

Public Safety Committee Minutes
April 5, 2023 – 2:30 p.m.

Present: Chairman John Lant; Committee Members C. Eric Butler, Joe Grasso, Mark Hammond, Jean Raymond, Kevin Tollisen, Kevin Veitch.
Steve Bulger, Ridge Harris, Stephanie Hodgson, Christine Rush, County Administrator; Michelle Granger, County Attorney; Karen Heggen, District Attorney; Michael Zurlo, Sheriff; Andre DelVaux, Michael Stanley, Ed Tremblay, Emergency Services; Andrew Blumenberg, Public Defender; George Conway, Conflict Defender; Sue Costanzo, Probation.

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

On a motion made by Mr. Butler, seconded by Mr. Hammond, the minutes of the March 8, 2023 meeting were approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Tollisen, seconded by Mr. Kevin Veitch, to authorize participation in the 2023 State STOP-DWI program and approving contracts with local participating agencies. Unanimous.

This grant is in the amount of \$249,325.

A motion was made by Mrs. Raymond, seconded by Mr. Hammond, to authorize participation in the 2023 STOP-DWI High Visibility Engagement Campaign (HVEC) & DRE Call Out Plan. Unanimous.

A motion was made by Mr. Tollisen, seconded by Mr. Butler, to authorize the acceptance of a \$250,000 grant from the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York for the purchase of body-worn and in-car cameras for the Sheriff's Office. Unanimous.

A motion was made by Mr. Hammond, seconded by Mr. Kevin Veitch, to authorize a contract with the Town of Malta for the provision of specialized law enforcement services. Unanimous.

This agreement will commence on May 1, 2023 and will terminate on December 31, 2023.

A motion was made by Mr. Tollisen, seconded by Mr. Hammond, to proclaim the week of May 7-13, 2023 as National Correctional Officers and Employees Week in Saratoga County. Unanimous.

A motion was made by Mr. Tollisen, seconded by Mr. Hammond, to authorize an agreement with Office Data Systems, Inc. to update, install and maintain iRecord equipment. Unanimous.

This agreement will be for an amount not to exceed \$134,450.

A motion was made by Mr. Hammond, seconded by Mr. Butler, to authorize an agreement with Axon Enterprise, Inc. to provide Evidence.com professional licenses to be used with body-worn camera video from law enforcement agencies. Unanimous.

This agreement will be for five years at a total cost of \$287,640.

A motion was made by Mr. Kevin Veitch, seconded by Mrs. Raymond, to proclaim April 23-29, 2023 as National Crime Victims' Rights Week in Saratoga County. Unanimous.

In recognition of National Crime Victims' Rights week, the District Attorney's Office and Quick Response Restoration will be hosting an event on April 23, 2023 from 2pm to 5pm at Quick Response in Round Lake.

A motion was made by Mr. Tollisen, seconded by Mr. Butler, to accept the Second Upstate Family Defense (Child Welfare) Quality Improvement and Caseload Reduction Grant to Public Defender, Conflict Defender and Assigned Counsel Program 18B. Unanimous.

This grant is in the amount of \$750,000.

A motion was made by Mr. Hammond, seconded by Mr. Tollisen, to authorize an agreement with the NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services to accept a 2022 Homeland Security Program Grant and amending the budget in relation thereto. Unanimous.

This grant is in the amount of \$148,535.

On April 18, 2023 programs will air at 7pm on channel 10 and 7:30pm on Fox relating to recruitment the Office of Emergency Services has been doing statewide.

A motion was made by Mr. Hammond, seconded by Mr. Kevin Veitch, to authorize the acceptance of a NYS Criminal Justice Services Grant (ATI Grant). Unanimous.

This grant is in the amount of \$26,224.

On a motion made by Mr. Butler, seconded by Mr. Hammond, the meeting was adjourned unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Bridget Rider
Deputy Clerk of the Board