

PUBLIC SAFETY MEETING

December 3, 2024

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, December 3, 2024 at 2:30 PM.

Present:

Keith Flesher	Chair, Public Safety
Marte Sauerbrey	Chair, Legislator
Barb Roberts	Legislator
William Standinger	Legislator
Brian Cain	Director, Probation
Sheriff Gary Howard	Sheriff's Office
Corinne Cornelius	Director, Emergency Services
Bob Williams	Assistant Fire Coordinator

Guest:

Cathy Haskell	Legislative Clerk
Jackson Bailey	County Administrator
Peter DeWind	County Attorney

Absent:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Approval of October 8, 2024 and November 5, 2024 minutes:

Legislator Standinger made the motion, seconded by Legislator Roberts to approve the October 8, 2024 and the November 5, 2024 Public Safety minutes, as written. Motion carried.

PROBATION – Brian Cain:

FINANCIAL:

- 79 % of budget. On Track.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Training: Working with NYS Police Major Crimes Unit on testifying training. Surrounding counties are moving forward with creating their own probation Regional Academy for the souther tier, it has been encouraged by NYS. Three people are interested in becoming trainers.
- New Durango should be arriving today.
- Juvenile Delinquency Services: One received for month of November.
- One Youth currently in juvenile sex offender treatment and two youth completing evaluations.
- Electronic Monitoring: Cycling people through. Currently there are five individuals being monitored.
- WWP: Currently suspended pending further court orders.

- Pre-Trial Release: there are 34 people being supervised.
- Court Ordered Investigations: 36 active cases opened.
- Supervising: 175 people currently.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Evidence based Atlas Digital Platform: Resolution to be submitted.
- Strategic Plan Goals: Survey will be distributed to staff early in 2025 to give input.

PERSONNEL:

- One Vacant Probation Officer 1 position exists.
- One unfunded Probation Officer 1 position remains unfunded.

RESOLUTIONS:

- None.

OFFICE of EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT – Corinne Cornelius:

FINANCIAL:

- Budget still within parameters.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Radio Project: Permitting packages have been delivered to the towns. There are some questions. New system will address all the needs where there are current coverage issues. Carmichael and Popple towers failed the structural assessments. Popple tower needs more structural integrity. Motorola is accessing what will need to be done to bring them in to compliance. Highway Department is assisting in creating an RFP for work that needs to be done at the Prospect Tower site. Committee formed to talk about talk groups and subscriber needs, kickoff meeting was held November 25, 2024.
- CAD Project: Working well. Other EMS agencies are joining.
- EMS: No Changes. Spring EMT class schedule running January 27 – May 19, 2025.
- Emergency Management: Corinne and Will attended the Regional Fire Administrators Conference in Montour Falls. Will completed the ICS400 Course.
- Threat Assessment Team: held a meeting to work through policies and procedures with the consultant from Squad9.
- Fire: Burn ban has been lifted as of November 29, 2024. Departments have been extremely busy. Fires have been suspicious in nature across the county.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Plans are continuing for Open House, with a tentative date of May 17th, 2025.

PERSONNEL:

- Will is learning and doing great as the new Deputy Director.

RESOLUTIONS:

- Amend Reso No. 395-24; Authorize Acceptance of 2024 Homeland Security Grant (SHSP24) and Appropriation of Funds
- Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Broome County Radio Communications

***Committee agreed to move these resolutions forward*

SHERIFF – Gary Howard:

FINANCIAL:

- Revenues are \$488,250.25 which is 89% of the budget. Expenditures are at \$10,989,418.85 which is 88% of the budget. Inmate Boarders are \$167,439.07 which is 112% of the budget.

OLD BUSINESS:

- TCLEA Contract is being finalized.
- Daily inmate population was 48.
- New building/garage project: Electric has been put in.

NEW BUSINESS:

- New LPR has been ordered; not yet delivered.
- Jail Camera replacement project is still ongoing.

PERSONNEL:

- Update of Vacancies:
 - Civil – One Vacant part-time Civil Deputy position.
 - Corrections – Three Vacant Corrections Officer positions; One Vacant Part-Time Cook position.
 - No Corrections Officers on Light Duty.
 - One on Military Deployment.
 - Road Patrol – Three Vacant Deputy positions.
 - No Deputies on Light Duty.
 - E911 – Three Vacant E911 Dispatcher Trainee Positions.
 - Records – all positions are filled.
 - Administration – all positions are filled.

RESOLUTIONS:

- Authorize Position Reclassification Sheriff's Office

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

Legislator Standinger made a motion, seconded by Legislator Roberts, to go into executive session at 3:11 PM to discuss Personnel Issues. In attendance was Legislators Flesher, Roberts & Standinger, Legislature Clerk Cathy Haskell; Legislator Chair Sauerbrey; and County Administrator Jackson Bailey.

Legislator Roberts motioned to adjourn Executive Session at 3:34 PM, seconded by Legislator Standing.

ADJOURNED:

Meeting was adjourned at 3:34 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

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