

## LABOR/MANAGEMENT SAFETY COMMITTEE

June 23, 2006 – 10:00 a.m.

PRESENT: Chairman Frank Thompson; Supervisor Al Janik, Greenfield; William Benosky, DPW; Thomas Adriance, Malta; Bob Hartman, Safety Officer

Chairman Thompson called the meeting to order.

On a motion by Mr. Janik, seconded by Mr. Benosky, the minutes of the meeting of March 21, 2006 were approved by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Hartman displayed copies of this year's Safety Suggestion Contest poster that will be sent to all County departments that will be accompanied by a cover letter. He said the Committee may want to review the Safety Suggestion Rules to see if there is anything they want to change. He said the rules will also be sent with the letter and posters. He stated there is also a receipt letter sent out which is an acknowledgement for those people who put in a suggestion. He said permission is also requested of the County Administrator to put a statement on employees' check stubs announcing the Safety Contest, and then the Treasurer's Office does that.

Chairman Thompson said a lot of time was taken going around to various County buildings to do safety inspections. He asked what happened with the winning suggestion of putting defibrillators in each building, as nothing has been done. Mr. Hartman stated we made a commitment to give it to the Public Safety Committee for their review. Chairman Thompson said this should be revisited by that Committee.

Chairman Thompson suggested that department heads and their deputies should be excluded from putting in safety suggestions. He said they already make good money as it is. Mr. Janik said the contest should be limited to the rank and file employees. **Mr. Janik moved to go forward with this year's Safety Suggestion Contest with an amendment to the contest rules eliminating department heads and their deputies. Mr. Adriance seconded. Unanimous.**

Mr. Hartman stated the posters will be going out Monday. He said one suggestion already has been received. He mentioned the deadline on receiving suggestions is September 19<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Hartman distributed copies of a memo he received from the Deputy Commissioner DPW/Buildings regarding resolutions to the safety issues that were found during the recent visits to various County buildings.

Mr. Hartman said for certain safety suggestions that are received, he will notify DPW Commissioner Ritchey that they have merit and should be rectified right away.

On a motion by Mr. Janik, seconded by Mr. Benosky, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine M. Sodemann