th</sup>, Labor Day, and Memorial Day.

**A motion was made by Mr. Lawler, seconded by Mr. Veitch to approve the acceptance of a Governor's Traffic Safety Grant in the amount of \$22,680. Unanimous.**

Mr. Jenkins commended the Chairman for doing a fine job leading chairing the Public Safety Committee this year. Mr. Lucia seconded.

**On a motion made by Mr. Lucia, seconded by Mr. Jenkins the meeting was adjourned.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Chris Sansom