

## **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

**June 6, 2023**

Committee members: Rick Willson (absent), Patrick Killen, Bonnie Percy, Tim Cutler, Doug Paddock

Pat Killen chaired the meeting in Rick Willson's absence.

Others present: Bill Holgate, Dick Harper, Terry Button, Leslie Church, Dan Banach, Carlie Chilson (left at 2:18 p.m. and returned via Zoom at 2:28 p.m.), Ed Bronson, Mark Morris (Zoom), Nonie Flynn, Emilee Miller, Jessica Mullins, Todd Casella, Alyssa Palmer, Diane Caves, Ryan Bailey

Pat & Bonnie will do the audit this month.

Minutes of the May meeting were approved as submitted.

Legislative Zoom Attendees: 2 Other Zoom Attendees: 0

### **DISTRICT ATTORNEY: Todd Casella**

Todd reviewed his Monthly Statistics.

Todd provided Office Updates:

- STOP DWI Training was held on 5/31 at the Yates County Office Building.
- Two more defendants, Stephanie Ridley and Wayne Niles, plead guilty on the felony charges regarding the Sex Trafficking Case.
- Assigned Counsel Rates increased to \$158 per hour.
- Bail reform amendments.
- Jury trial, People v. Lissa Horning, scheduled for 6/26 in regards to unlawful practice of the profession of Midwifery.
- Special Prosecutor Assignment, Steuben County Assault on an ADA at CAP.
- District Attorney's Association Summer Conference is 6/21-6/25

### **PROBATION: Alyssa Palmer**

Alyssa reviewed the Monthly Statistics for May 2023:

YATES CO. PROBATION	May-22	Jun-22	Jul-22	Aug-22	Sep-22	Oct-22	Nov-22	Dec-22	Jan-23	Feb-23	Mar-23	Apr-23	May-23
Probationers	190	184	179	178	178	181	169	166	160	166	161	163	165
Investigations monthly	13	10	7	16	9	10	14	16	19	6	12	14	6
investigations year to date	58	68	75	91	100	110	124	140	19	25	37	51	57
Violation of Probation	2	6	4	2	1	2	3	2	2	3	1	1	3
VOP year to date	12	18	22	24	25	27	30	32	2	5	6	7	10
Pre-Trial Release	7	10	14	12	11	10	9	12	19	15	11	11	10
Leandra's Law													
Conditional Discharge	38/16	39/15	36/14	35/12	28/9	28/8	26/8	25/7	23/8	23/6	22/7	25/6	27/8
Probation	31/3	30/3	28/3	29/3	28/2	29/2	26/2	27/2	27/2	26/1	26/1	25/1	26/1
payment plan cases	4/2	4/2	2/1	3/1	1/0	2/0	1/0	2/0	3/1	3/1	3/1	3/1	4/2
waiver cases	6/2	6/2	5/2	5/1	5/1	6/1	5/1	5/1	6/1	5/0	5/1	3/1	4/1

## **EMERGENCY SERVICES: Diane Caves & Ryan Bailey**

### OEM & Fire

Diane reviewed the meetings and trainings attended, highlighting: 4 County Meetings, 2 County Fire Meetings, Lake District Tioga County, Apparatus Operator pump, Refresher training-Rope Rescue, Refresher training-Pump-Middlesex FD, Refresher training-Firefighter skills, Refresher training-Firefighter skills.

Diane provided an update on general operations:

- Communications call's & meetings continued
- Highway/OES/Public Health building project meetings
- Gas line meeting with County & Town of Benton residents
- NYSEMA conference call
- HAZMAT meeting 4 counties
- Met with Camp Corey on safety procedures
- Met with NYSEG for blue sky meeting
- Migrant/Asylum group meeting

### EMS

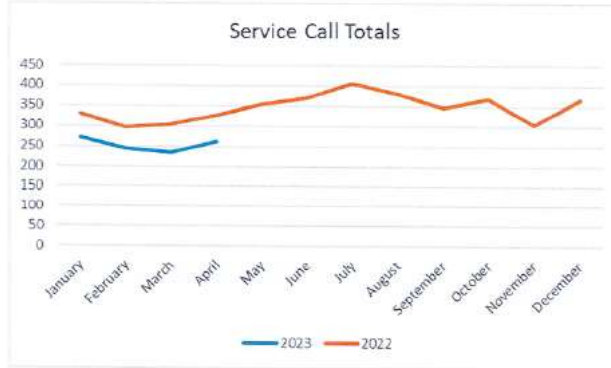
Ryan provided an update on general operations:

- EMS Students are testing
- CPR class taught in Benton, more to be scheduled
- Planning summer training/Fall EMS classes
- Working on draft updates of EMS Mutual Aid and MCI plans

Ryan reviewed the Monthly Call Report, Dropped Call Report, and the Delayed Response Report for April:

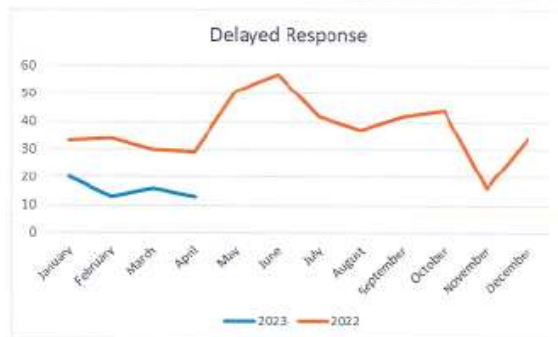
### Monthly Call Totals

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Total
2023	273	245	235	263									1016
2022	331	296	304	326	355	371	406	381	346	369	305	367	4157



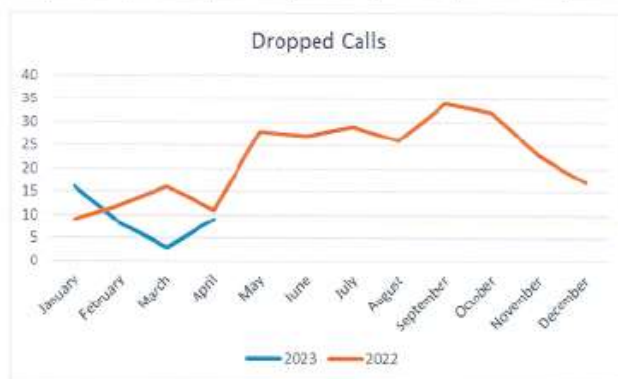
### Delayed Response Report

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Total
Barrington	0	3	0	3									6
Benton	3	0	0	0									3
Italy	0	0	0	0									0
Jerusalem	0	1	0	0									1
Middlesex	1	1	1	1									4
Milo	0	0	0	0									0
Potter	0	1	0	0									1
Starkey	3	2	3	3									11
Torrey	0	0	0	0									0
Dresden	0	0	0	0									0
Dundee	8	5	12	4									29
Penn Yan	3	0	0	0									3
Flushville	2	0	0	2									4
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>13</b>									<b>62</b>
2022 Totals	33	34	30	29									126



### Dropped Call Report

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Total
Barrington	1	0	0	0									1
Benton	2	0	0	0									2
Italy	6	0	0	1									7
Jerusalem	0	0	0	0									0
Middlesex	2	1	0	0									3
Milo	0	0	0	0									0
Potter	0	1	1	2									4
Starkey	0	2	0	1									3
Torrey	0	0	0	0									0
Dresden	0	0	0	0									0
Dundee	3	1	2	5									11
Penn Yan	1	0	0	0									1
Rushville	1	3	0	0									4
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>9</b>									<b>36</b>
<b>2022 Totals</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>11</b>									<b>48</b>



### **SHERIFF: Ron Spike**

Ron reported that they continue to have jail repair issues since 5/8. They are still using Main Street Laundromat as Buildings & Grounds awaits their commercial washing machine part.

The consensus from the Committee was to go ahead with the Huebsch washer at \$13,847 from Empire Machinery and for a resolution to be brought forward approving it.

Ron reviewed the following resolutions that would be needed. After discussion the Committee approved.

- Authorize Chairperson and Sheriff to sign Tompkins and Oswego County Jail contracts
- Authorize Sheriff to Purchase Security Camera Required by NYS
- Authorize Sheriff and Chairperson to sign Amendment for Jail Telephone Services
- Authorize Sheriff to Rent Communications Equipment Temporary Storage

Ron reviewed the general monthly statics for April 2023. Highlights to follow:

Ron reported that there are currently 29 Yates County inmates, 6 Feds, 4 from Seneca County, 1 from Oswego County, 1 from Ontario County, totaling 42. There are 33 males and 9 females and the youngest age 20 and the oldest age 60. The dormitory is open.

Ron reported that they had two Full Time Corrections Officers and 1 Part Time Correction Officer leave for other employment, no vacancy review required.

Ron reviewed the appropriations report, the total for boarding was \$32,515.00, the total for transportation was \$405.76, and the total revenue as of April 2023 was \$132,504.66. Their target

for the year is \$250,000 and they need to raise \$117,495.34 more, if they continue at this rate, they will exceed the target.

Ron reported that as of 5/28 Jail Cook Manager Nelson was made permanent as the result of the Civil Service test, as of 6/6 Part Time Correction Officer Riek will be Full Time Correction Officer, as of 6/8 there was a lateral transfer of Correction Officer Storie from Ontario County to Yates County for a permanent appointment, and as of 6/11 A. Cronk will be appointed to Jail Food Service Helper.

Ron reviewed the NYS Commissions of Corrections jail report evaluation follow-up for inspection.

Ron reviewed the NYS Commissions of Corrections for their April assessment of juvenile procedures/response. They updated Policy CB-04-07-08, below, and they await response.

**Policy and Procedure**

**Findings:** Commission staff reviewed facility policy for the handling and processing of juveniles and noted that the policy does not address certain required information.

**Actions Required:** The facility shall revise policies and procedures to include the following:

1. Update definitions of Adolescent Offender, Juvenile Offender, and Juvenile Delinquent.
2. Reference to the requirements as outlined in 9 NYCRR 180-1.16. Jail placement for any youth admitted to the facility.
3. Process to obtain copies of determinations as a result of an interest of justice hearing.
4. Process to train staff who will be responsible for supervising youth.
5. Update reporting requirements of SCOC to include the submission of a Record of Juvenile Detention via the [eJusticeNY](#) integrated justice portal.

Please provide to the Commission copies of the policies that are revised by May 19, 2023

Please see attached updated Policy CB-04-07-08 to address all of your concerns.

Ron reported that security upgrades to fobs/readers are expected soon, as well some cameras.

Ron reported that there was a felony arrest on 5/2 of Craig Minter, age 54, from Farmington for Grand Larceny 3<sup>rd</sup>. It was a major case of theft of crypto currency computers from Greenidge Generation and the case continues with US Secret Service involved. Staff arrested Jeff Ellis, age 33, from the town of Jerusalem, for Felony ID theft and Grand Larceny. Staff Felony arrested, Miranda Elwell, from the Village of Dundee, for Burglary 2nd, Grand Larceny. Staff arrested Jessica Archer, of Bloomfield, for Felony False Instrument in public assistance fraud case.

Ron reported that the 2023-242 GTSC grant for CPSS and PTS/BUNY overtime funding has been submitted.

Ron reported that sheriff and MPU staff attended the KLA Navigation Committee meeting on 5/4 and he attended the town of Benton Board meeting on 5/10.

Ron reported that all dispatchers have received training on Threat Management calls from Squad Nine on grant and provided training for Keuka College Staff and County Office Building leadership training in May.

Ron reported that American Tower have been given notice that they have decommissioned the site and end lease.

Ron reported that the VIP was held 5/10, there were 15 in attendance with ADA Stutzman and Michelle Curtin, as speakers.

Ron reported that he gave the Police Memorial keynote at Schuyler County on 5/15, Deputy Jensen gave the K9 memorial, and Ron gave the Memorial Day keynote at the town of Torrey on 5/29.

Ron reported that the Sheriffs National Conference is the week of 6/25 in Grand Rapids, MI.

Ron provided the following brochure:

### Vessels Other Than PWCs

**All Vessels:**

All vessels (including rowboats, canoes, kayaks, & sailboats: A PFD (personal flotation device) must be available for each person on board. Persons under 12 years of age must wear the PFD. PFDs must be USCG approved and of the appropriate size. Vessels 16 ft or greater must also carry (2) throwable type IV PFD.


No person shall operate a vessel for towing a person (skiing, tubing, etc.) (1) without an observer, 16 years of age or older, (2) from sunset to sunrise, and (3) the person being towed wearing a securely fastened, USCG approved PFD.

**The following is illegal and prohibited:**

- Bow riding
- Overloading (having more persons than the capacity plate allows)
- Operating at night or in periods of restricted visibility without having all required navigational lights on and operating properly

### Boating While Intoxicated (BWI)

- It is illegal to operate any vessel while impaired or intoxicated by the use of drugs or alcohol.
- Zero Tolerance (Alcohol Use Under the Age of 21) is strictly enforced.
- BAC of .08 and higher is considered legally intoxicated.




### Age Requirements:

- All persons **ages 10-18** must have a valid boaters safety certificate to operate a vessel (motor boat)
- All persons **14 and older** must have a valid boaters safety certificate to operate a PWC.


Yates County office of the Sheriff

227 Main Street  
Penn Yan, NY 14527  
345-536-4438 (non-emergency)  
**Dial 911 for emergencies**

For local boating safety course dates and locations, please visit the Yates County Sheriff Office website:  
[www.yatescountysheriff.org](http://www.yatescountysheriff.org)



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## General Boating Information

For  
**Yates County**

Ronald G. Spike  
Sheriff

Howard R. Davis  
Undersheriff

<p align="center"><b>Personal Watercraft (PWC)</b></p>	<p align="center"><b>General Speed Information</b></p>	<p align="center"><b>Vessel Requirements</b> 16- 26 feet</p>
<p>All operators of a PWC must have each of the following at all times:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Valid NYS Boaters Safety Certificate (minimum age: 14) (USCG or other official law enforcement agency issued)</li> <li>Registration for the PWC</li> <li>Engine cut-off lanyard must be attached to operator's person or PFD</li> <li>A properly fitting USCG approved PFD worn by all passengers on board</li> <li>A sound producing device (whistle)</li> <li>A 1ft by 3ft orange distress flag</li> <li>Backfire flame arrester</li> <li>A type B approved fire extinguisher required on board on federal water</li> </ul>	<p><b>Keuka and Canandaigua Lakes:</b> When operating within 200 feet of the following: shore, dock, pier, raft, float, and anchored/moored vessel, the speed limit is <b>5 mph</b>.</p> <p align="center">🚨 <b>Day time speed limit: 45 mph</b> 🚨 🚨 <b>Night time speed limit: 25 mph</b> 🚨</p> <p><b>Seneca Lake:</b> When operating within 100 feet of the following: shore, dock, pier, raft, float, and anchored/moored vessel, the speed limit is <b>5 mph</b>.</p> <p align="center">🚨 <b>No maximum speed limit on Seneca Lake (Federal water)</b> 🚨</p> <p align="center">🚨 <b>Please Note:</b> Only Law Enforcement Marine Vessels are permitted to utilize blue lighting.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PFDs (USCG Approved)—1 per person</li> <li>Fire extinguisher</li> <li>Visual Distress Signals <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Orange flag (3 ft by 3 ft): Day time</li> <li>Flares (3): Night Time</li> </ul> </li> <li>1- Type IV throwable</li> <li>Anchor and Line</li> <li>Horn, bell, or whistle</li> <li>Navigation Lights (bow and stern)</li> <li>Registration on board when operating</li> </ul> <p><b>Registration Requirements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All motorized vessels must be registered</li> <li>Registration numbers and validation sticker must be displayed on both sides of the hull (example: NY 1234 55)</li> </ul>
<p align="center">PWCs may not be operated between sunset and sunrise, and periods of restricted visibility</p>	<p align="center"><b>Reckless Operation:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Weaving through congested traffic</li> <li>Jumping the wake of another vessel</li> <li>Swerving at the last possible moment to avoid collision</li> <li>All vessels must stay 100 feet from "diver down" flags</li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>Registration Requirements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All motorized vessels must be registered</li> <li>Registration numbers and validation sticker must be displayed on both sides of the hull (example: NY 1234 55)</li> </ul>
<p>The PWC must be at least a 3 seater to participate in towing of persons (i.e. skiing, tubing, etc.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A PWC may not operate within 500 feet of a designated swim area</li> <li>PWCs are classified as an inboard motor boat under 16 feet and are obligated by the same rules and regulations as other motor boats.</li> </ul>		<p align="center"><b>Vessel Theft:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lock up your valuables and don't give criminals the opportunity to take them</li> <li>Place a descriptor on your belongings</li> <li>Contact the YC Sheriff Department to report missing or stolen property</li> </ul> 

**COMMUNICATIONS PROJECT: Doug Paddock**

Doug reviewed the following resolution that would be needed. After discussion the Committee approved.

- Declare as Surplus Property Legacy Public Safety Communications Towers, Microwave and Land Mobile Radio Equipment and Authorize Sheriff to Dispose of Same

Doug reported that the new microwave (MW) and land mobile radio (LMR) systems were successfully commissioned and became operational on 5/24.

Doug provided an update on the Microwave (MW) System, highlighting MNI's (Microwave Networks, Inc.) project manager was in Yates County during the week of 5/22 to provide guidance and assistance during the system conversion and weekly coordination meetings with Motorola continue, but they will decrease in frequency as the system operates.

Doug provided an update on the Land Mobile Radio (LMR) System, highlighting that Motorola's project manager and several technical support personnel were in Yates County during the week of 5/22 to provide guidance and assistance during the system conversion and weekly coordination meetings with MNI continue, but will decrease in frequency as the system operates.

Doug reviewed the updates for the Bluff Point, Dundee, Italy Hill, Ovid, and South Hill Towers:

- Construction punch lists have been completed at all sites except Dundee and Italy Hill.
- Construction dress-out is complete at most sites and will occur at remaining sites by the end of June
- Legacy Angus – A resolution declaring the legacy tower as surplus is included

- Legacy Dundee – Legacy shelter, antennas and equipment removal will occur before lease expiration on 6/15
- Legacy Italy Hill – Legacy shelter was removed from leased tower site and transported to the Guyanoga Highway site, antennas and related equipment scheduled for removal 5/30
- Legacy Public Safety Building – A resolution declaring the legacy tower as surplus is included
- Legacy Sherman – A resolution declaring the legacy tower as surplus is included
- South Hill – Law enforcement antenna will need to be relocated to top of tower extension (30 feet)

Doug reported that power plants have been received for all sites and installed, two inverters have been received and the remaining two are due 6/2, and batteries are scheduled to ship 7/18.

Doug reported that in regards to dispatch, the Max D (CAD) software upgrade to all 6 consoles at the PSAP was completed 5/31, the Sheriff has requested quotes to make the outdated Zetron desk radio at Court Security work on new system, only one console operational at the back-up site presently as had to use a component part from one to get all PSAP consoles operational, and they anticipate part installation on 6/7.

Doug reviewed the following activities planned for June:

- Complete dress-out at tower sites
- Remove legacy antennas and related equipment from towers
- Notify legacy Angus tower lessor of lease termination
- Remove legacy towers at Angus, PSB and Sherman Hollow
- Install remaining inverters
- Conduct coverage acceptance testing; currently scheduled to begin 6/25
- Address any shortfalls discovered

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR: Nonie Flynn**

- Nothing submitted

Meeting adjourned at 2:39 p.m.

Mr. Morris moved to enter into Government Operations executive session on the basis of:

1. The employment history of a particular individual, attendees being members of the Government Operations Committee, other legislators present, the County Administrator, the temporary County Administrative assistant, and the Personnel Director who is not available;

Seconded by Mr. Harper.

VOTE: Unanimous

Meeting adjourned at 3:01 p.m.