



# PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Time: 11:00 AM

Location:

74 Ontario Street, Canandaigua, NY and via WebEx

July 7, 2021

## MEMBERS PRESENT

- Chairman Robert Green
- Supervisor Cathy Menikotz
- Supervisor Greg Bendzlowicz
- Supervisor Todd Campbell
- Supervisor Mark Venuti
- Supervisor Daryl Marshall
- Supervisor Lou Guard

## OTHERS PRESENT

- Chris DeBolt, County Administrator
- Brian Young, Deputy County Administrator
- Jack Marren, Chair to the BOS
- Holly Adams, County Attorney
- Jeff Rougeux, Director of Probation
- Mary Gates, Director of Finance
- Sheriff Kevin Henderson
- Chief Steve DeChick
- Chief Christian Smith
- Nicole Tillotson, Secretary to the Sheriff
- Rebecca Mack, Supervising Nurse at Jail
- Diane Foster, Deputy Clerk to the Board

## OTHERS PRESENT via WebEx

- Jeff Harloff, Director of EMS
- Deb Trickey, EMS Coordinator
- Peter Brown, Grants Coordinator
- Betsy Landre, Sr. Planner

## CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Public Safety Committee was called to order at 11:02 am by Chairman Robert Green.

## MINUTES

Supervisor Mark Venuti made a motion to approve the minutes of the Public Safety Committee meeting from June 16, 2021. Supervisor Greg Bendzlowicz seconded the motion. The motion carried.

## OFFICE OF SHERIFF

### 9-1-1:

**Resolution:** Authorization to Extend Grant Funding for State Interoperable Communications FY 2017 Formula Grant Capital Project No. H047-18 from Department of Homeland Security Emergency Services

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Sheriff Henderson presented two resolutions to extend grant funding for State Interoperable Communications from the Department of Homeland Security. Chief Steve DeChick explained the use of the funds.

Supervisor Todd Campbell motioned to approve the two resolutions as a block, seconded by Supervisor Greg Bendzlowicz. The motion carried.

Sheriff Henderson presented two invoices for approval of payment. He

**Road Patrol:**

**Approval:** Axon Invoices SI-1735053 and SI735072

explained as in the last Public Safety Committee, they were items shipped without a purchase order. He said they have corrected the issue with the vendor. He said the vendor now understands that nothing gets done without a purchase order sent to them first.

Supervisor Guard motioned to approve the two invoices for payment, seconded by Supervisor Venuti. The motion carried.

Supervisor Daryl Marshall inquired if these invoices were in addition to the original project. Sheriff Henderson explained it is part of the original project, it's all the original money, and it's nothing new to the project.

Sheriff Henderson reported they are looking to go to Ways and Means to approve another 90-day temporary CPO position to help through the summer.

**Informational:** 90 Day temporary CPO position (Resolution will be presented to Ways & Means)

**Corrections:**

**Resolution:** Authorization to Renew Security Agreement with the New York State Unified Court System 2019-2024 Period 3

Sheriff Henderson presented a resolution to renew a security agreement with the NYS Unified Court System for their third period of April 1, 2021 through March 31, 2022. It is within the budgeted allotment.

Supervisor Daryl Marshall motioned to approve the renewal resolution, seconded by Supervisor Greg Bendzlowicz. The motion carried.

**Informational:** NCCHC Re-Accreditation

Sheriff Henderson introduced Rebecca Mack to the Committee noting she is the new nurse who oversees the jail medical unit. He explained she came to them at a point when they were in the middle of their accreditation for the National Committee and Correctional Healthcare. He said Ms. Mack jumped in and did everything and they received their accreditation. He recognized Rebecca Mack, Chief Christian Smith, all the staff, and the correctional deputies. He said it was very challenging because of COVID, but they were able to do the majority through virtual meetings. He said he was very honored at the work they have done.

**Informational:** Jail Population

Sheriff Henderson reviewed the jail population:

- Current –88
- Females –13
- Weekend High – 88
- Sentenced – 23
- Parole violations – 13 without additional criminal charges

The jail had 1,184 hours of overtime from June 16<sup>th</sup> – July 6<sup>th</sup>

**Informational:** Staffing

Sheriff Henderson passed out an informational document regarding staffing for road patrol, 911, and corrections. He explained the challenges in the road patrol staffing, noting where they are and where the shortages are. He reviewed number of employees with the years of service. He has had a number of transfers and are facing a lot of challenges and does not

	anticipate it stopping. The average years of services before transferring out is a little over three years. Sheriff Henderson believes some of the reasons are salary incentives and post-retirement healthcare. Supervisor Campbell asked if HR were doing exit interviews. Sheriff Henderson said yes, but they cannot mandate them. Sheriff Henderson also said that Tier 6 of the NYS Retirement has a significant impact on the law enforcement side of things. Sheriff Henderson also noted the low applications for the Civil Service exams noting their active recruitment efforts. Extensive discussion took place regarding all the staffing issues and possible ideas for a solution.
<b>PLANNING</b>	
	No items were submitted from Planning.
<b>DISTRICT ATTORNEY</b>	
	No items were submitted from the District Attorney.
<b>CONFLICT DEFENDER</b>	
	No items were submitted from the Conflict Defender
<b>PUBLIC DEFENDER</b>	
	No items submitted from the Public Defender
<b>PROBATION</b>	
<b>PULLED Resolution:</b> <i>Alternatives to Incarceration Program (Probation Department) Transfer of ATI Bail Reserve Monies to Purchase Drug Treatment Court Workbooks – 2021</i>	Jeff Rougeux noted he is asking to pull the resolution regarding ATI and the transfer of funds to purchase Drug Treatment Court Workbooks and will bring it back to the Committee next cycle along with taking it to the Ways and Means Committee next cycle.
<b>Resolution:</b> <i>Pretrial, Probation, and Parole Supervision Week – July 18- July 24, 2021</i>	Jeff Rougeux presented a resolution to recognize July 18-July 24, 2021 as Pretrial, Probation, and Parole Supervision Week.  Supervisor Campbell motioned to approve the resolution, seconded by Supervisor Greg Bendzlowicz. The motion carried.
<b>Approval:</b> <i>Budget Transfer - Fund Balance – Probation/STSJP</i>	Mr. Rougeux presented a budget transfer in the amount of \$46,839 from the fund balance for the County share of the STSJP program.  Supervisor Mark Venuti motioned to approve the transfer, seconded by Supervisor Greg Bendzlowicz. The motion carried.
<b>EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT</b>	
	No items were submitted for Emergency Management.
<b>CAMPBELL COMMISSION</b>	
	Supervisor Todd Campbell noted the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• They met for about two hours at the last meeting.</li> <li>• They are redoing what they will be looking at the next couple of years including bail reform and criminal justice systems everyday</li> <li>• Changing the mission statement to focus more on education and mental health.</li> </ul> Campbell Commission Mission Statement:

	<p><i>Continuous improvement to Criminal Justice Outcomes for the Ontario County Community with focus on:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>1. Behavioral Health</i></li> <li><i>2. Education</i></li> <li><i>3. Commitment to Furthering the Efforts of the Police Reform and Reinvention Collaborative</i></li> <li><i>4. Increased Communication and Collaboration with the Community</i></li> </ol> <p>Discussion took place regarding the phone system at the jail.</p>
<b>COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR</b>	
<i>Updates</i>	<p>Chris DeBolt gave the following updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Returning to normalcy.</li> <li>• Leaders Group in person for the first-time last week.</li> <li>• To err on coming in person to Committees even if you don't have agenda items.</li> <li>• ARP funding: they are trying to figure out a way to do something with broadband.</li> </ul>
<b>EXECUTIVE SESSION</b>	
	<p>At 12:11 pm, Supervisor Campbell motioned to move into executive session regarding matters which will imperil the public safety if disclosed. Supervisor Venuti seconded the motion. The motion carried.</p> <p>At 12:33 pm, Supervisor Campbell motioned to move out of executive session. The motion carried.</p> <p>Supervisor Campbell made a motion authorize the expenditure of not to exceed \$125,000 to implement temporary repairs to a 911 Communications Tower System, seconded by Supervisor Bendzlowicz. Chairman Green said he believes it may need an additional \$25,000. Supervisor Campbell amended his motion to authorize the expenditure for the repairs not to exceed \$150,000, seconded by Supervisor Bendzlowicz. The motion carried.</p> <p>At 12:37 pm, Supervisor Mark Venuti motioned to move into executive session regarding proposed, pending, or current litigation. Supervisor Campbell seconded the motion. The motion carried.</p> <p>At 1:02 pm, Supervisor Campbell motioned to move out of executive session. Supervisor Guard seconded the motion. The motion carried.</p>
<i>Next meeting date and time is Wednesday, July 28, 2021 11:00 am</i>	
<b>ADJOURNMENT</b>	On motion of Supervisor Campbell, the meeting was adjourned at 1:03 pm. Supervisor Bendzlowicz seconded the motion. The motion carried.
<p>Respectfully Submitted Diane R. Foster, Deputy Clerk to the Board</p>	