

Public Safety Committee Minutes
September 9, 2015 - 3:00 p.m.

Present: Chairman Barrett; Supervisors Wright, Lent, Ziegler, Johnson and Allen; Chad Cooke, Deputy Administrator; Karen Heggen, District Attorney; Carl Zeilman, Ed Tremblay, Emergency Services; Sheriff Zurlo; Craig Hayner, County Clerk; Press.

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

On a motion made by Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Johnson the minutes of the August 11, 2015 meeting were approved unanimously.

Ms. Heggen requested a resolution proclaiming October as "Domestic Violence Awareness Month" in Saratoga County.

A motion was made by Mr. Lent, seconded by Mr. Allen to approve a resolution proclaiming October as "Domestic Violence Awareness Month" in Saratoga County. Unanimous.

Mr. Zeilman said he emailed all committee members the monthly report from the Office of Emergency Services. He said the Office of Emergency Services is currently working with the Sheriff's office to replace the CAD Mobile 911 System.

Mr. Tremblay said he emailed all committee members the monthly Fire Training Report. He requested a resolution for the Chairman to accept the 2015 State Homeland Security Program Grant Spending Plan in the amount of \$217,500 with the following budget amendments:

- \$98,250 - VHF Radio Equipment for implantation of County Wide Radio System Failure Plan
- \$61,550 - I am Responding System Payments for the years 2016 and 2017
- \$55,000 - Breathing Air Compressor System Replacement
- \$2,700 - Copier Lease payments for EOC.

A motion was made by Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Ziegler to approve a resolution to accept a 2015 State Homeland Security Program Grant Spending Plan in the amount of \$217,500. Unanimous.

Mr. Barrett said upon a request by Chairman Veitch asking him to become more involved in the operation of the Animal Shelter he has set up a desk audit of each full and part time position at the Shelter as a good management practice. He said he would also like to explore measures to strengthen the relationship with the volunteers, as the county is very fortunate to have many volunteers that assist at the Animal Shelter, and the County would like to continue to strengthen that relationship whenever possible. Thirdly, he said he would like to review all the policies and procedures at the Shelter, as the process has begun to find a new Director of the

Shelter and the County wants the new Director and the Shelter to be successful. He said the Board of Supervisors has committed a tremendous amount of time, effort and funds to the care of Saratoga County animals, with not only the money to build the shelter, but all the efficiencies and comforts that are included within. Mr. Barrett said over the years he has visited the Animal Shelter many times, walking in unannounced, and after looking around finding it always to be immaculate.

Mr. Barrett said, when the Board of Supervisors invests a large amount of money in any project, we do it because we are making a strong commitment, in this case, to the Animals of Saratoga County.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Chris Sansom