

**Law Enforcement & Public Safety Committee
Regular Meeting Minutes**

DATE & TIME: November 5, 2018 – 5:30 PM
LOCATION: COB, 6th Floor, Legislature Chairman’s Office
PRESIDING OFFICER: Chairwoman Mary Beth Maio
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Jay Mahler, Deputy Clerk
PRESENT: Legislators Collins, Haynes & Fabiano
ABSENT: Legislator Eckert
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes

OTHER ATTENDEES: Captain Altieri – UC Sheriff’s Office, Director Schmidt – Probation Department, Director Peterson – Emergency Management/Emergency Communications, Mr. Tom Kadgen – League of Women Voters

Chairwoman Maio called the meeting to order at 5:32 PM.

Motion No. 1: **Moved to APPROVE the Minutes of the October 3, 2018 meeting**

Motion By: Legislator Fabiano
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Collins

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Collins, Haynes, Fabiano & Maio
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Minutes APPROVED**

Resolutions for the November 20, 2018 Session of the Legislature

Resolution No. 432: Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Motorola Solutions Inc. – Emergency Management

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with Motorola Solutions, Inc in the amount of \$62,779.80 to extend the term of agreement for repair and maintenance of the Fire & EMS radio systems through November 2019.

Motion No. 2: **Motion to ADOPT Resolution No. 432**
Motion By: Legislator Fabiano
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Haynes

Discussion:

Chairwoman Maio advised the members that the contract was funded with 100% county dollars and asked Emergency Management/Emergency Communications Director Peterson if he would speak on the resolution. Director Peterson informed the members that the contract was for the maintenance of the Fire and EMS radio systems.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Collins, Haynes, Fabiano & Maio
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution is ADOPTED**

Resolution No. 446: Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – NYCOMCO – Ulster County Sheriff

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with NYCOMCO in the amount of \$89,376 to extend the term of agreement for Sheriff's Office Criminal Division radio equipment lease through December 2019.

Motion No. 3: **Motion to ADOPT Resolution No. 446**
Motion By: Legislator Fabiano
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Collins

Discussion:

Chairwoman Maio informed the members that the contract was 100% county funded and asked Captain Altieri if he would speak on the resolution. Captain Altieri informed the members that the contract was for the lease of radio equipment. Legislator Fabiano asked if it was an annual contract. Captain Altieri responded that it was.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Collins, Haynes, Fabiano & Maio
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution is ADOPTED**

Resolution No. 448: Approving Ulster County's 2019 STOP DWI Program Plan And Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute All Inter-Municipal Agreements Required Under The Plan – Department of Probation, STOP-DWI Division

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the 2019 STOP DWI Program Plan and authorizes the Chairman to execute agreements with various municipalities to carry out the plan.

Motion No. 4: **Motion to ADOPT Resolution No. 448**
Motion By: Legislator Haynes
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Collins

Discussion:

Chairwoman Maio recognized Probation Department Director Schmidt to explain the proposed plan. Director Schmidt informed the members that the plan was pretty much the same as in years past and included funding for DWI task forces in various municipalities, an Assistant District Attorney, Probation Officers and program funding. Chairwoman asked if there were any questions.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Collins, Haynes, Fabiano & Maio
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution is ADOPTED

Resolution No. 449: Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With New York State Office Of Victim Services To Accept A Grant For A Victim Of Crime Act (VOCA) Victim Assistance Program: Attorney Services - Department Of Probation

Resolution Summary: This resolution authorizes the Chairman to execute an agreement with NYS Office of Victims Services to accept a five year grant totaling \$1,363,193; \$257,770 for October 1, 2018 – September 30, 2019 with a \$64,983 match from Legal Services of the Hudson Valley, to provide legal services to victims of crimes.

Motion No. 5: Motion to ADOPT Resolution No. 449
Motion By: Legislator Collins
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Fabiano

Discussion:

Director Schmidt explained that the grant came about over the summer and was sizable. She explained that Legal Services of the Hudson Valley wanted to apply for the grant, but needed to go through an Office of Victims Services (OVS) agency. She explained that the Probation Department serves as the OVS in Ulster County. She added that Legal Services prepared the application and is providing the required match resulting in no cost to the county. The funding will allow Legal Services to use the money for victims of any crime. She reminded the members that current funding provided by the Legislature to the Probation Department for victim services is dedicated to domestic violence victims. Legislator Haynes asked for clarification on the match and asked whether Legal Services of the Hudson Valley receives county funding. Director Schmidt responded that the Legislature provided for \$50,000 in annual funding to Legal Services beginning about three years ago to aid victims of domestic violence. She added that the grant requires matching funds which Legal Services is providing.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Collins, Haynes, Fabiano & Maio
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution is ADOPTED

Resolution No. 450: Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Participation Agreement, And Any Amendments Thereto, With The New York State Division Of Homeland Security And Emergency Services For Participation In The Local Emergency Management Performance Grant Program For Federal Fiscal Year 2018 Amending The 2018 Ulster County Budget – Emergency Communications/Emergency Management

Resolution Summary: This resolution authorizes the Chairman to execute an agreement with NYS DHSES in the amount of \$72,771 for development, maintenance and improvement of all-hazards management and response capability from October 1, 2018 – September 30, 2019.

Motion No. 6: **Motion to ADOPT Resolution No. 450**
Motion By: Legislator Fabiano
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Haynes

Discussion:

Director Peterson explained that the grant is yearly and is 50% state and 50% County funded. He added that the grant covers part of his salary for planning of emergency management activities.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Collins, Haynes, Fabiano & Maio
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution is ADOPTED**

Resolution No. 451: Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement And Any Related Amendments With The New York State Division Of Homeland Security And Emergency Services For Participation In The 2018-19 Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) Operations Grant – Emergency Communications/ Emergency Management

Resolution Summary: This resolution authorizes the Chairman to execute an agreement with NYS DHSES in the amount of \$141,457 for participation in the Public Safety Answering Point Operation Grant from January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2019.

Motion No. 7: **Motion to ADOPT Resolution No. 451**
Motion By: Legislator Collins
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Fabiano

Discussion:

Director Peterson explained that the grant is 100% state funded and covers dispatchers' salaries and other aspects of the 911 center.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Collins, Haynes, Fabiano & Maio
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution is ADOPTED**

Resolution No. 452: Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement, And Any Related Amendments, With The New York State Division Of Homeland Security And Emergency Services For Participation In The 2018-2019 Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness (HMEP) Grant – Emergency Management Division Of Fire Services

Resolution Summary: This resolution authorizes the Chairman to execute an agreement with NYS DHSES in the amount of \$5,150 for participation in the 2018-2018 Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness Grant to sustain specialized training for the UC HAZMAT team from October 1, 2018 – September 30, 2019.

Motion No. 8: **Motion to ADOPT Resolution No. 452**
Motion By: Legislator Haynes
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Fabiano

Discussion:
Director Peterson explained that the grant was new and was secured by Ulster County Fire Coordinator Everett Erichsen. He added that the funding would be used for training of the HAZMAT team and travel expenses.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Collins, Haynes, Fabiano & Maio
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution is ADOPTED**

Chairwoman Maio moved on to the Sheriff's report and highlighted the board in revenue. Captain Altieri informed the members that they are averaging 5-7 board ins from Dutchess County with the remainder coming from Greene County. He added that the numbers from Greene County should be steady through 2019.

Chairwoman Maio asked if there was any old business and hearing none recognized Probation Department Director Schmidt to give an update on the Restorative Justice Center (RJC) and implementation of the Raise the Age legislation. Director Schmidt advised the members the progress on the RJC itself is moving along and remains on schedule for completion by the December 1st deadline. She stated that they might not be able to move staff in by that date, but should be able to work in the space. As far as programming for the RJC, she advised the members that a large RFP was sent out in September which included mentoring services, restorative justice practices, mental health services, etc. She added that a committee to review the proposals received recently met and she expected that award letters will be sent shortly.

Regarding implementation of the NYS Raise the Age laws, Director Schmidt stated that there have not been any cases yet. She added that was to be expected as counties were continuing to learn about the impacts of the new laws. She informed the members that conversations with other states indicated that

there experienced and initial reduction as police agencies got used to handling and processing 16-17 year olds under the new rules. She added that the goal of Raise the Age is to get to youth early on and provide interventions that keep them out of the Family Court system and have long term impacts. Captain Altieri stated that they are working on hiring security officers for the new facility. He added that the guards will be attending a restorative justice course so they better understand the services provided to help them in responding to program attendants.

Legislator Haynes noted that the state will reimburse counties for costs associated with implementing Raise the Age but asked if municipalities with local Police Departments could see a cost increase. Director Schmidt advised the members that during multi-department meetings on Raise the Age the issue was raised. She stated that local PDs were being encouraged to submit expenses for transporting youth and thought they would most likely receive reimbursement. She added that costs were difficult to estimate, which is an issue that multiple departments have encountered through the process.

Chairwoman Maio asked if anyone had an event around the county they wanted to share. Hearing none, she asked if there was any new or old business.

Legislator Haynes advised the members that a memorializing letter was circulated on her behalf which she encouraged the members to sign on to. She stated that the letter called upon Governor Cuomo and state lawmakers to reverse a NYS Department of Finance decision to eliminate supplemental insurance coverage for Emergency Service Departments and Fire Districts known as “Accident and Health” or “Accident and Sickness.” She added that the change would no longer provide certain compensation to first responders who suffer heart attacks or contract certain diseases in the line of duty. Legislators Fabiano and Maio indicated that they would sign on to the letter.

Chairwoman Maio informed the members that the next committee meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, December 4th. She asked if there was any other business, and hearing none;

Adjournment

Motion Made By: Legislator Fabiano

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Haynes

No. of Votes in Favor: 4

No. of Votes Against: 0

TIME: 5:53 PM

Respectfully submitted: Jay Mahler, Deputy Clerk

Minutes Approved: December 4, 2018

2018 Sheriff's Telephone/Board In revenue

Telephone Revenue

	Budget	Actual	Variance
January	\$18,747.83	\$18,109.00	(\$638.83)
February	\$18,747.83	\$17,261.00	(\$1,486.83)
March	\$18,747.83	\$18,690.00	(\$57.83)
April	\$18,747.83	\$18,080.00	(\$667.83)
May	\$18,747.83	\$20,083.00	\$1,335.17
June	\$18,747.83	\$21,688.00	\$2,940.17
July	\$18,747.83	\$20,943.00	\$2,195.17
August	\$18,747.83	\$21,904.00	\$3,156.17
September	\$18,747.83	\$18,608.00	(\$139.83)
October	\$18,747.83	\$18,930.00	\$182.17
November	\$18,747.83		(\$18,747.83)
December	\$18,747.83		(\$18,747.83)
Year to Date	\$224,973.96	\$194,296.00	(\$30,677.96)

Board in Revenue

Budget	Actual	Variance
\$16,425.00	\$27,705.00	\$11,280.00
\$16,425.00	\$11,050.00	(\$5,375.00)
\$16,425.00	\$10,170.00	(\$6,255.00)
\$16,425.00	\$34,480.00	\$18,055.00
\$16,425.00	\$92,490.00	\$76,065.00
\$16,425.00	\$106,185.00	\$89,760.00
\$16,425.00	\$97,215.00	\$80,790.00
\$16,425.00	\$110,280.00	\$93,855.00
\$16,425.00	\$128,580.00	\$112,155.00
\$16,425.00	\$136,590.00	\$120,165.00
\$16,425.00		(\$16,425.00)
\$16,425.00		(\$16,425.00)
\$197,100.00	\$754,745.00	\$557,645.00

Board in Counts

ADUC	ADBI	TDA
268	8	276
265	4	269
250	4	253
258	14	272
254	36	290
255	44	300
257	39	296
263	45	308
247	48	296
235	56	291

**Total
Budgeted**

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55 percent