

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
September 6, 2022

Committee members: Rick Willson, Patrick Killen (left at 2:09 p.m.), Bonnie Percy, Tim Cutler, Doug Paddock

Others present: Bill Holgate, Terry Button, Dick Harper, Dan Banach, Carlie Chilson, Mark Morris, Ed Bronson, Leslie Church, Nonie Flynn, Emilee Miller, Todd Casella, Sharon Dawes, Brian Winslow, Ryan Bailey, Ron Spike

Rick & Doug will do the audit this month.

August meeting minutes were approved as presented.

COMMUNICATIONS PROJECT: Doug Paddock

Doug reported that the building permit application for the Ovid site has been prepared by C & S and submitted to Seneca County.

Doug reported that Microwave Networks, Inc. (MNI) and C & S continue to evaluate alternatives for South Hill/Shay Road spur and they may require a tower height increase at South Hill.

Doug reported that regarding the Land Mobile Radio (LMR) System, Motorola, C & S and the Sheriff met virtually on August 29th. They confirmed the power and breaker requirements for the battery backup. Semi-monthly progress meetings are now being scheduled.

Doug reported that the foundation for the monopole tower has been installed at the Public Safety Building. The tower was delivered and erected on September 1st.

Doug reported that the tower foundation and propane tank pads have been poured and the tanks have been relocated at Sherman Hill. Tower assembly is in process.

Doug reported that the Dundee tower assembly is in process. NYSEG has evaluated an alternate path to supply power to the new Dundee/Bill Bailey Road tower site and they are preparing a design. The easements and compensation have been verbally acknowledged with affected landowners and agreements have been prepared. Doug reported that they are awaiting NYSEG's design for inclusion with the agreements. NYSEG, Kaplan-Schmidt and C & S are investigating alternative electrical equipment to meet schedule. Doug reported that the tower foundations at Bluff Point may need to be modified and the soil investigation was completed August 29th. They are investigating cooperation with Steuben County for colocation of antennas to improve LMR reception for Steuben's units.

Doug reported that Cayuga County is reviewing the draft lease for space on Cayuga's communications site in Ovid and they may act on Yates County's request in September. The tower will require some minor modifications to retain its structural capabilities.

Doug reported that during September, the following construction activities are planned: Completing the assembly and erecting the tower at Sherman Hill, completing the assembly and erecting the tower at Dundee, and possibly assembling and erecting the tower at Italy Hill.

Doug reported that the shelters and generators are due late September/early October. They are working with the supplier to improve delivery dates.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY: Todd Casella

Todd reviewed the monthly statistics.

PROBATION: Sharon Dawes

Sharon reported that she sent a letter to the Governor concerning the lack of detention beds in New York State.

Sharon reviewed the following monthly statistics:

| YATES CO. PROBATION | Aug-21 | Sep-21 | Oct-21 | Nov-21 | Dec-21 | Jan-22 | Feb-22 | Mar-22 | Apr-22 | May-22 | Jun-22 | Jul-22 | Aug-22 |
|-----------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Probationers | 198 | 199 | 193 | 192 | 195 | 191 | 193 | 188 | 189 | 190 | 184 | 179 | 178 |
| Investigations monthly | 25 | 6 | 11 | 14 | 11 | 11 | 7 | 12 | 15 | 13 | 10 | 7 | 16 |
| investigations year to date | 142 | 148 | 159 | 173 | 184 | 11 | 18 | 30 | 45 | 58 | 68 | 75 | 91 |
| Violation of Probation | 3 | 2 | 2 | 11 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 6 | 4 | 2 |
| VOP year to date | 23 | 25 | 27 | 38 | 40 | 3 | 6 | 8 | 10 | 12 | 18 | 22 | 24 |
| Pre-Trial Release | 14 | 10 | 11 | 11 | 10 | 11 | 9 | 8 | 10 | 7 | 10 | 14 | 12 |
| Leandra's Law | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Conditional Discharge | 32/11 | 35/11 | 33/8 | 35/10 | 35/10 | 39/12 | 41/13 | 39/16 | 38/16 | 38/16 | 39/15 | 36/14 | 35/12 |
| Probation | 34/4 | 33/4 | 33/3 | 31/3 | 32/4 | 31/4 | 29/4 | 29/4 | 30/3 | 31/3 | 30/3 | 28/3 | 29/3 |
| waiver cases | 5/1 | 5/1 | 5/1 | 6/1 | 6/1 | 7/1 | 7/1 | 5/2 | 6/2 | 6/2 | 6/2 | 5/2 | 5/1 |
| payment plan cases | 2/1 | 2/1 | 2/1 | 3/1 | 3/1 | 4/2 | 4/2 | 4/2 | 4/2 | 4/2 | 4/2 | 2/1 | 3/1 |

EMERGENCY SERVICES: Brian Winslow

OEM & Fire

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

- Authorize Chairwoman to Sign Letter of Commitment for Hazard Mitigation Plan Update Grant

Brian reviewed the meetings and trainings attended.

Brian reported that he contacted their FEMA representative about Lower West Lake Road and there is no mitigation money.

Brian reviewed the responses attended highlighting the following: Storm emergencies with several Fire Departments, capsized boat with people in the water 600 block E. Lake Rd. Penn Yan Fire Department, house fire Walnut St. Penn Yan Fire Department with mutual aid, PIMVA with entrapment Loomis Rd. Rushville/Middlesex Fire Department with a helicopter, drowning at Canandaigua Lake assisting Ontario County Fire & Sheriffs, several boats overturned at Camp Corey with people in the water, PIMVA with entrapment Norris Rd. Himrod Fire Department with a helicopter, water skiing accident 400 Block E. Lake Rd. Keuka Lake Penn Yan Fire Department with a helicopter, and a second incident with several overturned sailboats at Camp Corey.

EMS

Brian reported that the EMT-Basic/Refresher will start in Keuka Park on September 8, 2022, they are organizing the Fall/Winter CFR Original at Bellona Fire Department, they completed ICS 400 in Livingston County and they are finalizing the EAP program for 4 participating departments.

SHERIFF: Ron Spike

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

- Recognition of Sheriff's Week
- Authorize Chairman and Coordinator to sign 2023 STOP-DWI plan for GTSC
- Amend Resolution No. 325-21 (Regarding Temporary Correction Officer)
- Set Date for Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law 7-22 Entitled A Local Law Establishing Residency Requirements for Yates County Deputy Sheriff

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

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| Accidents/Crashes-Car/Deer: 23 | Accidents/Crashes-Property Damage: 25 | |
| Domestic Violence: 30 | Navigation Related: 103 | Order of Protection: 52 |
| Suspicious Incident: 26 | DWI Arrests: 5* | Animal Cremation: 17** |
| Courthouse Visitors: 1,551 | Court Cases: 107 | Total Phone Calls: n/a*** |

*Report says 520, but the actual number is 5.

**Report says 17 because they wait to take the deceased animals when they have a larger quantity.

***Report says n/a because they had an issue with the program that totals them. The Sheriff will fill in the correct number next month.

Ron reported that there are 32 in the jail from Yates County and 8 Feds for a total of 40. There are 34 males and 6 females in the jail.

Ron reported that for July they have brought in \$38,384.55 in revenue. They are now exceeding the budget of \$250,000.00 by \$2,457.90 and they still have 5 months to go.

The pod is still closed, Ron reported that they get close to needing to open it once in a while, but it's still closed.

Ron reported that they are still having challenges finding psychiatric services for people in jail and as a result, they have to go on constant watch. The last one they had was a little over two weeks ago and Soldiers and Sailors was very quick to have a response on the psychiatric services. It takes two doctors to put someone in the State Office of Mental Hygiene. They have had somebody on constant watch for over two weeks, which is overtime, an extra post on every shift 24/7 because, New York State has no beds available. They are on a waiting list, and so they suspect sometime this week it finally might get to them. They will either go to Rochester Psych Center or they will go to the Marcy Hospital up near Utica. The state does not cover the costs of anything when it comes to this. From a financial standpoint, it probably cost in the county less to have somebody on 24/7 overtime, because it's a little over a thousand dollars a day to put somebody into one of these units. However, when they are stretched for manpower at times,

they have to mandate overtime in order to fulfill the constant watch or the individual's going to commit suicide when they're in their custody, and they can't have that.

Ron reported that the emergency orders that the DA was talking about, tend to fall upon the Sheriff's Department to be the one that does the service. They have to go out and takes guns, and he thinks that they have done three or four of them so far. One case that they were concerned, they ended up with three deputies involved. He just hopes one of his people do not get shot when they go out to take guns away from people. They have got to be tactically prepared as to what they are doing, but it is what it is.

Ron reviewed the Memo regarding the new firearm regulations. He redid the entire procedure for the Court and the Clerk's Office. They were inundated with applications, 30-40, from people trying to fill them ahead of the deadline. He tried to get as many as he could done. The applications that a subject to the new law have started coming in and it is a much more detailed procedure. It is a 4 page instruction form and there are additional steps that have to be done. Ron was approached by an individual for businesses that wanted to put signs up regarding if the customers can carry or not in their business, but he and Noni are concerned it might get political if tax payers money is used to purchase "concealed carry authorized" signs. However, some NYS counties are funding such signs.

Ron reported that he gave the opening remarks and a welcome speech at the graduation over at the CMAC on August 29th and that that was well received.

Ron reported that their underwater dive team and their marine patrol assisted the Penn Yan municipal. The dive team dove on the incoming lines for the water intake lines and checked the filters that check the intakes for them from a diving standpoint, and then they also pulled the lake level meter for them, so that that could be recalibrated down there off the water treatment plant. Ah, because a lot of people think that the locks is where the measurement is taken. That's that reciprocity agreement, they allow us to keep the patrol boat in a in a slip there at the water treatment plant, and then in turn, they do some diving for them.

Ron reported that they were able to hire another dispatcher. They'll be in training soon, and they have another one that's going through the background process right now, and everything looks positive. It used to take three months to train somebody, it takes five months now, with everything that goes on.

The Committee and Ron discussed the awareness and the attention to precautions he has brought to Mennonite buggy and bike visibility.

The Committee and Ron discussed the amount of people crossing over the border from Mexico and the impact this has had on the County and the drug over doses that resulted in death caused by fentanyl in Yates County.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR: Nonie Flynn

Nonie reported that Martin Butler, from NYSDOT, emailed her that for the Slow Moving Vehicle Safety Study, they are having a Scope of Services meeting for their consultant to do an analysis of problems and solutions for Yates County.

Meeting adjourned at 2:11 p.m.