

WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COMMITTEE: CRIMINAL JUSTICE & PUBLIC SAFETY

DATE: FEBRUARY 25, 2019

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

SUPERVISORS: LEGGETT
GERAGHTY
SIMPSON
WILD
MAGOWAN
SOKOL
HOGAN
BRAYMER
DRISCOLL
MERLINO
VACANT

OTHERS PRESENT:

MARCY FLORES, PUBLIC DEFENDER
JASON CARUSONE, DISTRICT ATTORNEY
BRIAN LAFLURE, FIRE COORDINATOR/DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF
EMERGENCY SERVICES
AMY DREXEL, EMERGENCY SERVICES COORDINATOR
BUD YORK, WARREN COUNTY SHERIFF
SHAWN LAMOUREE, UNDERSHERIFF
RONALD F. CONOVER, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD
RYAN MOORE, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
MARY E. KISSANE, COUNTY ATTORNEY
AMANDA ALLEN, CLERK OF THE BOARD
FRANK E. THOMAS, BUDGET OFFICER
SUPERVISORS FRASIER
MCDEVITT
MANON AFFINITO, DIRECTOR, VICTIM ASSISTANTS PROGRAM
ERIN BROTHERS, ASSISTANT TO THE PUBLIC DEFENDER
TAMMIE DELORENZO, ASSISTANT TO THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
DON LEHMAN, *THE POST STAR*
MOLLY GANOTES-GLEASON, LEGISLATIVE OFFICE SPECIALIST

Please note, the following contains a summarization of the, February 25, 2019 meeting of the Criminal Justice & Public Safety Committee; the meeting in its entirety can be viewed on the Warren County website using the following link: <http://www.warrencountyny.gov/gov/comm/Archive/2019/criminal/>

Mr. Leggett called the meeting of the Criminal Justice & Public Safety Committee to order at 9:31 a.m.

Motion was made by Mr. Sokol seconded by Mr. Magowan and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the previous Committee meeting, subject to correction by the Clerk of the Board.

Privilege of the floor was extended to Marcy Flores, *Public Defender*, who distributed copies of the Public Defender agenda to the Committee members; *a copy of the agenda is on file with the minutes.*

Commencing her agenda review, Ms. Flores presented the following requests:

- 1) To renew the contract with New York State Defenders Association in the amount of \$2,500 for Public Defender Case Management System for the term commencing April 13, 2019 and terminating April 12, 2020.

Motion was made by Mr. Magowan, seconded by Ms. Hogan and carried unanimously to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the March 15, 2019 Board Meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

- 2) To extend the contract with New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services for Contract C000252 Distribution #2 to allow distributions for the term of November 30, 2017 - November 30, 2018.

Motion was made by Mr. Geraghty, seconded by Mr. Merlino and carried unanimously to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the March 15, 2019 Board Meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes. Note: subsequent to the meeting it was determined the extension period was actually for December 1, 2018 - November 30, 2019 and the resolution was written accordingly.*

There being no further Public Defender business to discuss, privilege of the floor was extended to Jason Carusone, *District Attorney*, who distributed copies of the District Attorney agenda to the Committee members; *a copy of the agenda is on file with the minutes.*

Commencing his agenda review, Mr. Carusone presented a request to authorize submission of application to the New York State Office of Victims Services (NYSOVS) for a three-year grant to fund the Victims Assistance Program within the District Attorney's Office for the term commencing October 1, 2019 and terminating September 20, 2022, with an optional two-year renewal of the associated grant agreement.

Mr. Leggett inquired if the conditions were the same as last year and Mr. Carusone replied affirmatively. Mr. Leggett questioned the anticipated amount of the grant funding sought, and Mr. Carusone answered he was unsure, but noted they were awarded more than \$200,000 last year. Mr. Merlino inquired what they would do if they did not receive the funding and Mr. Carusone replied they would have to re-evaluate. He advised they were monitored by OVS through site visits, all of which they received good marks for.

Motion was made by Mr. Geraghty, seconded by Mr. Simpson and carried unanimously to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the March 15, 2019 Board Meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

There being no further District Attorney business to discuss, privilege of the floor was extended to, Brian LaFlure, *Fire Coordinator/Director of the Office of Emergency Services (OES)*, who distributed copies of the OES agenda to the Committee members; *a copy of the agenda is on file with the minutes.*

Mr. Leggett pointed out "Talk of the Town" magazine had featured an article regarding cell phone towers that mentioned Mr. LaFlure.

Commencing his agenda review, Mr. LaFlure presented the following requests:

- 1) To approve revisions to the Warren County Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan.

Amy Drexel, *Emergency Services Coordinator*, informed changes were made to Appendix D and E.

Motion was made by Mr. Simpson, seconded by Ms. Hogan and carried unanimously to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the March 15, 2019 Board Meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

- 2) To authorize out-of-State travel for Ms. Drexel to attend the National Homeland Security Conference in Phoenix Arizona on June 15-22, 2019.

Ms. Drexel advised she had been unable to obtain the lower conference rate for one night of her stay and that rate was considerable more than the others. She also mentioned the airfare required for her travel was increasing daily and, assuming the Committee was in agreement with the travel request, she requested authorization to make this purchase before the travel was formal approved by resolution to obtain the lowest possible cost.

Motion was made by Mr. Geraghty, seconded by Mr. Simpson and carried unanimously to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the March 15, 2019 Board Meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.* The Committee also authorized Ms. Drexel to proceed in purchasing her airline tickets before the March 15th Board Meeting.

- 3) To amend Resolution No. 645 of 2010, which authorized a contract for Hazmat medical testing services, to change the name of the contractor from Standard Medical Services to Mountain Medical and ratifying the actions of the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors in signing for same.

Motion was made by Mr. Sokol, seconded by Mr. Simpson and carried unanimously to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the March 15, 2019 Board Meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

Ms. Braymer entered the meeting at 9:46 a.m. and Mr. Wild entered at 9:47 a.m.

Concluding his review, Mr. LaFlure provided a recap of the previous months travel, as listed in the OES agenda.

Mr. Leggett inquired as to the status of the OES's plan for the use of drones and Mr. LaFlure replied he had mirrored another county's plan and was making minor revisions. He indicated there were many drone pilots in Warren County and he was getting his licence, as well. He mentioned the drone he was interested in using for the OES had thermal imaging capabilities. In response to an inquiry from Mr. Magowan, Ms. Drexel provided an update on the ice jam situation, advising the jam she was monitoring had opened each warm day and had re-frozen at night. Returning to the drone topic, a discussion ensued with regard to drone use and regulations.

There being no further OES business to discuss, privilege of the floor was extended to Shawn Lamouree, Undersheriff, who distributed copies of the Sheriff agenda to the Committee members; *a copy of the agenda is on file with the minutes.*

Commencing his agenda review, Undersheriff Lamouree presented the following requests:

- A) To authorize a new contract with Tyler Technologies at an annual cost not to exceed \$60,177.52 to provide maintenance and support of Tyler CAD and LERMS software for a term commencing January 1, 2019 and terminating December 31, 2019, with the option to renew for one additional one-year term at a 4% increase, at a total not to exceed \$62,584.62 for contract year two.

Motion was made by Mr. Simpson, seconded by Mr. Sokol and carried unanimously to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the March 15, 2019 Board Meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

- B) To amend the County Budget in the amount of \$522,261 to reflect receipt of grant funding from the 2018 Statewide Interoperability program.

Motion was made by Mr. Geraghty, seconded by Mr. Magowan and carried unanimously to approve the request to amend the 2019 County Budget as outlined above and refer same to the Finance Committee. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

- C) To authorize a new contract with OCV, LLC./TheSheriffApp.com to build and maintain a public safety application for IOS and Android devices for the Sheriff's Office at a cost not to exceed \$14,540 for a term commencing upon signing of the contract and allowing for automatic renewals upon with the same terms and conditions.

Ms. Braymer inquired if the City of Glens Falls would have access to the information provided by the application and Undersheriff Lamouree replied the application could be downloaded on a smart phone and would provide efficiency to departments with information regarding most wanted, sex offenders, warrants, push notifications, inmate search, press releases and the ability to upload tips. Ms. Braymer inquired if the application had the ability to call 911 and Undersheriff Lamouree replied in the negative. Ms. Hogan said she thought this was a great idea, but commented the application was only as good as the broadband and cellular coverage which was not good in some areas of the County. Mr. Driscoll asked how to market the application to tourists and Undersheriff Lamouree replied it would be put on the website and their Facebook page. Mr. Merlino added it could be put on all of the Tourism Department's publications.

Motion was made by Mr. Sokol, seconded by Mr. Merlino and carried unanimously to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the March 15, 2019 Board Meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

- D) To fill the vacant position of Patrol Officer #34, *Annual Salary \$40,390*, due to promotion; and
E) To fill the vacant position of Investigator #1, *Annual Salary \$69,456*, due to retirement.

Motion was made by Mr. Geraghty, seconded by Mr. Magowan and carried unanimously to approve the requests as outlined above and refer same to the Personnel & Higher Education Committee for reporting purposes. *Copies of the Notice of Intent to Fill Vacant Position forms are on file with the minutes.*

- F) For a transfer of funds in the amount of \$6,795 from the Contingent Account to pay for an update to the Crash Data Retrieval software and hardware for the Traffic Safety Unit.

A discussion ensued with regard to the need for the crash data retrieval software during which Undersheriff Lamouree explained how this information was used in vehicle accident reconstruction investigations, as well as whether the hardware could be shared with a neighboring county.

Motion was made by Mr. Magowan, seconded by Mr. Geraghty and carried unanimously to approve the request for a transfer of funds as outlined above and refer same to the Finance Committee. *A copy of the Request for Transfer of Funds form is on file with the minutes.*

Concluding the agenda review, Undersheriff Lamouree addressed the Topics for Discussion portion of the agenda, informing there were currently nine Correction Officer vacancies and one Correction Sergeant vacancy.

Privilege of the floor was extended to Bud York, *Sheriff*, who read aloud two letters received from two inmates in the Warren County Jail reflecting respect for the authority at the facility. He noted the Warren County Jail had been transformed from “camp cupcake”, as it was previously known, to a tough facility with strict discipline, making it a place that people did not want to go.

As there was no further business to come before the Criminal Justice & Public Safety Committee, on motion made by Mr. Geraghty and seconded by Mr. Magowan, Mr. Leggett adjourned the meeting at 10:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Molly Ganotes-Gleason, Legislative Office Specialist

