



PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Time: 11:00 AM

Location: Municipal Building

2nd Floor, Room 200

20 Ontario Street

Canandaigua, NY 14424

SEPTEMBER 5, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Green, Supervisors Bendzlowicz, Campbell, Sauers, and Venuti. Supervisor Westbrook was necessarily absent.

OTHERS PRESENT

County Administrator Mary Krause, Deputy County Administrator Brian Young, Sheriff Povero, Finance Director Mary Gates, Fiscal Manager Kathleen Meyers, Grant Coordinator Peter Brown, Associate Planner Carla Jordan, Human Resources Director Michelle Smith, Assistant County Attorney Leah Nacca, Assistant County Attorney Meghan Maslyn, Public Defender Leanne Lapp, Chief Communications Officer Steve DeChick, Probation Director Jeff Rougeux, and Deputy Clerk to the Board Diane Foster.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Public Safety Committee was called to order at 11:00 a.m. by Chairman Green.

MINUTES

Supervisor Venuti made a motion to approve the minutes of the Public Safety Committee meeting from August 15, 2018. Supervisor Bendzlowicz seconded the motion. The motion carried.

CAMPBELL COMMISSION

Supervisor Campbell pointed out the following:

- There was no meeting since the last Public Safety Committee meeting.
- Summary of the Pre-Plea trust accounts was presented with 93 current accounts with approximately \$35,000 released to date.

DISCUSSION

- ♦ *OFA/Jail Kitchen Consolidation:*

Mary Krause reminded the Committee that a Senior Kitchen Task Force was created, led by Michelle Smith with Supervisors Venuti, Ingalsbe, and Marshall

One of the recommendations was to consolidate the kitchens. It has been presented to the Health & Human Services and Ways and Means Committees. Next week they hope to meet with the Unions involved.

Michelle Smith provided a draft memo describing Civil Service procedure in accomplishing the transition and draft resolutions for the process with the unions. She reviewed the following steps:

- Get the support of the Committees
- Meet with the CSEA and SGU to discuss transfer of positions from one unit to the other including rate of pay and scheduling
- Training of both programs

- Draft Resolution to authorize the transfer of OFA positions to the Sheriff
- Draft Resolution change in supervisions at the jail with new titles Cook I and Cook II
- Draft Resolution abolishing position(s) that is(are) vacant

Mary Krause noted they are looking into packaging changes as well for the food service and are taking a look at providing weekend meals for the seniors.

PROBATION

Presentation Raise the Age

Jeff Rougeux provided a copy of the County's Raise the Age (RTA) Workgroup presentation. He said legislation, since April 2017, has had a tremendous impact on the County affecting ten departments within the County in addition to all the contracted service providers for services mandated by the state. Mr. Rougeux explained during the workgroup, they broke into smaller subgroups to deal with the specific legislation which included:

- Legal Subcommittee which is comprised of the District Attorney, County Attorney, Public Defender, Conflict Defender, the Youth Part Judge's Law Clerk and Attorney for a child to formulate a plan that follows the legislation for the Youth Part. Instead of having Criminal Court and Family Court, there will be an in between court called the Youth Part. He said that will be the most difficult to plan because it is brand new. They had Judge Doran, who is chairing the State's Committee on RTA, offer input as well as Judge Dennis. He noted the objective for RTA is to minimize the amount of detention or avoid detention at all costs if they can and to offer services where they can. He noted one issue is arraignment. He said that after hour's arraignment will need to be done in Monroe County until the judges are trained throughout the 7th Judicial District. Probation does not need to take part in the after hour's arraignment. The issue they will have is finding secure detention prior to sentencing; as there are not enough facilities in upstate NY. Monroe County is expanding theirs but won't be complete until 2020. They are looking at taking lower risk youth and moving them into our non-secure facility (Youth care facility). Because the state is promising 100% reimbursement for any additional costs it gives opportunity to expand services.
- Services Subcommittee/AO Detention is comprised of mostly Probation and other service providers. They recommended creating a Sr. Probation Officer whose special duties are RTA. They would handle all the 16 or 17 year old referrals. They also will begin an expedited diversion to get the 16 and 17 year olds in services as quickly as possible. They will minimize the use of detention by contracting with respite homes. Mr. Rougeux explained when there is a need for secure detention because there is minimal number of beds available; the County opted to seek secure detention beds when the need arises. Mr. Rougeux reviewed the budget

impact for the Services /AO Detention explaining that detention is the largest cost.

- Law Enforcement Subcommittee noting this is the first group impacted where they are establishing policies curriculum for law enforcement relative to RTA. Questions arose concerning bail, felony arraignments and the victims' perspective as well as other questions. Mr. Rougeux stated, every time the RTA Committee meets, questions arise and hope to address them at the meeting on September 14th.
- Training and an Administrative Group with a meeting scheduled on September 14th to provide sessions to cover how RTA affects functioning between County departments, schools and community agencies and to address questions that arise.

Mary Gates presented a summary budget of RTA and noted that they are from January to December and the numbers from Mr. Rougeux is based on different dates. She noted the expenses for staff, overtime, training, equipment and contractual. She said the state is still saying they will reimburse at 100% so there is no cost to the County in the budget. She addressed Supervisor Green's question on the tax cap and said, because there is no County cost, the additional expenditures have an offsetting revenue, so there is no tax necessary to help offset the costs; therefore does not impact the tax cap. She also noted that the County has to stay within the tax cap to be eligible to get the funding. If it is exceeded, then all eligible funding is lost. Ms. Gates addressed the overtime tracking and noted a current system is already used in other departments and they are creating a "hybrid" of that to be able to bill the costs back to the state.

OFFICE OF SHERIFF

- ◆ *Resolution: Authority to sign State/Local Task Force Agreement with U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration*
- ◆ *Resolution: Authorization to accept legislative grant from NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services*
- ◆ *Resolution: Authorization to accept grant from the NYS Governors' Traffic Safety Committee*
- ◆ *Resolution: Acceptance of donation for Hill Cumorah Pageant Traffic Control*

Sheriff Povero explained the agreement with the state and local task force and the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration. He thanked Leah Nacca for her efforts with the paperwork on this. He explained the agreement will allow Ontario County to deal with the opioid and drug problem not only in this county, but regionally. Mary Gates noted that they will add the dollars to the budget when presented to the Ways and Means Committee.

Sheriff Povero explained that the Dept. of Criminal Justice Services notified them that they are eligible for \$10K in grant funds that will support the purchase of ballistic vests.

Sheriff Povero said they received an award of \$3,500 from the NYS Governor's Traffic Safety Committee to continue to administer the child passenger safety program.

Sheriff Povero said they received a donation of \$18,345 from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints for the traffic control and support of the Hill Cumorah Pageant.

♦ *Resolution: Acceptance of Donation for D.A.R.E. Program*

Sheriff Povero said the Generations Bank of Seneca Falls would like to donate \$1,000 in support of the D.A.R.E. Program for the schools.

Supervisor Venuti motioned to approve as a block the foregoing five resolutions. Supervisor Bendzlowicz seconded the motion. Motion carried.

♦ *Information: Creation of Temporary Correction Officer Position*

Sheriff Povero noted that he has a part time correction officer who is willing to go to a 40 hour week while another officer is out on disability. He will present at the Ways and Means Committee a request for a part time correction officer position to become a temporary full time position for a 90 day disability.

♦ *Update: Jail Population*

Sheriff Povero reviewed the Jail population.

- Current - 154
- Weekend High - 156
- Females - 34
- Two pods are closed.
- Two minors are housed out.

Sheriff Povero noted they offered 2 full time positions and one part time position to candidates. He said that this leaves 3 FT and 5 PT vacant positions.

He reviewed the overtime status and noted they will begin another Basic Training Academy in October.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR:

♦ *Update*

Mary Krause noted the following updates:

- Received an email from Courts expressing pleasure with the Centralized Arraignment Program
- Invitation for the Board retreat on October 10th will go out the week of September 10th.
- A demolition kick off meeting was September 4th for 74 Ontario Street. Demolition on the inside will be starting the week of September 10th.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Confirm next meeting date and time: September 26, 2018 11:00 am, Regular Meeting

Sheriff Povero briefly noted that Public Health is reporting a total of 30 confirmed opioid overdose deaths for 2017. In 2016, there were 17 confirmed opioid deaths. Through the second quarter of 2018; 13 confirmed deaths with 5 pending. In August, the 911 Center took 40 calls requesting assistance to drug related overdoses.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Supervisor Venuti, the meeting was adjourned at 12:09 pm. Supervisor Bendzlowicz seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted
Diane Foster
Deputy Clerk to the Board