

Public Safety Committee Minutes  
August 11, 2015 - 3:00 p.m.

Present: Chairman Barrett; Supervisors Wright, Lent, Johnson, Peck, Allen and Wood; Spencer Hellwig, Administrator; Steve Dorsey, County Attorney; Sheriff Zurlo, Undersheriff Mullahey, Deputy Chief Castle; Carl Zeilman, Ed Tremblay, Chief Williams, Emergency Services; Press.

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

**On a motion made by Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Peck the minutes of the July 14, 2015 meeting were approved unanimously.**

Mr. Barrett presented the subcommittee recommendations as follows:

1. Saratoga County should join the growing number of municipalities across the country and implement body cameras as standard equipment for Sheriff Deputies. A subcommittee should be established to review all facets of the implementation including all policies and procedures pertaining to the initiative.
2. Saratoga County should implement a Transport Team to improve the efficiency and deployment options of the Sheriff's Department. A Transport Team would immediately increase the amount of Deputies available for road patrol throughout the county.

**A motion was made by Mr. Lent, seconded by Mr. Johnson to approve the subcommittee recommendations as presented and forward them on to the full Board of Supervisors. Unanimous.**

Mr. Tremblay said up until approximately a year and a half ago NYS was doing the needed calibrations on the HazMat equipment; however, they no longer provide that service. A proposal for a per diem HazMat Coordinator is being made at a cost of approximately \$5,750/yr.

Mr. Lent said that County already has an agreement with the City of Saratoga Springs, which has been in place for a number of years for both training and response. He proposed amending the already existing agreement that is in place.

**A motion was made by Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Peck to support an amendment to the existing agreement with the City of Saratoga Springs. Unanimous.**

Mr. Hellwig said on an annual basis the Public Safety Committee is requested to approve an appropriation from the Animal Shelter Trust Fund to cover surgeries and Vet Tech costs for the spay and neutering of Animals at the Shelter. The request that is being made is \$60,000.

Mr. Hellwig said the current balance in the Animal Shelter Trust Fund is \$270,000.

**A motion was made by Mr. Lent, seconded by Mr. Allen to approve an appropriation from the Animal Shelter Trust Fund in the amount of \$60,000. Unanimous.**

Mr. Zeilman emailed a copy of the Emergency Services monthly report to all committee members for their review. There were no questions asked of Mr. Zeilman.

Mr. Tremblay emailed a copy of the Fire Training monthly report to all committee members. He said one addition to the report is that there will be a Codes Council meeting held on Wednesday, August 19th. Mr. Tremblay said he would keep the committee informed of the meeting agenda and time.

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

Respectfully submitted,  
Chris Sansom