

Public Safety Committee Minutes  
September 9, 2014 - 3:00 p.m.

Present: Chairman Barrett; Supervisors Johnson, Lent, Veitch, Wood, Wright, Lucia and Sausville; Spencer Hellwig, Administrator; Ryan Moore, Mgmt. Analyst; Deborah Oligny, Animal Shelter; Karen Heggen, District Attorney; Michael Zurlo, Col. Emery, Sheriff; Oscar Schreiber, Public Defender; Carl Zeilman, Ed Tremblay, Emergency Services; Press.

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

**On a motion made by Mr. Veitch, seconded by Mr. Johnson the minutes of the August 12, 2014 meeting were approved unanimously.**

Ms. Heggen requested approval of a resolution declaring October as "Domestic Violence Awareness Month".

**A motion was made by Mr. Barrett, seconded by Mr. Veitch to approve a resolution declaring October as "Domestic Violence Awareness Month". Unanimous.**

Sheriff Zurlo said GTL is the telephone service provider for the inmates at the jail. Last year the Sheriff's office took in \$90,000; it is projected that they will take in \$100,000 this year. The contract is for five years.

**A motion was made by Mr. Lent, seconded by Mr. Johnson to approve a resolution to enter into a five year contract with GTL for telephone service for inmates at the jail. Unanimous.**

Sheriff Zurlo requested approval of a contract with Royal Care Pharmacy. He said a savings of \$10,000 per month for the next year is projected with regard to pharmaceutical prescriptions. The contract is for one year beginning September 1, 2014.

**A motion was made by Mr. Veitch, seconded by Mr. Wood to approve a one year contract with Royal Care Pharmacy to provide pharmaceutical prescriptions to the jail. Unanimous.**

Mr. Schreiber requested authorization to enter into an agreement with the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services to accept a \$211,602 Indigent Legal Services grant for the Public Defender's Office and Conflict Defender's Office. The funds will go to improvements in the office and will pay for the Conflict Defenders salaries.

**A motion was made by Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Veitch to approve authorizing the Chairman to enter into an agreement with the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services to accept a \$211,602 Indigent Legal Services Grant. Unanimous.**

Mr. Zeilman stated that he emailed all committee members a copy of the Monthly Report from the Office of Emergency Services, and asked if there were any questions from the committee members. No questions were asked.

Mr. Barrett encouraged committee members to contact Mr. Zeilman if they have any information they would like have included in the monthly report.

Mr. Tremblay said the use of the Fire Training Center was low for the month of August. Work continues with the Clifton Park Fire Department and the Shenendehowa School District in planning a Full Scale Exercise at one of the school buildings, scheduled for October 19, 2014.

Mr. Tremblay requested a resolution for a Fire Prevention Grant in the amount of \$1,650. This will be used to purchase Lap Tops and Software for documentation of Fire Scenes and related reporting.

**A motion was made by Mr. Lent, seconded by Mr. Veitch to approve a Fire Prevention Grant in the amount of \$1,650. Unanimous.**

Mrs. Oligny gave a brief update on the monthly Animal Shelter Report stating that 178 animals were received at the shelter for the month, with 147 animals adopted out. Mrs. Oligny thanked the committee for allowing her to reduce the adoption fees for cats resulting in an increase in adoptions. A copy of the report was emailed to all committee members for their review.

Mrs. Oligny gave a brief overview of proposed fee schedule changes and municipal contract changes. A copy of the changes was emailed to all committee members for their review.

Mr. Barrett said he would like to give the committee members time to review the fee schedule changes and contract changes before voting on a resolution. He said some of the requests affect the general public coming into the shelter, and some of them affect the towns and cities directly.

Mr. Veitch said earlier this year he had mentioned that the Saratoga Springs Police Department was thinking about joining the Saratoga County Radio System. He said the Police Department put that as their number one capital budget priority for this year, which was voted on and approved. He said the Saratoga Springs Police Department will be a part of the Saratoga County Radio System beginning 2015.

**On a motion made by Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Johnson the meeting was adjourned unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Chris Sansom