MINUTES OF THE ONEIDA COUNTY
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING
September 10, 2026

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairperson Russ Fisher, Debbie Condado, Michael Tautges, Ted Cushing and Linnaea Newman.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: NA

OTHERS PRESENT: Chief Deputy Terri Hook, Officer Administrator Amanda Young, Dan Hess, Sheriff Grady Hartman, District Attorney Jillian Pfeifer, Oneida County Clerk, Tracy Hartman, Medical Examiner Cambrya Hurlburt, Billy Fried, Clerk of Court Brenda Berhle

CALL TO ORDER
Chairperson Fisher 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 (Newman/Tautges, PASSED: 5-0).

APPROVE PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES
MOTION: To approve the August 13, 2026 Committee Meeting Minutes (Cushing/Condado, PASSED: 5-0).

PUBLIC COMMENTS
N/A, no public present

SCHEDULE COMMITTEE MEETING DATE(S)
The next meeting was scheduled for October 8, 2026 at 9:30 a.m.

BILLS, VOUCHERS AND LINE ITEM TRANSFERS FOR PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENTS
Chairperson Fisher notes all vouchers and line item transfers are received and within budget. No vote taken.

CLERK OF COURTS
2027 Budget Request – There will be an increase in County Ordinance fees with an increase in restitution to the Clerk of Courts. There is no budget for overtime. There is overtime for 2026, due to staff turnover and loss of experience in the office. Hopefully, next year there will be less overtime. There are no new programs or projects for 2027. Further discussion occurred in regard to the Clerk of Court's 2027 Budget Request.

MOTION: To accept the 2027 Budget Request as presented to move on to the Executive Committee. (Cushing/Newman, PASSED: 5-0).

DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

2027 Budget Request – The budget will be the same as the year prior. There will be an employee fund increase and a change in the budget, due to reimbursement for mileage and meals for Assistant District Attorney Ben Meyer to attend the University of Wisconsin law school recruitment. The District Attorney's Office is understaffed and the budget change would cover prosecutors attending conferences and being reimbursed for meals and lodging. Further discussion occurred in regard to the District Attorney's 2027 Budget Request.

MOTION: To accept the 2027 Budget Request as presented to move on to the Executive Committee. (Condado/Tautges, PASSED: 5-0).

MOTION: To approve the office furniture request for ADA Ben Meyer (Cushing/Condado, PASSED: 5-0).

MOTION: To approve reimbursement for mileage and meals for prosecutors to attend annual training. (Condado/Newman, PASSED: 5-0).

MOTION: To approve reimbursement for mileage and meals for ADA Meyer to attend UW-law school recruitment. (Condado/Newman, PASSED: 5-0).

SHERIFF"S OFFICE

2027 Budget Request
2030 Squad Car Video Camera CIP
Opioid Funds Request for Dispatch CIP
PSAP Phone Recorder 911 Call Handling CIP

2027 Budget Request – The 2026 Budget Requests were completed within the budget. The 2027 Budget Request has been reduced due to the discontinued use of Flock cameras and tower maintenance being built into the budget along with other decreases to pay for expenses. Further discussion occurred in regard to the Sheriff's Office 2027 Budget Request.

MOTION: To accept the 2027 Budget Request as presented to move on to the Executive Committee. (Condado/Cushing, PASSED: 5-0).

2030 Squad Car Video Camera CIP - Discussion occurred in regard to requesting $300,000 for a CIP project for squad car video cameras.

MOTION: To approve the 2030 Squad Camera CIP project to move on to the Executive Committee. (Cushing/Newman, PASSED 5-0).

Opioid Funds Request for Dispatch CIP, PSAP Phone Recorder 911 Call Handling CIP – There is an antiquated system in Dispatch and it needs to be upgraded to a more modern system. The Oneida County Sheriff's Office can apply for a grant to cover a portion of the expenses. The remaining expenses would need to be covered by Oneida County; however, it falls within the use of Opioid Funds.

MOTION: To approve the use of Opioid Funds for Dispatch to move on to the Executive Committee. (Cushing/Taugtes, PASSED 5-0).

MEDICAL EXAMINER'S OFFICE
Medical Examiner Yearly Evaluation was moved to the next Public Safety Meeting.

2027 Budget Request – The change in the budget was in regard to an increase in the pathology budget, due to more autopsies and overdoses this year. There is a decrease in public charges, due to the Medical Examiner's Office not currently charging for transports. Further discussion occurred in regard to the Medical Examiner's 2027 Budget Request.

MOTION: To accept the 2027 Budget request as presented to move on to the Executive Committee. (Tautges/Newman, PASSED: 5-0).

There was no closed session, due to committee members having other obligations.

PUBLIC COMMENTS
N/A, No public present

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS
Medical Examiner Yearly Evaluation

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10:48 a.m.

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Russ Fisher, Chairperson Desiree Duwe, Committee Secretary

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Michael Tautges, Vice-Chairperson