

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

October 13, 2009 – 2:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Chairman Wormuth; Supervisors Barrett, Grattidge, Jenkins, Rowland, Wright; David Wickerham, Co. Administrator; Dan Butler, Animal Shelter; Paul Lent, Ed Tremblay, Emergency Services; Mark Hoppe, Blue Wing; Britta Deggenstein, Motorola, John Mazur, Fire Advisory Board; Paul Parker, Deputy Fire Coordinator; League of Women Voters Reps (2); Press

Chairman Wormuth called the meeting to order.

Mr. Jenkins moved to approve the minutes of the September 8th meeting. Mr. Barrett seconded. Unanimous.

Mr. Butler distributed copies of his monthly report for September. He said they have started to slow down until the end of March of next year when everything will pick up again. He mentioned there were zero positive rabies cases for the month.

Mr. Butler requested that \$15,000 be transferred from Trust Account Funds to pay for: \$10,000 doctor bills for spay/neutering; \$3,000 prescription drugs; and \$2,000 for animal supplies. He said this money is all donations that people have made to the Shelter. ***Mr. Grattidge moved to approve this transfer. Mr. Rowland seconded. Unanimous.*** (Committee approval only).

Chairman Wormuth asked Mr. Butler how the adoption center was going at the Clifton Park Center Mall. Mr. Butler stated 80 cats have been adopted since September 18th. He said they will be taking pictures, and hopefully, there will be a grand opening there within a week or two. It is very well worth anything we put into going down there, he said. He said he has had nothing but compliments about it. Chairman Wormuth stated a press release will be issued. Mr. Barrett said he would like more information on this adoption clinic to be put on the Town's website, and he requested Mr. Butler to get him some information. Mr. Grattidge asked about dogs being brought down there for adoption. Mr. Butler said one dog was sent down, and the issue is, they have to be cat friendly.

Mr. Tremblay distributed copies of his Fire Services Report for September, and he briefly reviewed it. He requested a ***resolution to accept the FY2008 State Homeland Security Program Grant for \$246,000. Mr. Barrett moved to accept this grant. Mr. Grattidge seconded. Unanimous.***

Mr. Tremblay requested a ***budget extension on the 2006 SHSP Grant for \$97,200 which \$32,410 remains. Mr. Jenkins moved to approve this budget extension. Mr. Barrett seconded. Unanimous.***

Mr. Lent distributed copies of his Monthly Departmental Report. He stated bids were opened for site construction on Mt. McGregor. He stated the County received four bids, and he recommended the low bid of Baron Utilities at \$191,000. He said so far, we are under budget. ***Mr. Rowland moved to authorize a contract with Baron Utilities, of Albany, NY, at \$191,000. Mr. Barrett seconded. Unanimous.***

Mr. Lent reported on July 22nd, the County received three bids from radio system vendors, and they were reviewed by our technical consultant, Blue Wing Services. He recommended that the radio system contract be awarded to Motorola, the low bidder, at \$11,796,299. ***Mr. Grattidge moved to authorize awarding this contract to Motorola. Mr. Rowland seconded. Unanimous.***

Mr. Lent said he has sought quotes from vendors for the relocation of the Plug Power fuel cell units at Providence and Halfmoon. He received three quotes, and he recommended awarding this contract to Crawford Electric, the low quote, at \$13,500. ***Mr. Grattidge moved to award this contract to Crawford Electric to relocate these units. Mr. Barrett seconded. Unanimous.***

Mr. Lent stated they have been working on developing a comprehensive County plan for natural Hazard Mitigation with Tetra Tec, our consultant, and with many of the local municipalities. We anticipate that a draft plan will be forwarded to FEMA by the end of November, he said. We anticipate the final plan will be ready for submission in April, 2010.

Mr. Jenkins moved to adjourn to executive session to discuss litigation. Mr. Rowland seconded. Unanimous.

On a motion by Mr. Rowland, seconded by Mr. Barrett, the meeting returned to open session.

Chairman Wormuth stated in executive session, the Committee discussed litigation on eminent domain proceedings for Lake Luzerne and are moving forward with that. She said we will be taking the appraisal and moving forward with a formal offer.

On a motion by Mr. Barrett, seconded by Mr. Rowland, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine M. Sodemann