

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
OCTOBER 31, 2023

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Wilson, Hogan, Haff, Hicks, O'Brien, Clary, Rozell

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

SUPERVISORS: Henke, Hall, Shaw, Fisher, Campbell, Skellie,

Debra Prehoda, Clerk of the Board

Dan Martindale, Deputy County Attorney

Al Nolette, County Treasurer

Melissa Fitch, County Administrator

AGENDA AS PRESENTED IN COMMITTEE NOTICE:

1. Call to Order
2. Accept Minutes – September 26, 2023
3. Department Reports/Requests:
  - A. Sheriff
    1. BJA Patrick Leahy Bulletproof Vest Partnership 2023 Award
    2. 2023 Pharmacy Bid
4. Other Business
5. Adjournment

Chairman Wilson called the meeting to order at 11:06 A.M. in the Supervisors' Classroom Room B214, Municipal Center, Fort Edward, New York. Supervisor Haff joined via videoconference due to extraordinary circumstances.

A motion to accept the minutes of the September 28, 2023 meeting was moved by Mr. O'Brien, seconded by Mr. Hogan, and adopted.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS /REQUESTS:

SHERIFF – Sheriff Murphy addressed the following items with the committee:

- BJA Patrick Leahy Bulletproof Vest Partnership 2023 Award – Motion to accept BJA Patrick Leahy Bulletproof Vest 2023 award in the amount of \$35,072.50 of which \$5,176 is for the Probation Department and forward budget amendment to the Finance Committee was moved by Mr. Hogan, seconded by Mr. Hicks, and adopted.
- 2023 Pharmacy Bid – Motion to accept pharmacy bid for 2024 from Diamond Pharmacy, lowest bidder, was moved by Mr. Hogan, seconded by Mr. Hicks, and adopted.
- Fort Edward Report – Presented quarterly activity report for providing law enforcement services under contract for the village of Fort Edward, slides attached. He noted that other villages if they are not sending patrols out should let them know ahead of time and then it becomes the Sheriff's case. Mr. Haff was wondering if the Sheriff could create a statistic of those that are released on their own recognizance due to bail reform. Mike Mercure, Public Defender, stated he has arraignment statistics and will provide that information.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- Public Safety – Glen Gosnell, Director, addressed the following items:
  - Motion to amend budget to recognize 2023 Communication grant in the amount of \$773,600 and 2023 Public Safety Answering Point Operations, PSAP, grant in the amount of \$447,298 and forward to the Finance Committee was moved by Mr. O'Brien, seconded by Mr. Hicks, and adopted.
- Future of EMS working group meeting on October 27<sup>th</sup> discussed where the working group has gone as far as recommendations that included discussion on gap coverage and it was brought up if it is time for the county to file for a municipal certificate of need. Mr. O'Brien stated it was suggested having a meeting to bring all the Supervisors up to date on where to go from here because some



