# MINUTES OF THE ONEIDA COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING JUNE 10, 2021

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chairperson Mike Timmons, Billy Fried, Russ Fisher, Tom Kelly, and Mitch Ives.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: N/A

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Sheriff Grady Hartman, Mike Fugle (Corporation Counsel), Crystal Schaub (Medical Examiner), Heidi Ihn (District Attorney's Office), Traci Running (Clerk of Courts), Jean Meyer (Branch I), Shari Gorney (Corporation Counsel), Patty Finlan (Branch II), and Chris Schlueter, Committee Secretary.

#### CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Timmons called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. at the Oneida County Courthouse, Committee Room #2, stated the meeting notice had been posted and mailed in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law and noted accommodations would be made for handicap accessibility.

# APPROVE AGENDA

MOTION: To approve the Agenda (Kelly/Fisher, PASSED).

#### APPROVE PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

MOTION: To approve the May 20, 2021, Committee Meeting Minutes (Fisher/Kelly, PASSED).

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public present.

#### SCHEDULE COMMITTEE MEETING DATE(S)

The next meeting was scheduled for July 15, 2021, at 9:00 a.m.

# BILLS, VOUCHERS AND LINE ITEM TRANSFERS FOR PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENTS

MOTION: To approve the bills, vouchers, line item transfers and personal expense vouchers for Public Safety Departments (Fried/Ives, PASSED).

### MEDICAL EXAMINER

#### Additional Information regarding 2022 Staffing Requests

Medical Examiner Schaub provided Exhibit #1 2021 Wage and Benefit Information Comparison and Exhibit #2 chart with number of cases for last seven years. Discussion regarding cost of adding another full time medical examiner. ME Schaub indicated that the county is ahead of the dollars brought in at this same time last year. ME Schaub indicated there have been very few COVID deaths this year. ME Schaub indicated she expected to be busier than last year. ME Schaub indicated Forest County and Vilas County are about the same. Discussion about where to get the money for the position. Fried indicated ME Schaub should put in a staffing request with LRES. ME Schaub

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mentioned the Medical Examiner's Office has received many compliments on the quality of service.

MOTION: To approve the request of Medical Examiner Schaub to move the LT medical examiner to full time wage for 2022 (Fried/Kelly, PASSED).

#### SHERIFF'S OFFICE

# School Liaison Position Summer of 2021

Sheriff Hartman indicated he was keeping the Committee informed in regard to the school liaison position. Sheriff Hartman indicated the Sheriff's Office has seven vacancies. Sheriff Hartman indicated that usually two of the liaison officers come back for the summer and one stays with the school. Sheriff Hartman indicated he had spoken with the school superintendent and the one deputy assigned to the school for the summer will be back to help fill vacancies. Sheriff Hartman indicated this is a one-time deal and would require a payback. Discussion about deputies, training, and recruitment. No motion necessary.

#### Health Insurance Handbook Change

Sheriff Hartman provided Exhibit #3 Proposed Handbook Change. Discussion regarding recent events leading up to this requested change in policy.

MOTION: To approve the change to the handbook and send to LRES for review (Timmons/Kelly, PASSED).

#### **CORPORATION COUNSEL**

#### Retirement of Tom Wiensch

Corporation Counsel Mike Fugle indicated Tom Wiensch's last day will be July 2, 2021. Corporation Counsel Fugle indicated they will be transferring Wiensch's case load.

It is anticipated that a motion will be made, seconded and approved by roll call vote to enter into closed session pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(c) considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which this body has jurisdiction or responsibility (Topic: Assistant Corporation Counsel İl Recruitment).

MOTION: To go into closed session pursuant to WI Stats Section 19.85(1)(c) 'for the purposes of considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the body has jurisdiction or responsibility. Topic: Assistant Corporation Counsel II Recruitment. (Fisher/Ives, On Roll Call Vote: Timmons: Aye, Fisher: Aye, Kelly: Aye, Ives: Aye).

The Committee entered closed session at 10:10 a.m.

MOTION: To return to open session at 10:15 a.m. (Timmons/Fisher, On Roll Call Vote: Timmons: Aye, Fisher: Aye, Kelly: Aye, Ives: Aye).

Timmons indicated there was no action taken in closed session.

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MOTION: To allow Corporation Counsel to find a replacement due to the retirement of Tom Wiensch (Timmons/Fisher, PASSED).

Fried indicated Next Gen will be brought forward when there is something to report.

Timmons indicated there will be no ZOOM option offered for future meetings.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public present.

# ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

**Nothing** 

#### **ADJOURN**

Time: 10:17∕a.m.

Mike Timmons, Chairman

Russ Fisher, Vice-Chairman

Chris Schlueter, Committee Secretary