

## **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE AGENDA**

**Date: August 2, 2022**

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

Others present: Bill Holgate, Dick Harper, Terry Button, Leslie Church, Carlie Chilson, Mark Morris, Ed Bronson, Jesse Jayne (Zoom), Nonie Flynn, Emilee Miller, Todd Casella, Mackenzie Stutzman, Sharon Dawes, Brian Winslow, Ryan Bailey, Ron Spike

Patrick Killen chaired the meeting.

Pat & Tim will do the audit this month

Minutes of the July meeting were approved as presented.

### **DISTRICT ATTORNEY: Todd Casella & Mackenzie Stutzman**

Todd reviewed the Monthly Statistics.

Todd reported that Lisa Torbitt has joined their office as the Confidential Secretary to the DA.

Todd reported that Law Enforcement is mandated to file a Temporary Extreme Risk Protective Order immediately upon making any mental health arrest. This results in the removal of all firearms from person, the Court must hear the matter in 3-6 business days, and results in a one-year order prohibiting the possession, purchase, or attempt to purchase any firearms. It is unclear who will prosecute these, but it will most likely be the DA's office. There are approximately 200 mental health arrests per year in Yates County.

Todd reported that the jury trial People v. Thor Baker is ongoing.

### **PROBATION: Sharon Dawes**

Sharon reviewed the following Monthly Statistics for July 2022:

YATES CO. PROBATION	Jul-21	Aug-21	Sep-21	Oct-21	Nov-21	Dec-21	Jan-22	Feb-22	Mar-22	Apr-22	May-22	Jun-22	Jul-22
Probationers	196	198	199	193	192	195	191	193	188	189	190	184	179
Investigations monthly	7	25	6	11	14	11	11	7	12	15	13	10	7
investigations year to date	117	142	148	159	173	184	11	18	30	45	58	68	75
Violation of Probation	1	3	2	2	11	2	3	3	2	2	2	6	4
VOP year to date	20	23	25	27	38	40	3	6	8	10	12	18	22
Pre-Trial Release	8	14	10	11	11	10	11	9	8	10	7	10	14
Leandra's Law													
Conditional Discharge	29/11	32/11	35/11	33/8	35/10	35/10	39/12	41/13	39/16	38/16	38/16	39/15	36/14
Probation	31/3	34/4	33/4	33/3	31/3	32/4	31/4	29/4	29/4	30/3	31/3	30/3	28/3
waiver cases	5/1	5/1	5/1	5/1	6/1	6/1	7/1	7/1	5/2	6/2	6/2	6/2	5/2
payment plan cases	2/1	2/1	2/1	2/1	3/1	3/1	4/2	4/2	4/2	4/2	4/2	4/2	2/1

Sharon reviewed the Alternatives to Incarceration Report and provided the following summary:

Ten individuals were supervised by the Pre-trial Release program at the end of the quarter. Seven individuals had their PTR case closed during this quarter. There was one individual that had their PTR revoked and was remanded into the custody of the Yates County Jail. One individual successfully completed their term of PTR and was sentenced to one year of interim probation. Two individuals were continued on Probation on a Violation of Probation matter. Three individuals successfully completed their term of PTR and were ordered to pay fines to the court.

Sharon reported that six people successfully completed their community service obligation this quarter. There were 27 active community service cases as of June 30, 2022.

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

- Authorize Chairwoman to Sign Contract with BI, Incorporated

### **EMERGENCY SERVICES: Brian Winslow**

OEM & Fire

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

- Authorize Director of Emergency Services to Create and Fill Deputy Director of Emergency Services Position

Brian reviewed the meetings and trainings attended.

Brian reported that their office had three trailers; a rehab trailer, an EMS trailer, and an additional trailer. He plans to get rid of the three trailers and get one good trailer. The trailers don't get used all that often, are getting old, and they got a good deal on a new one. Brian reported that they transferred the old EMS Tahoe to the jail for them to use as a transport vehicle.

Brian reported that there was a barn fire on Fitch Rd. that they responded to with mutual aid to the Rushville Fire Department and that they responded with spill response & mutual aid to the Himrod Fire Department for the train derailment in the Town of Milo.

## EMS

Brian reported that Ryan is working on getting a basic EMT refresher going with Keuka College and the College has been very receptive. They are running into issues matching up the College kid's schedules with the instructor schedules.

Brian brought up some of the incidents that first responders have been dealing. There was a car accident out on 54 where the subject pulled a box cutter on the firefighters and the EMS people that were tending to them. There was the incident down in Schuyler County last month, where the subject pulled a shot gun on Yates County Firefighters, Dundee Firefighters. It is a scary time and he thinks it's very important for everybody to understand that it's not just the police, it is the fire and the EMS people that are going into the scenes and have the potential to have harm done to them.

The Committee discussed the recent power outages in and around the Village of Dundee and Town of Starkey. Reaching out to NYSEG seems to be the best course of action.

## **SHERIFF: Ron Spike**

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

- Authorize 2022-23 MOU with Dundee school for SRO services

Ron reviewed the monthly agency statistics for June 2022. Highlights follow:

Accidents/Crashes-Car/Deer: 46	Accidents/Crashes-Injury: 16	Back-up an Officer: 18
Civil Problem: 25	Domestic Violence: 18	Criminal Arrests: 38
Sex Offenders in County: 101	Total Legal Papers Served: 114	Dogs Impounded: 10
Male Prisoners Admitted: 17	Female Prisoners Admitted: 7	
Central Arraignment Court Appearances (YCPSB): 26	Jail Visitors for Inmates: 218	
Jail Incident Reports: 18		

Ron reported that SWEAP has commenced, but due to staffing issues, they haven't had the officers to take them out into the field, so they have been doing work in the jail.

Ron reported that he was asked to and did respond to the State regarding the new legislation on firearms issues. He sent his remarks to the superintendent of State police and Joe Popcun, the Deputy Executive at the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS). Firearms legislation is really something that almost can't be accomplished as the law is written, based upon what the expectations are. He is really concerned about the social media background checks that they want them to do. They want a personal interview done by the licensing officer, which is the County Judge. The Judge doesn't have time to interview every applicant, and Ron suspects that will be put upon them as well. He is concerned about the training involved, he thinks that there's going to be a huge demand on it, especially the first year. They are talking about 16 hours of classroom and then two hours of proficiency on a range. What range, where,

how, and who. He thinks that this is going to fall back on their firearms instructors and if that's the case, they are going to have to give him some more deputies. They don't have time to do all these types of things, so there's a big demand on that there's a big scarcity of ammo. They have a hard time acquiring ammunition themselves and doing the qualification so there's a lot of lot of issues like that. There hasn't even been an approved course of fire established yet and a lot of the standards haven't been established yet.

The Committee discussed the County's options for pushing back against this newly enacted legislation. The consensus of the Committee is that the Chairwoman will reach out to O'Mara and Palmesano.

Ron reported that Ron reviewed the Jail Population report, there are 18 County and 13 US Marshal.

Ron reviewed the Appropriations and Revenue Report for June 2022. The Boarding Revenue is \$36,090.00 with \$23,940.00 being from the US Marshals, \$8,200.00 from New York State DOCCS, they kept someone from Ontario county for a period of time at \$1,955.00, and they kept one from Seneca county at \$1,955.00. Seneca County currently has no female corrections officers, so they kept one of their females. Ontario County does not have enough male correction officers, so they sent all their males to the Monroe county jail. Ron reported that as far as the target goes for the whole year and the budget of \$250,000, they are six months into this year and they are only \$35,926 shy of that target.

Ron reported that they are working on their jail reaccreditation, to make sure they are ready for a mock accreditation that comes up this fall.

Ron reported that when they've got a suicidal inmate they have to go to what's called automatic constant watch. That results in a one on one situation going on 24 hours a day. Then Finger Lakes Health says, they can't have a psychiatric person there to take a look at this individual for nine days, a lot of that constant watch is on overtime. Chief CO was able to get it down to seven days, but still it's not reasonable. If they said it's going to take 72 hours that is understandable, but it is not. It puts a burden not only on their staffing manpower, but it puts a burden on their budgets.

Ron reported that they have finally been able to fulfill their obligation to provide more security services in the County Office Building. It will not always be the same officer, they will rotate.

Ron reported that they have the New York State Commission of corrections coming later this month to inspect lock ups.

Ron reported that they submitted their budget request in a timely manner.

Ron reported that they had units at the Yates County fair.

Ron reported that the other thing about psych services is that whenever they hire a law enforcement officer or a peace or police officer, then they have to go through a psychological testing as a part of the process. They have changed providers to a different company that does quality work. He is saving \$100 on each individual.

Ron reported that the open house for the Alternative PSAP was July 11<sup>th</sup>. He thanked the six Legislators and the County Administrator for coming.

Ron reported that he tried to get a targeted state and operable communications grant back in 2018 and then he tried again last year and it that's still pending, but they contacted him and sent him a questionnaire. They wanted all kinds of specific questions answered about the proposal and, of course, the proposal that I had done was their complete communications upgrade package. Ron was asking for like \$3 million, but he answered all the additional questions and submitted that timely back to them. They thanked him for the clarification and said to stay tuned.

Ron reported that they have a victim impact panel scheduled for September 21<sup>st</sup> and Marianne Angelillo will be their speaker.

Ron reported that the morgue at Soldiers & Sailors Hospital is closed and that they have to travel to Geneva General for autopsies.

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR: Nonie Flynn**

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

- Authorize County Administrator to Create and Fill Director of Emergency Services Position.

**COMMUNICATIONS PROJECT: Doug Paddock**

Doug reported that the building permits have been issued for all sites in Yates County. They are waiting for the one for Ovid. Doug thanked Ryan Bailey for being very thorough, very timely, and putting the building permits together.

Doug reported that the Microwave and the Land Mobile Radio systems folks are working together.

Doug reported that Cayuga County is looking at the draft lease they have for the monopole for the public safety building. He just saw an email this morning that it is going to be delivered the 29<sup>th</sup>. He thinks that it is going to be ready by the 15<sup>th</sup>. They are supposed to have it September 1<sup>st</sup> and they want them to try to find a place to park it on their property.

Doug reported that they have roads and foundations in Italy and Dundee. Doug reported that they have a list of things that are anticipated to occur in August and then shelters and generators are coming in late September early October. C & S followed up and has been assured that the shelters and the generators will be on time, or even a little bit early.

Mrs. Percy moved to enter executive session to discuss:

1. The proposed acquisition, sale, or lease of real property, attendees being members of the Committee, other Legislators present, the County Administrator, the Sheriff, and the Director of Emergency Services.

Seconded by Dr. Cutler.

VOTE: Unanimous

Meeting adjourned at 2:58 p.m.

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