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**REGULAR MEETING OF
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
Ontario County Safety Training Facility
May 2, 2016 2:00 P.M.**

Committee Members:

Robert Green, Chairman
Margaret Hilton – Necessarily Absent
Gregory Bendzlowicz
Todd Campbell
Charles Evangelista – Necessarily Absent
Peter Ingalsbe

Others Present:

Mary Gates, Undersheriff Tillman, Bill Wright,
Leanne Lapp, Andrea Schoeneman, Alice Haskins,
Tom Harvey, Carla Jordan, Jeff Harloff, Steve DeChick,
Jeff Rougeux, Virginia Gumaer-Muller, Halle Stevens,
Kathleen Meyers, Barbara Pierce-Morrow

The Public Safety Committee met at the Ontario County Safety Training Facility on May 2, 2016. Chairman Green called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. Chairman Green declared Supervisors Evangelista and Hilton as Necessarily Absent.

Approval of Minutes:

Supervisor Bendzlowicz moved approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on April 11, 2016. Supervisor Ingalsbe seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

Ms. Lapp addressed the Committee concerning New Eligibility Criteria for Assignment of Counsel Promulgated by the Office of Indigent Legal Services. Until a few weeks ago, all counties set their own criteria to determine client eligibility for a public defender and most set their criteria based on Federal Poverty Guidelines (at 125% pre-tax). When created several years ago, the Office of Indigent Legal Services was given statutory authority to determine these guidelines. They did not act on that authority until recently, setting specific criteria that almost all counties are mandated to use when determining eligibility of a client. These guidelines will go into effect on October 2, 2016. Criteria is now 250% of Federal Poverty Guidelines (after tax). There are other changes as well. At this time, these changes are only for criminal court. Discussion followed regarding this new criteria and how it may impact caseloads as well as an increased financial impact on the county.

Ms. Lapp requested authorization to accept the following grants from the Office of Indigent Legal Services. She explained each grant. There was brief discussion.

- A. Hurrell-Harring Quality Improvement Grant
- B. Hurrell-Harring Counsel at Arraignment Grant

Supervisor Bendzlowicz moved approval to apply for both grants listed above, as requested by Ms. Lapp. Supervisor Campbell seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

Ms. Jordan presented two resolutions; both related to the development of the Mary Street site in Phelps.

- A. Transfer of Grant Funding and Appropriate Reserve Funding (Capital Project 5-2013 and Capital Project 6-2012).
- B. Amendment of a contract with Harris for Purchase and Installation of 700 MHz Interoperable Communications Equipment (Capital Project No. 5-2013).

Funds that were part of a state interoperable communications grant, received a few years ago were reallocated to start the development of the Mary Street site. The state agreed with that use. Several different grants and funding sources have been used for this site development as well. Further, it had been planned to use around \$45,000 of a

LEMPG FY-14 grant toward development for a generator and uninterrupted power supply. However, notice has been received that those funds cannot be used for that portion of the development. Therefore, Ms. Jordan is requesting to move \$45,732 of 9-1-1 reserves into the capital project for the equipment. She is also requesting to move the LEMPG grant to the CP 5-2013 project, putting funds toward interop equipment for Mary Street. The second resolution authorizes the purchase of equipment from Harris for \$131,000. \$61,000 from the \$2.2 million grant would be used and also the LEMPG grant (\$45,000) and \$23,000 from 9-1-1 reserves. Discussion followed.

Supervisor Campbell moved approval of Items A and B above, as requested by Ms. Jordan. Supervisor Bendzlowicz seconded the motion, carried unanimously, amended to show a correction on Item B (resolution for a contract with Harris), second to last Resolve should read “Two Million Two Hundred Seventy Two Thousand Three Hundred Twenty Eight Dollars”.

Ms. Jordan requested authorization for the Award of Bid 16052 and Authorization to Contract – Closing of Geneva PSAP Project (Capital Project 6-2015). The bid was received back on April 28 and Concord was the low bidder. This pertains to the equipment room at the Exchange Street site.

Supervisor Ingalsbe moved approval for the award of bid as requested by Ms. Jordan. Supervisor Campbell seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

Ms. Jordan request authorization for payment of the following invoices:

- A. L. R. Kimball Invoice No. 533934 for \$2,827.44 (CP 7-2006)
- B. Harris Corporation Invoice No. P000001715 for \$169,327.00 (CP 6-2015)
- C. McFarland Johnson Invoice No. 000000000001 for \$4,965.58 (CP 6-2015)

Supervisor Bendzlowicz moved approval for payment of the three invoices listed above as requested by Ms. Jordan. Supervisor Ingalsbe seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

Ms. Cirencione requested authorization for the transfer of Funds from Reserve for STOP-DWI.

Supervisor Bendzlowicz moved approval for the transfer of funds listed above as requested by Ms. Cirencione. Supervisor Campbell seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

Ms. Cirencione requested authorization of the transfer of funds from Reserve for the following programs:

- A. Geneva Boys and Girls Club (\$7,500)
- B. Never Alone Club (\$3,500)

Supervisor Bendzlowicz moved approval of the transfer of funds for Items A and B listed above as requested by Ms. Cirencione. Supervisor Campbell seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

Ms. Cirencione requested authorization for the Purchase of Equipment as follows:

- A. Purchase of License Plate Reader for Canandaigua Police Department
- B. Purchase of License Plate Radar for Ontario County Sheriff’s Office
- C. Purchase of Rader Guns for Geneva Police Department
- D. Purchase of Radar Guns for Phelps Police Department
- E. Purchase of Radio for Nightwatch Program

Supervisor Ingalsbe moved approval of all equipment purchases listed above as requested by Ms. Cirencione. Supervisor Campbell seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

Ms. Cirencione requested authorization to Accept Additional Grant Funds from NYS STOP-DWI Foundation to Supplement Existing Funding for STOP-DWI Crackdown.

Supervisor Bendzlowicz moved approval for the acceptance of grant funds as requested by Ms. Cirencione. Supervisor Ingalsbe seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

Ms. Cirencione requested an Appointment and Re-appointment to the Ontario County Traffic Safety Board:

- A. Re-appointment of Kevin Case
- B. Appointment of Chris Pritchard

Chairman Green moved approval of both the appointment and reappointment listed above as requested by Ms. Cirencione. Supervisor Bendzlowicz seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

Ms. Gumaer-Muller requested authorization for the transfer of ATI Bail Reserve Monies to Pilot Trauma Therapy Services to Probation and Treatment Court Programs. This is a two-year pilot program regarding the effects of early childhood trauma on clients coming through Probation and treatment courts. Family Counseling of the Finger Lakes will be collecting all of the data during this two year period to assess the program. Ms. Pierce-Morrow, Executive Director of Family Counseling of the Finger Lakes, spoke to the Committee regarding trauma therapy. A brief discussion followed.

Supervisor Bendzlowicz moved approval for the transfer of funds listed above as requested by Ms. Gumaer-Muller. Supervisor Ingalsbe seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

Mr. Harloff requested authorization for reappointments to Ontario County Fire Advisory Board. Mr. Harloff explained that eventually all appointments will be staggered on a three-year basis.

- A. Reappointments commencing July 1, 2016 and expiring on June 30, 2017
- B. Reappointments commencing July 1, 2016 and expiring on June 30, 2018
- C. Reappointments commencing July 1, 2016 and expiring on June 30, 2019

Supervisor Ingalsbe moved approval of all reappointments listed above as requested by Mr. Harloff. Supervisor Campbell seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

Mr. Harloff addressed the Committee regarding a request to Change/Fill Staff Positions in the Emergency Management Office. This was presented to Management Compensation last week and will be going to the Personnel Committee on Wednesday. An employee resigned his position in March. Mr. Harloff would like to abolish one full-time position of County Fire Instructor position and create a permanent part-time County Fire Instructor (Grade 14) and create an additional Training Aid Sub position. positions. This will make for a total of five Training Aid Sub positions. Discussion followed.

Supervisor Bendzlowicz moved approval for a motion of support for positions changes as requested by Mr. Harloff. Supervisor Campbell seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

Office of Sheriff:

Sheriff Povero requested authorization for acceptance of a donation for the Safe Child ID Program.

Chairman Green moved approval to accept the donation as requested by Sheriff Povero. Supervisor Bendzlowicz seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

Sheriff Povero requested authorization to apply for a Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program Grant from the U.S. Department of Justice. This is an opportunity to work with County Mental Health on jail related mental health issues on pre-trial cases. This is a competitive grant at the Federal level, with a 20% in-kind match. Discussion followed.

Supervisor Bendzlowicz moved approval of the grant application as requested by Sheriff Povero. Supervisor Campbell seconded the motion, carried unanimously, amended to correct wording in the first Whereas to “Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program” and to include wording that the grant award is up to \$250,000 over a twenty-four months with a 20% match, in-kind”.

Sheriff Povero updated the Committee on positions for their information and motion of support. At Management Compensation last week, two part-time positions were approved for Unified Court. A vacant full-time Correction Officer position will be abolished to create these part-time positions. Also, two part-time County Police Officer positions will be created to be assigned to Unified Court. The Court positions are reimbursed by New York State on a monthly basis. Further, the Sheriff would like to create two .25 part-time positions and assign two .50 part-time officers into those positions. This would leave a vacant .50 part-time position available.

Supervisor Bendzlowicz moved approval for a motion of support for position changes as requested by Sheriff Povero. Supervisor Ingalsbe seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

Sheriff Povero updated the Committee on Jail the population. Today’s count is 206 with a weekend high of 222. The Constant Watch area was utilized all weekend for various issues and worked very well.

At 3:12 p.m. Supervisor Campbell moved to adjourn the regular meeting. Supervisor Bendzlowicz seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda A. Hudson
Confidential Secretary