

LAW ENFORCEMENT & JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

May 6, 2009

9:00 A.M.

Chairman O'Melia called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. in Committee Room #2, at the Oneida County Courthouse.

LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Recording Secretary Jill Butzlaff, Sheriff Jeff Hoffman, County Coordinator John Potters, Chief Deputy John Sweeney, Lieutenant Dan Hess, Assistant Corporation Counsel Mike Fugle, Circuit Court Branch II Judge Mark Mangerson, Ken Krall, WXPR, and Samantha Hernandez, Lakeland Times.

Motion by Cushing to approve the May 6, 2009 agenda as posted, second was offered by Wolk, all ayes on voice vote; the motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Cushing to approve the April 1, 2009 minutes as presented, second was offered by Dean, all ayes on voice vote; the motion carried 5-0.

MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION / ACTION:

Circuit Court Branch I & II - Guardian Ad Litem

Circuit Court Branch II Judge Mark Mangerson was present. Mangerson noted he was responding to Finance Director Margie Sorenson's Memo dated April 14, 2009 pertaining to the budget overdraft in Guardian Ad Litem (GAL) costs. Mangerson distributed a packet of information to the Committee. Mangerson explained that GAL costs pertain to child custody or placement disputes. Mangerson noted at times these costs are covered under divorce proceedings, but there are situations, based on federal guidelines, in which the county must bear the cost of the GAL. The judges typically require a monthly repayment in an attempt to recover the costs. Upon this review, Mangerson noted he discovered that Advisory Council fees are also being paid out of the GAL account. Mangerson has consulted with Sorenson, and he would like to break the GAL and Advisory Council expenses into two line items and create two revenue accounts associated with those line items. Brief discussion followed regarding the factors associated with the increased costs. Discussion was information only, no action taken.

Sheriff's Department - Vacancy Review – Deputy Sheriff

Sheriff Hoffman noted that a Deputy was promoted to Lieutenant and this request is filling the Deputy position. Hoffman noted he has discussed this with County Coordinator Potters.

Motion by Cushing to approve the vacancy review as requested and forward to Labor Relations and Employee Services, second by O'Melia, all ayes on voice vote; the motion carried 5-0.

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Sheriff's Department - Request for Proposals for Records Management System

Chief Deputy Sweeney was present and noted the Request for Proposal (RFP) document is significant. Sweeney noted that the County initially approved \$500,000 for this project and he is hopeful the RFP will be issued within the next 30 to 45 days. Sweeney noted he would return to the Committee after responses had been received. Discussion was information only, no action taken.

Sheriff's Department - 2009 Review of Governor and Legislature State Budget

Sheriff Hoffman and Chief Deputy Sweeney were present. Sweeney distributed information to the Committee indicating it is too early to determine what will transpire with the State budget. Hoffman noted he is hopeful the 911 surcharge will be in place for 2009. Sweeney noted at this time, it appears there will be revenue for housing inmates for 2010. Discussion was for information only, no action taken.

Sheriff's Department - Resolution – Records Retention Ordinance Amendment

Chief Deputy Sweeney distributed an Ordinance Amendment to the Committee. Sweeney noted this had been discussed several weeks ago, and the Department is cleaning up current language and adding information pertaining to new technology.

Motion by Cushing to approve the Records Retention Ordinance Amendment as corrected and forward to the County Board for approval, second by Young, all ayes voice vote; the motion carried 5-0.

Sheriff's Department - Radio Project Update

Lieutenant Dan Hess was present and distributed a budget update to the Committee. Hess noted there are still some outstanding invoices to be paid on the project, and he will continue to update the Committee. Discussion was for information only, no action taken.

Sheriff's Department - Oneida/Vilas Interconnect

Lieutenant Dan Hess was present. Hess noted the project is moving forward, and he would like to hire PSC Alliance Inc., as a consultant. Hess believes it would be beneficial to utilize the same company that Vilas County has hired. The cost for the consultant is \$15,000.

Motion by Cushing to authorize the hiring of PSC Alliance, Inc. for consulting in regards to the hook up for the Vilas/Oneida County Interconnect, contingent upon approval of Corporation Counsel, second by Wolk, all ayes on voice vote; the motion carried 5-0.

9:55 a.m. O'Melia was excused from the meeting.

Sheriff's Department - Resolution to revise 23.10(3) to address appeal for "vicious animals"

Chief Deputy Sweeney and Assistant Corporation Counsel Mike Fugle were present. Copies of the resolution were distributed to the Committee. Fugle noted the revision implements a time frame for an appeal to be filed with the Oneida County Clerk.

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Motion by Wolk to approve the Resolution in regards to 23.10(3) and forward it to the County Board for approval, second by Dean, all ayes on voice vote; the motion carried 4-0.

Sheriff's Department - Recovery Act – Justice Assistance Grant

Chief Deputy John Sweeney was present. Sweeney noted that Oneida County is eligible to receive \$14,630 for the Justice Assistance Grant. Sweeney reviewed and signed the grant forms with Oneida County Chair Andrew Smith on April 14, 2009. Sweeney noted the grant is available for public review, and stated the intent is to purchase some equipment and computers upon receipt of the money. Discussion was for information only, no action taken.

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, Cushing made a motion to approve all documents as presented, second by Dean all ayes on voice vote, the motion carried 4-0.

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

The next regular meeting was scheduled for:

June 3, 2009 – Time to be determined

PUBLIC COMMENTS/DISCUSSIONS/COMMUNICATIONS

There were no other public comments or discussions.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before this committee, Cushing made a motion to adjourn with a second by Wolk, all ayes on voice vote; the motion carried 4-0 and the meeting was adjourned at 10:12 a.m.

COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

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