

LAW ENFORCEMENT & JUDICIARY COMMITTEE
November 3, 2010
9:00 A.M.

Chairman O'Melia called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. in Committee Room #2, at the Oneida County Courthouse.

LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chairman David O'Melia, Vice Chairman Robert Metropulos, Member Billy Fried, Member Paul Dean and Member Jack Young were present.

OTHERS PRESENT: Recording Secretary Otona Lavender, Medical Examiner Traci England, District Attorney Michael Bloom, and County Coordinator, John Potters.

APPROVE:

Motion by Dean to approve the November 3, 2010, agenda as posted, second was offered by Young, all ayes on voice vote; the motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Metropulos to approve the Minutes of October 8, 2010 as presented, second was offered by Dean, all ayes on voice vote; the motion carried 5-0.

DISCUSS AND/OR APPROVE:

District Attorney/Medical Examiner – Expert Witness Fees

District Attorney Michael Bloom & Medical Examiner Traci England indicated that witness fees for expert testimony in criminal cases obtained from autopsy Doctors contracted by the Medical Examiner's Office shall be paid through the District Attorney's budget rather than the Medical Examiner's budget. Bloom indicates that no action needs to be taken at this time. He reviewed the process regarding the use of expert witnesses for autopsies gained from other counties. He felt that due to the infrequent use of this type of Witness that this should be brought back to the Committee for approval on a case-by-case basis and need not be added to the current budget. O'Melia stated that upon speaking with Finance Director, Margie Sorenson it was noted that the Contingency Fund would be available for these types of expenses.

No action was taken.

AUDIT OF ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENTS:

Motion by O'Melia to approve all line items, blanket purchase orders, and vouchers as presented, second was offered by Dean, all ayes on voice vote; the motion carried 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS/DISCUSSIONS/COMMUNICATIONS:

No public comments.

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

Meeting set for December 1, 2010 at 9 a.m.

ADJOURN:

Motion by Metropulos, second by Dean to adjourn at 9:28 a.m. all ayes on voice vote; the motion carried 5-0.

COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

COMMITTEE SECRETARY