## PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

July 13, 2010 – 3:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Chairman Wormuth; Supervisors Barrett, Daly, M. Johnson, Veitch, Wright; Southworth, Grattidge, Wood; Spencer Hellwig, Mgmt. Analyst; Paul Lent, Ed Tremblay, Dan Miller, Emergency Services; LWV Reps (2); Press

Chairman Wormuth called the meeting to order.

Ms. Daly moved to approve the minutes of the June 8<sup>th</sup> meeting. Mr. Veitch seconded. Unanimous.

Mr. Lent distributed copies of the Public Safety Radio Project Status Report (Report #5) and his Monthly Departmental Report. He stated Tim Breen and Jeff Reisner of the Communications Division of the Sheriff's Department, Mark Hoppe of Blue Wing consultants, and he went out to Chicago on June 27<sup>th</sup> to undertake factory acceptance testing procedures at Motorola. He distributed photos of some of the equipment. He stated the tests were fairly exhaustive, but everything went well. The equipment was delivered to all of the sites and is being installed as we speak. The entire Motorola team is working everyday through August to complete the work.

Mr. Lent said we obtained easements in the Town of Lake Luzerne, and we have heard back from the people with whom we had the eminent domain case with. They countered with a value from what we paid, and we are now back at a hearing point with the judge. He requested an amendment to the contract with Miller Mannix in an amount not to exceed \$10,000 so they can continue to represent the County in the eminent domain case. Chairman Wormuth asked what we have contracted for thus far, and Mr. Lent stated \$25,463. Chairman Wormuth asked if the remaining work could be done in-house. Mr. Lent stated Mr. Rider felt it would be better to keep it with the Miller Mannix venue. Chairman Wormuth said are we sure this amendment will get us to the end result? Mr. Lent said he feels confident it can, but some of this is out of our control. Chairman Wormuth said her only concern is we have a very capable and ample legal staff employed by the County, so I hope at some point as we deal with these issues, some of these can be sent to them so that there can be a savings to the County. Mr. Lent said it is his hope that we are done with eminent domain. Mr. Wright asked when do they go before the judge again, and Mr. Lent said he believes in August. Chairman Wormuth requested that Miller Mannix come to our next meeting and to Law & Finance's executive session to give us an update. Mr. Lent said he will see if they can be here tomorrow for Law & Finance.

Mr. Wright moved to authorize an amendment to the contract with Miller Mannix not to exceed \$10,000. Mrs. Johnson seconded. Unanimous.

Mr. Lent said we have, from time to time, received inquiries from wireless carriers about potential use of our sites for a co-location for their equipment. We could be in a position

to entertain some of these requests. He requested guidance on how to proceed with those inquiries as they come in. He said the use of cell phones and wireless devices are an entrée by the public. He distributed copies of a handout on <u>Cellular Carriers Using County Towers</u> that he prepared that the Committee may want to consider relative to the use of these sites. Not all sites will be wanted by all carriers, he said. Chairman Wormuth requested that this be reviewed by the Committee and discussed at next month's meeting so that everyone can have time to digest it and to e-mail Paul with questions if need be.

Mr. Lent stated yesterday, he went to the Buildings & Grounds Committee to ask for a utility easement for National Grid for the purpose of extending a utility line to the new electric fire pump located at the fire pond at the Fire Training Center. He said they were in support of granting that easement.

Mr. Lent mentioned we are tracking very good on our wireless 9-1-1 revenues.

Mr. Tremblay distributed copies of the Fire Services Report for May/June, and he reviewed its contents regarding Fire Training Center Use; State Fire Training Courses; a June 1<sup>st</sup> incident at 108 Third Street in Waterford; and some Miscellaneous items.

Mrs. Johnson requested that the subcommittee on the Child I.D. Program be reconvened since it hasn't met since the initial meeting. Chairman Wormuth said we will try to check on Preston Jenkins' schedule for this.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine M. Sodemann