

Public Safety Committee

Wednesday, December 6, 2023 2:30PM 40 McMaster Street, Ballston Spa, NY

Minutes

Present: Chairman John Lant; Committee Members C. Eric Butler, Joe Grasso, Mark Hammond, Jean Raymond, Kevin Tollisen, Kevin Veitch.

Supervisor Ed Kinowski; Steve Bulger, Ridge Harris, Stephanie Hodgson, Christine Rush, Anne Van Vorst; County Administrator; Michelle Granger, County Attorney; Karen Heggen, District Attorney; Michael Zurlo, Sheriff; Andre Delvaux, Ed Tremblay, Michael Stanley, Emergency Services; Andrew Blumenberg, Public Defender; George Conway, Samantha Kupferman, Conflict Defender; Susan Hayes-Masa, Coroner; Sue Costanzo, Probation.

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

On a motion made by Mr. Hammond, seconded by Mr. Butler, the minutes of the November 1, 2023 meeting were approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Hammond, seconded by Mr. Kevin Veitch, to authorize the acceptance of an Indigent Legal Services Grant (Distribution #14) from the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services. Unanimous.

Mr. Conway gave an overview of the grant. Total amount is \$423,201 over a period of three years. Mr. Conway thanked Samatha Kupferman in the Conflict Defender's office for her work on the grants with ILS.

A motion was made by Mr. Tollisen, seconded by Mrs. Raymond, to authorize an agreement with Locus Diagnostics, LLC. Unanimous.

Mr. Delvaux gave an overview of the agreement and services provided. The costs will be covered by a grant specific to radio programming.

A motion was made by Mr. Tollisen, seconded by Mr. Hammond, to authorize an agreement with the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services to accept a 2023 Statewide Interoperable Communications Grant (2023 SICG-Formula) and amending the 2023 budget in relation thereto. Unanimous.

The grant amount is \$766,246 and will run from January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2025.

A motion was made by Mr. Kevin Veitch, seconded by Mr. Butler, to authorize a renewal agreement with National Medical Services, Inc. D/B/A NMS Labs for Post-Mortem Toxicological Services. Unanimous.

Mrs. Hayes Masa reported that to date this year 125 autopsies have been performed and toxicology is performed on 99% of them.

A motion was made by Mr. Hammond, seconded by Mrs. Raymond, to authorize an agreement with the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services to accept a 2023-2024 District Attorney Salary Aid Program grant. Unanimous.

This is an annual grant provided to each County in the state to offset salary costs for the District Attorney. The amount is \$72,189.

A motion was made by Mr. Hammond, seconded by Mr. Kevin Veitch, to authorize an amended agreement with Primecare Medical of New York, Inc., Professional Care Medical Practice, p.c., professional Care Dental Services, P.C., and Personalcare Registered Professional Nursing, P.C. for the provision of nursing services at the Saratoga County Correctional Facility. Unanimous.

Mr. Zurlo gave an overview of the service. The amended agreement will include 24/7 nursing coverage for the Correctional Facility. Cost will be \$73,697.25 per month from February 1, 2024 until July 31, 2024.

Mr. Lant thanked all of the Committee members, Department Heads and employees for their work on the Committee this year.

On a motion made by Mrs. Raymond, seconded by Mr. Kevin Veitch, the meeting was adjourned unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, Therese M. Connolly Clerk of the Board