

LAW ENFORCEMENT & JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

May 7, 2008

9:00 A.M.

Chairman O'Melia called meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. in Committee Room #2, at the Oneida County Courthouse.

LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chairman David O'Melia, Vice Chairman Ted Cushing, Member Jack Young, Member Paul Dean, and Member Peter Wolk.

OTHERS PRESENT: Recording Secretary Jill Butzlaff, Chief Deputy John Sweeney, Lieutenant Dan Hess, Medical Examiner Traci England, Corporation Counsel Brian Desmond, Assistant Corporation Counsel Mike Fugle, and County Coordinator John Potters.

Motion by Cushing to approve the May 7, 2008 agenda as posted, second was offered by Wolk, all eyes on voice vote; the motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Cushing to approve the April 23, 2008 minutes as presented, second was offered by Wolk, all eyes on voice vote; the motion carried 5-0.

MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION / ACTION:

Sheriff's Department - Radio Project VHF and Microwave Radio System

Lieutenant Dan Hess was present and gave the Committee a brief update on the status of the tower projects. Discussion was information only, no action taken.

Medical Examiner – Forest County Merger

Medical Examiner, Traci England, Corporation Counsel, Brian Desmond, and Assistant Corporation Counsel, Mike Fugle, were present. England noted that she had been contacted by Forest County to re-examine the possibility of combining medical examiner services. Desmond stated he would need to review the prior contract. Desmond noted the contract, if approved, would need to be presented at the County Board and would likely change England's employee status to part-time. Discussion was information only, and will be discussed further at the next Committee meeting.

Appoint Ted Cushing Vice Chairman

O'Melia nominated Ted Cushing as Vice Chairman.

Dean then nominated Peter Wolk as Vice Chairman, second by Cushing, all eyes on voice vote; the motion carried 5-0.

Sheriff's Department - Inmate Food Contract

Chief Deputy John Sweeney was present. Sweeney noted that the existing contract is effective until December 31, 2008. Sweeney stated negotiations regarding the 2009 contract will likely start in July of 2008. Discussion was information only, no action taken.

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Sheriff's Department - Resolution requesting placement of wireless emergency 911 surcharges into the budget repair bill

Chief Deputy John Sweeny and Lieutenant Dan Hess were present. Sweeny distributed copies of the resolution to the Committee. Hess noted the current surcharge is .43 cents. Sweeny noted this resolution will support a continued surcharge to help pay for upgrades for Wireless Emergency 911.

Motion by Cushing to approve the resolution and forward to the County Board, second by O'Melia, all ayes on voice vote; the motion carried 5-0.

9:30 a.m. Chairman O'Melia was excused from the meeting.

AUDIT OF ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENTS

Following examination and discussion of all vouchers, BPO Reports, line item transfers, and all other financial information submitted by law enforcement departments, the following motions were made:

Cushing made a motion to approve the BPO Reports, vouchers and all other financial information submitted by law enforcement departments, second by Dean, all ayes on voice vote; the motion carried 4-0.

Cushing made a motion to approve the line item transfers, second by Young, all ayes on voice vote; the motion carried 4-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS/DISCUSSIONS/COMMUNICATIONS

There were no other public comments or discussions.

DISCUSS TOPICS FOR NEXT AGENDA / SET DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next regular meetings were scheduled for:

May 21, 2008 9:00 a.m.

Topics for next agenda:

First Quarter Update on Restorative Justice

Forest County Contract

Courthouse Security

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before this committee, Cushing made a motion to adjourn with a second by Dean, all ayes on voice vote; the motion carried 4-0 and the meeting was adjourned at 9:44 a.m.

COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

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