

WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COMMITTEE: PUBLIC SAFETY

DATE: JUNE 13, 2013

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

SUPERVISORS WOOD
GIRARD
BENTLEY
MONTESI
TAYLOR
FRASIER
STRAINER

OTHERS PRESENT:

BUD YORK, WARREN COUNTY SHERIFF
SHAWN LAMOUREE, WARREN COUNTY UNDERSHERIFF
KEVIN B. GERAGHTY, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD
PAUL DUSEK, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
JOAN SADY, CLERK OF THE BOARD
SUPERVISORS CONOVER
KENNY
DON LEHMAN, *THE POST STAR*
SARAH MCLENITHAN, LEGISLATIVE OFFICE SPECIALIST

Mrs. Wood called the meeting of the Public Safety Committee to order at 8:48 a.m.

Motion was made by Mr. Strainer, seconded by Mr. Girard and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the previous Committee meeting, subject to correction by the Clerk of the Board.

Privilege of the floor was extended to Bud York, Warren County Sheriff, who distributed copies of the agenda to the Committee members; *a copy of which is on file with the minutes.*

Sheriff York requested to fill the vacant position of Patrol Officer, annual salary of \$34,996, Employee No. 11152, due to resignation. He noted that there would be a savings to the County of \$19,812.

Motion was made by Mr. Bentley, seconded by Mr. Strainer and carried unanimously to approve the filling of the vacant position as outlined above and to forward same to the Personnel Committee. *A copy of the Notice of Intent to Fill Vacant Position form is on file with the minutes.*

Sheriff York presented a request to carry over the State Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program (SLETPP) grant funds from 2010 and 2011 and Amend the 2013 County Budget to increase estimated revenues and appropriations in the amount of \$16,791.46. Shawn Lamouree, Warren County Undersheriff, explained that the Treasurer's Office had advised them the 2010 and 2011 SLETPP grant funding that was not expended needed to be carried over to the 2013 County Budget.

Mr. Girard queried what the total remaining funds for each year was and Undersheriff Lamouree replied that the 2010 grant had \$14,906 remaining and \$1,885.46 remained from the 2011 grant. Mr. Montesi asked whether there was a mandate dictating what the funds could be used for and Undersheriff York replied affirmatively.

Motion was made by Mr. Bentley, seconded by Mr. Montesi and carried unanimously to approve the request to carry over 2010 and 2011 SLETPP funds and to Amend the 2013 County Budget as outlined above and forward same to the Finance Committee. *A copy of the request to Amend the 2013 County Budget is on file with the minutes.*

With regards to updates on the possible consolidation of the Warren County Sheriff's Office with the City of Glens Falls Police Department, Sheriff York advised sixteen additional Patrol Officers, four Sergeants, two Investigators and one Lieutenant would be required to cover the increased workload.

Mr. Strainer asked if Sheriff York knew what the additional cost to the County would be and Sheriff York replied in the negative. He explained the only way to provide accurate financial figures was to have a study group perform an analysis.

Mr. Strainer queried why an analysis was necessary and Sheriff York replied that they would be required to honor portions of the contract the City Officers had with the Glens Falls Police Benevolent Association. He explained the City Officers received benefits that differed from what the Sheriff's Department provided to their employees. Mr. Montesi asked whether Sheriff York could provide an amount without fringe benefits factored in and Sheriff York responded in the affirmative; however, he stated, he was not comfortable providing this because it was not accurate. Mr. Taylor asked whether foot patrol would be provided and Sheriff York replied that they would offer the same services the City of Glens Falls Police Department currently provided.

As there was no further business to come before the Public Safety Committee on motion made by Mr. Strainer and seconded by Mr. Montesi, Mrs. Wood adjourned the meeting at 8:57 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Sarah McLenithan, Legislative Office Specialist