

Criminal Justice, Public Safety and Emergency Communications Committee

*Meeting Minutes
September 28, 2022*

PRESENT: Chairman Pete Walrod
Vice Chairman Rex Vosburg
Supervisor Loren Corbin
Supervisor Bill Zupan

ALSO: County Administrator Mark Scimone
First Assistant County Attorney Jeff Aumell
Sheriff Todd Hood
Undersheriff Bill Wilcox
Director of Administrative Services Stephen Laureti
Director of Emergency Management Dan Degear
EMS Coordinator Jenna Rosky
Director of 911 Frank McFall
Assigned Counsel Administrator David DeSantis (via Zoom)
Director of Finance Lou Anne Randall
Public Information Officer Samantha Field
Confidential Secretary to Board of Supervisors Kristin Guinto
Clerk to the Board Emily Burns
Executive Assistant to County Administrator Christine Coe (via Zoom)
Corporate Compliance Officer Christina Kennedy (via Zoom)
MORE Coordinator Rachel Copland
Town of Lincoln Supervisor Melissa During (via Zoom)

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Pete Walrod at 9:00 a.m. in the Chambers.

Minutes:

The minutes of the August 24, 2022 meeting were unanimously approved on the motion of Supervisor Bill Zupan and second of Vice Chairman Rex Vosburg.

District Attorney:

The following resolution was presented to the Committee:

Establishing the 2022 Salary for the Assistant District Attorney-DWI

No action was taken from the Committee due to it needing further review by the Government Operations Committee. The Committee requested that the resolution be amended in the fifth Whereas to take out the CJPS Committee.

Assigned Counsel:

Assigned Counsel Administrator David DeSantis presented the following resolutions to the Committee:

Authorizing the Modification of the 2022 Adopted County Budget (1173 Public Defender)

The Committee unanimously approved the resolution on the motion of Zupan and second of Vosburg.

Authorizing Participation in a State Grant and the Modification of the 2022 Adopted County Budget (1174 Public Defender)

The Committee unanimously approved the resolution on the motion of Zupan and second of Vosburg.

Assigned Counsel Administrator David DeSantis provided the following update:

- Focusing on moving to new office space. Thank you to the Committee for approving it; very excited about the move and the good things it will allow for the program.

Sheriff's Office:

Director of Administrative Services Stephen Laureti presented the following resolution to the Committee:

Authorizing the Modification of the 2022 Adopted County Budget (3110 Sheriff's Office)

The Committee unanimously approved the resolution on the motion of Vosburg and second of Zupan.

Discussion: New reconstruction equipment; current system is 20 years old.

Undersheriff Bill Wilcox presented the following resolution to the Committee:

Authorizing the Board of Supervisors to Approve the Use of Armored Vehicles

The Committee unanimously approved the resolution on the motion of Vosburg and second of Corbin.

Discussion: New guidelines for use of armored vehicles; prohibited under Federal guidelines without approval of the Board to use them for community events or drug related offenses.

County Attorney should review it to make sure we are in compliance. Approved pending the approval of County Attorney review.

Director of Administrative Services Stephen Laureti presented the following resolution to the Committee:

Authorizing the Chairman to Apply for a Grant from the NYS Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Services

The Committee unanimously approved the resolution on the motion of Walrod and second of Zupan.

Director of Administrative Services Stephen Laureti provided the following updates:

- Have a resolution going to GOC for the use of ARPA funds to cover the scanner for the jail.
- Working on a Memorandum of Understanding with a doctor at Oneida Healthcare. If we have a MOU with them, the State will give us free HCV and HIV testing kits so we can test in-house in the jail. They will also pay to send the blood to Wadsworth to confirm that it's positive. The MOU would be for them to access and treat the individual.

Sheriff Todd Hood provided the following update:

- Staffing levels in the jail are down. Lost three people within the last two weeks. State Civil Service is failing. Will go through the list fast. Want to make the Committee aware; might have to start appointing people. Undersheriff will have a meeting today to see if any

movement is available.

Emergency Management:

Emergency Management Director Dan Degear presented the following resolution to the Committee:

Approving an Update to the Operating Policies for the Madison County Emergency Medical Service Paramedic Unit

The Committee unanimously approved the resolution on the motion of Zupan and second of Vosburg.

Director of Emergency Management Dan Degear provided the following updates:

- Attended NYSAC Fall Conference last week. Public Safety Resolutions encouraging State Legislation they are working on include: allowing counties to establish EMS taxing districts, expediting the disbursement of Raise the Age funds, waiving pre-sentence investigations for plea deals resulting in less than one year sentences, urging NYS to provide funding for administration of new gun laws, urging NYS to provide funding for administration of new extreme risk orders of protection, urging NYS to provide funding to administer medication assisted treatment in correctional facilities, allowing home-rule authority to ban and/or require pre-arrival notice of sex offenders in short term rentals. New State Legislation that applies to us: new State law allows municipal snow removal vehicles to use green lights and a bill not signed by the Governor yet that provides local governments with the option to provide a property tax exemption for volunteer fire/EMS.
- Training Center parking lot is being paved from ARPA funds.
- Issues with staffing in 911. Transition to 12 hour shifts going ok. 7 out of 14 positions are open; 3 have employees in training and there are 3 open spots with no list and the list just came out in July. Will look at provisional hires. Sheriff Hood suggested doing a promotion or billboard/commercial with things the County offers. County Administrator Scimone said to get ideas to Sam. Will look into talking to BOCES to help promote employment ideas as well as Cazenovia College.
- Hazard Mitigation Plan Jurisdictional Annexes are out for review. The next Planning Committee will meet via Zoom on October 4th at 10:00 a.m. and public information meetings will be held on Board day in the Chambers at 2:30 p.m. and via Zoom at 7:00 p.m.
- Jenna and Dan took a trip to a different County that is similar in size and population to ours to discuss their EMS program. Would like to invite the Criminal Justice Committee and any other Board member to a meeting following the Board Meeting/employee recognition on October 11th. The director of EMS from the other County will Zoom in and discuss how they got to where they are and answer any questions.

Director of 911 Frank McFall provided the following update:

- Tying up loose ends with the Spillman CAD/RMS project. Currently working on fire department recommendations for their structure fires and call types. User training will start the end of October into November. If everything stays on track, still hoping for a go live date of January 1st.

EMS Coordinator Jenna Illingworth provided the following updates:

- The fly car has done 165 calls to date with 14 ALS links. Started putting a car on overnight Saturday nights. Will try to cover one car 24 hours a day on Saturday and Sundays.
- Attended the regional EMS meeting. State EMS Advisory Committee wants to start to push

community paramedicine in NYS.

Preferred Agenda:

It was the consensus of the Committee to allow any eligible resolution from today's meeting to be added to the Preferred Agenda.

Executive Session:

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Rex Vosburg to enter into executive session at 9:54 a.m. to discuss matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person. Supervisor Bill Zupan seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Chairman Pete Walrod to exit executive session at 10:09 a.m. Vice Chairman Rex Vosburg seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried.

Adjournment:

The Committee adjourned at 10:12 a.m. on the motion of Zupan and second of Vosburg.

Next Meeting Date:

Wednesday, October 26, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Tricia Wiley on behalf of Chairman Paul H. Walrod.