

PUBLIC SAFETY MEETING

September 5, 2023

The regular meeting of Public Safety, Probation, Office of Emergency Services, Coroner, and Stop DWI was held in the Legislative Conference Room at the Ronald E. Dougherty Office Building, 56 Main St., on Tuesday, September 5, 2023 at 2:30 PM.

Present:

Keith Flesher	Chair, Public Safety
Barb Roberts	Legislator
Marte Sauerbrey	Chair, Legislator (<i>in at 2:45</i>)
William Standinger	Legislator
Dale Weston	Legislator
Brian Cain	Director, Probation
Sheriff Gary Howard	Sheriff's Office
Mike Simmons	Director, Emergency Services
Bob Williams	Assistant Fire Coordinator (<i>in at 2:45</i>)

Guest:

Pete DeWind	County Attorney
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Absent:

Corrine Cornelius	Deputy Director, Emergency Services
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APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Approval of August 8, 2023 minutes:

Legislator Roberts made the motion, seconded by Legislator Weston, to approve the August 8, 2023 Public Safety minutes, as written. Motion carried.

PROBATION – Brian Cain:

FINANCIAL:

- 2023 Budget is on track.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Staff – Terri Rosenberger is retiring after 22 years of service.
- Probation Vehicles – New Dodge Durango was delivered last week. This completes updating Probation's fleet.
- Buddi, NY LLC Contract – proposed contract was received for electronic monitoring. Once the County Attorney has reviewed and approved it, a resolution will be presented to the Committee.
- Community Engagement – attended Field of the Fallen with Veterans. Staff has been great on volunteering.
- Quality Assurance Program – working with IT to create a computer-based system to randomly select cases to be audited on a monthly basis.
- Succession Planning – Fred Kiechle will be promoted to Probation Supervisor, replacing Terri Rosenberger, who will be retiring at the end of this month.
- Juvenile Delinquency Services- One (1) appearance ticket for the month of August. YTD 9 JDATs received to date.
- ATI Programs – Electronic Monitoring – one (1) individual is being monitored via VCheck24 phone app. Community Service – Weekend Work Program has resumed operation. Pre-Trial

Release – thirteen (13) people are being supervised via Pre-Trial Release Program. Court ordered investigations – 37 active investigations. Supervision – 192 cases – Violation of Probation – 21 defendants/respondents have violation petitions against them.

PERSONNEL:

- One vacant Probation Officer
- One vacant part-time Supervisor position
- One unfunded Probation Officer 1 position

RESOLUTIONS:

- Resolution Recognizing Teri Rosenberger's 22 Years of Dedicated Service to Tioga County
A resolution was presented recognizing Teri Rosenberger's 22 years of dedicated service to Tioga County.

(Committee agreed to move resolution forward)

OFFICE of EMERGENCY SERVICES – Mike Simmons:

FINANCIAL:

- Budget is on track.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Communications Project – Motorola's Engineering representatives visited four sites. It was suggested that the Apalachin site will need powerlines. Tower drawings should be available in a few weeks. Targeted grant – 2023 grant came out and we will be applying for additional funding for this project.
- CAD Project – No progress has been made to get the State Police added to the CAD system.
- EMS – Basic EMT Class has started with 12 students.
- Emergency Management – helped Village obtain extra light towers for the county fair. We continue to assist with the County Hazard Mitigation Plan along with Wendy Walsh and Elaine Jardine.
- Threat Assessment Management – working on Smart phone app. May need to do RFP will need to check with Grant liaison.
- Fire – the Owego Fire Department supplied fire protection to the fair as well as mutual aid.

NEW BUSINESS:

- None

PERSONNEL:

- None

RESOLUTIONS:

- None

SHERIFF – Gary Howard:

FINANCIAL:

- Revenues are at \$410,004 which is 75% of the budget. Inmate boarders are at \$196,832 which is 131% of the budget.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Jail Camera Project – is underway.
- Pistol Permit database changeover is almost completed.
- Body Worn Camera Project – body cameras are in. Training is set for September 12th.

- RFP for Jail Medical – was sent out to 5 contractors today.
- Jail population is 37 for August.
- Labor Issues – TCLEA and NCEU negotiation are being finalized.
- Litigation Issues – there is one ongoing case.

PERSONNEL:

- Update on Vacancies:
 - Civil - one vacant part-time Civil Deputy position
 - Corrections – 3 Corrections Office positions; 2 part-time Cook positions; no Corrections Officers are on light duty; 2 Corrections Officers are on military deployment.
 - Road Patrol – 2 vacant Deputy positions, no Deputies are currently on light duty; there is one Deputy in the Broome County Law Enforcement Academy. There are 2 unfunded Deputy positions that we would like to fill. Need guidance as to proceed with this.
 - Records – all positions are filled.
 - Administration – all positions are filled.

RESOLUTIONS:

- None

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 2:50 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Diane Rockwell

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Secretary to the Sheriff
9/5/23