

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
January 5, 2011

**** NOT APPROVED ****

Committee Members Present

M. Healy, G. Benson, D. Burdick, T. Hopkins, A. McGraw, C. Crandall (*Absent: D. Russo*)

Others Present

M. Alger, L. Edwards, D. Fanton, K. LaForge, J. Margeson, T. Miner, B. Riehle, F. Sinclair, R. Starks, N. Ungermann, R. Whitney, K. Monroe, C Ivers, B. Kelley, D. Vespucci, J. Hopkins, J. Luckey, K. Slep.

Public Safety Committee Chairman Dwight “Mike” Healy called the meeting to order at 11:21 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator Burdick and carried to approve the December 1, 2011, Public Safety Committee minutes.

Ignition Interlock Devices

Probation Director Robert Starks reported that in the first quarter the Probation Department has received fifteen orders from courts for ignition interlock devices. Even though not all of these devices will be installed (defendant sold car or no car available, etc.), the county will be reimbursed by the state at the rate of \$114 per order for a total at this point of \$1,710. Director Starks noted that three sentences have been transferred from other counties and several sentences ordered in this county were transferred to other counties due to residence.

11/29/10-12/3/10 Storm Damage

Emergency Management and Fire Director Jeff Luckey reported that storm damage in the county totaled approximately \$338,000 with a few municipalities still to report, but the state is unlikely to meet the threshold necessary for a Federal Disaster Declaration. State Route 19 in the Town of Willing and State Route 446 in the Town of Cuba were significant flood areas. Mr. Luckey provided a written report, along with pictures of the Scio Highway Department property. They have lost almost 140 feet to movement of the Genesee River since 2001.

Fee for Defendants Attending Victim Impact Panel

STOP DWI Coordinator Linda Edwards requested permission to charge a \$10 fee to all individuals ordered to attend a Victim Impact Panel. This will cover costs of providing the Victim Impact Panels, possibly including reimbursement to speakers and breath testing equipment. A motion was made by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator McGraw and carried to authorize charging a \$10 fee for attendance at a Victim Impact Panel. **Refer to Ways and Means Committee**

Bicycle Safety Grant

Youth Bureau Director Linda Edwards requested permission to reappropriate unexpended revenue of \$2,893.62 in the Bicycle Safety Grant to the 2011 budget year. A motion was made by Legislator Burdick, seconded by Legislator McGraw and carried to re-appropriate the unexpended monies to the 2011 budget year. **Refer to Ways and Means Committee**

District Attorney

Newly appointed District Attorney Keith Slep was introduced and welcomed, and he reports all is well.

Request to Fill Positions

Newly elected Sheriff Rick Whitney and Undersheriff Kevin Monroe were introduced and welcomed. Sheriff Whitney requested permission to fill a Corporal position made vacant due to a promotion. He also requested permission to fill two Correction Officer positions due to retirements. Finally, he requested permission to fill one Correction Officer position due to an extended military leave. A motion was made by Legislator Mike Healey, seconded by Legislator Hopkins to refer these requests to John Margeson for review. **Refer to County Administrator and Ways and Means Committee**

New Business

The Traffic Safety Board is requesting that five individuals (Dawn Santangelo, Ray Parlett, John Zlomek, Linda Edwards, and Melinda Rounds) be reappointed to three year terms on the Traffic Safety Board commencing 1/1/11 and expiring 12/31/13. A motion was made by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator McGraw and carried to re-appoint these individuals. **Prepare Resolution**

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the committee, a motion was made by Legislator Burdick, seconded by Legislator Benson and carried to adjourn the meeting at 11:41 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Edwards, Youth Bureau Director/STOP DWI Coordinator

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
January 10, 2011**

**** NOT APPROVED ****

Committee Members Present

M. Healy, G. Benson, D. Burdick, T. Hopkins, A. McGraw, C. Crandall (*Absent: D. Russo*)

Others Present

M. Alger, L. Edwards, D. Fanton, J. Margeson, T. Miner, R. Starks, J. Luckey, R. Whitney, K. Monroe, N. Ungermann

Public Safety Committee Chairman Dwight "Mike" Healy called the meeting to order at 2:45 p.m.

Contract for Provision of Legal Services for Indigent Defense

County Administrator John Margeson addressed the committee regarding the contract for Indigent Defense. He stated that the county has previously contracted with Allegany/Cattaraugus Legal Services for provision of legal services to the indigent. This is necessary as the Public Defender's Office may have a conflict with particular cases and the county must have a back-up plan. The county has contracted with this company for the last five or six years and they have provided a good service. An RFP was issued and posted in the two official county newspapers and one proposal was received. That proposal was from Allegany/Cattaraugus Legal Services in the amount of \$210,000. The County Attorney has reviewed the contract and Mr. Margeson is recommending that the contract be accepted. Legislator Crandall commented that the job is done well and done right by Allegany/Cattaraugus Legal Services. A motion was made by Legislator Healey, seconded by Legislator Burdick and carried to approve a contract with Allegany/Cattaraugus Legal Services for provision of legal services to the indigent in the amount of \$210,000.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the committee, a motion was made by Legislator Burdick, seconded by Legislator Hopkins and carried to adjourn the meeting at 2:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Edwards
Youth Bureau Director/STOP DWI Coordinator

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

January 24, 2011

**** NOT APPROVED ****

Committee Members Present

M. Healy, D. Burdick, T. Hopkins, A. McGraw, C. Crandall (*Absent: G. Benson*)

Others Present

M. Alger, L. Edwards, D. Fanton, J. Margeson, T. Miner, J. Luckey, K. Monroe, N. Ungermann, T. O'Grady, K. Graves, C. Ivers

Public Safety Committee Chairman Dwight "Mike" Healy called the meeting to order at 2:55 p.m.

Sheriff's Department Request to Fill Positions

Chris Ivers addressed the committee on behalf of Sheriff Rick Whitney to request permission to create three Court Security positions as identified by the Office of Court Administration. These positions are funded by OCA. Legislators Hopkins and Burdick asked if these were new positions due to the building of the new courthouse and Mr. Ivers responded that this was correct. He commented that these positions are 100% state funded. Legislator Ungermann questioned if this included both salary and benefits and Mr. Ivers responded affirmatively. A motion was made by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator Hopkins and carried to create three Court Security positions.

Prepare Resolution

Chris Ivers also requested permission to fill three positions of Correction Officer to backfill the three Court Officer positions required by the Office of Court Administration. Legislator O'Grady commented that the county will see some savings by having deputies filling the court positions and filling the current positions with Corrections Officers. Legislator Hopkins asked if the current list of part-time Corrections Officers will be contacted first for the full-time positions and Mr. Ivers said that would be the case. A motion was made by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator Burdick and carried to fill three Corrections Officer positions. **Prepare Resolution**

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the committee, a motion was made by Legislator McGraw, seconded by Legislator Burdick and carried to adjourn the meeting at 3:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Edwards
Youth Bureau Director/STOP DWI Coordinator

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

February 2, 2011

**** NOT APPROVED ****

Committee Members Present

M. Healy, G. Benson, D. Burdick, T. Hopkins, C. Crandall

Others Present

M. Alger, L. Edwards, D. Fanton, J. Margeson, T. Miner, B. Riehle, F. Sinclair, R. Starks, R. Whitney, K. Monroe, B. Kelley, J. Luckey, K. Slep, K. Graves, L. Ballengee, E. Ruckle, D. Hanchett

Public Safety Committee Chairman Dwight "Mike" Healy called the meeting to order at 11:07 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Legislator Burdick, seconded by Legislator Hopkins and carried to approve the January 5, 2011, January 10, 2011, and January 24, 2011 , Public Safety Committee minutes.

Public Defender

Public Defender Barbara Kelley had nothing to report.

Probation Director

Director Robert Starks had nothing to report.

Director of Emergency Management and Fire

Director Jeffrey Luckey had nothing to report, but noted he was glad to see better weather today than had been predicted.

Youth Bureau Director/STOP-DWI Coordinator

Director Linda Edwards had nothing to report.

District Attorney

District Attorney Keith Slep reported that his office has filed a grant application for interrogation rooms for local police departments and he is waiting to hear regarding approval.

Weights and Measures Director

Director Gilbert Green was unable to attend but had nothing to report.

Sheriff Rick Whitney

Approval of Agreement with Oneida County for CNY Psychiatric Center

Sheriff Whitney requested approval of an agreement with Oneida County to provide inmate mental health treatment at the Central New York Psychiatric Center. A motion was made by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator Burdick and carried to approve this contract pending review by the County Attorney. **Prepare Resolution**

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Approval of Agreement with NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation

Sheriff Whitney requested approval of an agreement with the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation for provision of a boat for use as needed on Cuba Lake and Rushford Lake. Deputy Daniel Hanchett stated that boats are manned on the lakes every holiday and all weekends through the summer. He noted that labor costs are reimbursed by New York State and there are six deputies in the Marine Division. He added that this division will be offering boater safety courses this year. A motion was made by Legislator Burdick, seconded by Legislator Hopkins and carried to approve the contract pending review by the County Attorney. **Prepare Resolution**

Request to Fill Positions

Sheriff Whitney requested permission to fill a part-time Confidential Secretary position. The current part-time secretary is working about twenty hours per week and the second part-time position will work about sixteen hours per week. No benefits will be provided to either position. A motion was made by Legislator Mike Healy, seconded by Legislator Hopkins and carried to refer these requests to John Margeson for review. **Refer to County Administrator and Ways and Means Committee**

Re-Appropriation of Grants

Sheriff Whitney requested permission to re-appropriate the ACT II Batterers Grant in the amount of \$4,959.00. A motion was made by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator Healy and carried to re-appropriate these funds for 2011. **Refer to Ways and Means Committee**

Sheriff Whitney requested permission to re-appropriate the 2008 LETPP Homeland Security Grant in the amount of \$5,938.00. This grant is used for training purposes. A motion was made by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator Hopkins and carried to re-appropriate these funds for 2011. **Refer to Ways and Means Committee**

Sheriff Whitney requested permission to re-appropriate the 2009 LETPP Grant in the amount of \$34,750.00. This grant is used for IED training. A motion was made by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator Burdick and carried to re-appropriate these funds for 2011. **Refer to Ways and Means Committee**

Sheriff Whitney requested permission to re-appropriate the PSIC Grant in the amount of \$1,665,091.00. This grant is used for a new radio system. A motion was made by Legislator Burdick, seconded by Legislator Hopkins and carried to re-appropriate these funds for 2011. **Refer to Ways and Means Committee**

Old Business

Legislator Burdick questioned Deputy Hanchett about the radio grant and if another tower was going to be needed. Deputy Hanchett and Legislator Healy responded that alternatives are being explored.

Legislator Healy noted that Randy Swarthout has been appointed to the Communications and Technology Ad Hoc Committee to provide his expertise and enhance communications.

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Executive Session

A motion was made at 11:30 a.m. by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator Hopkins and carried to go into Executive Session for attorney/client purposes to discuss issues regarding a legal contract. Immediately following discussion, a motion was made by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator Hopkins and carried to end the executive session at 11:50 a.m. and return to the regular meeting.

New Business

Legislator Burdick questioned Deputy Hanchett about the status of the texting of fire/EMS calls to department members. Deputy Hanchett replied that they are working with the vendor who needs to write a software program for the current CAD system. Further mapping and updating needs to be done before the texting program can be implemented. He noted that the current CAD system is seven years old and is nearing the point of needing to be replaced. Deputy Hanchett stated that a new system could cost between \$300,000 and \$400,000. Legislator Hopkins commented that this will need to be built into the budget in the next few years.

Sheriff Whitney commended two of his dispatchers for their handling of a possible suicide attempt. An individual phoned the 911 Center stating he had a gun to his head and was going to take his life. They were able to maintain contact with an individual until emergency responders arrived, and a possible suicide was prevented. Sheriff Whitney was very proud of the job done by his dispatchers.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the committee, a motion was made by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator Burdick, and carried to adjourn the meeting at 11:59 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Edwards
Youth Bureau Director/STOP DWI Coordinator

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
March 2, 2011

**** NOT APPROVED ****

Committee Members Present

M. Healy, G. Benson, D. Burdick, A. McGraw (*Absent: T. Hopkins*)

Others Present

M. Alger, L. Edwards, J. Margeson, T. Miner, B. Riehle, F. Sinclair, R. Starks, R. Whitney, K. Monroe, J. Luckey, K. Graves, E. Ruckle, D. Hanchett, D. Sortore, K. LaForge, R. Christman

Public Safety Committee Chairman Dwight "Mike" Healy called the meeting to order at 11:06 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Legislator Burdick, seconded by Legislator Benson and carried to approve the February 2, 2011, Public Safety Committee minutes.

Public Defender

Public Defender Barbara Kelley was unable to attend but had nothing to report.

Probation Director

Director Robert Starks reported that warrants are now listed on the county website under the Probation suite. He noted that there was an article in the newspaper and he has written to law enforcement agencies in the county to inform them. Legislator Graves asked if there was a way to track the number of hits to this area and Bob stated that he would check with the IT Department.

Director Starks also provided a Memorandum of Explanation requesting a resolution approving Chairman Crandall to sign the Interlock Ignition Device contract with New York State. Legislator Sinclair asked Bob to explain how IID works. Bob explained that a breathalyzer is installed on the car's ignition, along with a camera, and the vehicle starts after a breath test registering .025% or less BAC. Rolling re-tests are also done every ten to fifteen minutes. A motion was made by Legislator Burdick, seconded by Legislator McGraw and carried to approve the contract as soon as it is received from New York State. **Refer to Ways and Means Committee**

Director of Emergency Management and Fire

Director Jeffrey Luckey requested permission to re-appropriate a Homeland Security Grant of \$76,472.00. He also requested permission to re-appropriate a Homeland Security Grant of \$15,570.20. A motion was made by Legislator McGraw, seconded by Legislator Benson and carried to approve this request. **Refer to Ways and Means Committee**

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Director Luckey provided the committee with a copy of the Fire Service Organizational Chart, Fire Districts and Fire Investigator Dispatching Roster for informational purposes.

Director Luckey noted that prior flooding damage will likely meet the FEMA state level of \$24.6 million.

Director Luckey noted that he spoke at the most recent Victim Impact Panel provided by the STOP-DWI Office and commented that he felt the program is very beneficial.

Youth Bureau Director/STOP-DWI Coordinator

Director Linda Edwards provided the committee with a list of individuals for re-appointment to the County Youth Board. This included Deborah Aumick, James Cross, Sherry Weirich, Ralph Eastlack and Gary Ostrower. A motion was made by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator McGraw and carried to re-appoint these members.

Director Edwards provided the committee with the STOP-DWI Booklet which contains the DWI statistics for the calendar year 2010. She noted that arrest numbers and fine money received were both down.

District Attorney

District Attorney Keith Slep was unable to attend but had nothing to report.

Weights and Measures Director

Director Gilbert Green was unable to attend but had nothing to report.

Sheriff Rick Whitney

Sheriff Rick Whitney noted that the PSIC grant is moving forward.

Executive Session

A motion was made at 11:27 a.m. by Legislator Burdick, seconded by Legislator Benson to go into Executive Session for attorney/client purposes to discuss issues regarding a legal contract. Immediately following discussion, a motion was made by Legislator Burdick, seconded by Legislator Benson to end the executive session at 11:43 a.m. and return to the regular meeting.

Sheriff Rick Whitney

Further discussion was held regarding the PSIC grant. Sheriff Whitney and Lt. Hanchett reported that under the PSIC grant low band will still be accessible using a cross-band repeater. They are looking for a grant to purchase high-band radios.

Adjournment

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There being no further business to come before the committee, a motion was made by Legislator Burdick, seconded by Legislator Benson, and carried to adjourn the meeting at 11:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Edwards
Youth Bureau Director/STOP DWI Coordinator

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

April 6, 2011

**** NOT APPROVED ****

Committee Members Present

M. Healy, G. Benson, D. Burdick, A. McGraw, T. Hopkins

Others Present

L. Edwards, J. Margeson, T. Miner, B. Riehle, F. Sinclair, R. Starks, R. Whitney, K. Monroe, J. Luckey, K. Graves, E. Ruckle, D. Hanchett, M. Barney, K. Slep, B. Kelley, R. Swarthout, B. LaValley, D. Vespucci

Public Safety Committee Chairman Dwight "Mike" Healy called the meeting to order at 11:25 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Legislator Burdick, seconded by Legislator Hopkins and carried to approve the March 2, 2011, Public Safety Committee minutes with one correction. Under Probation Director, Line 2 should read "He noted that there will be an article in the newspaper."

A motion was made by Legislator Burdick, seconded by Legislator Hopkins and carried to approve the March 14, 2011, minutes.

Public Defender

Public Defender Barbara Kelley had nothing to report.

Probation Director

Director Robert Starks reported that an article was in the Wellsville Daily Reporter regarding the warrants being on the county website.

Director Starks noted that he has received information on the state budget and reimbursement figures to probation. At this time it looks like there will be a 7% reduction to regular probation, 8% reduction to ATI Programs, and 8% reduction to Probation Eligible Diversion. He was asked to look at the 2011 budget to determine if any cuts need to be made.

Director of Emergency Management and Fire

Assistant Director Mike Barney noted that CLIA licensing procedures require that volunteer ambulance departments have a license in order to use a glucometer. Rather than having each ambulance department apply for individual licensing, the county can apply for a multi-site license that will cover all ambulance departments. This will cost \$200 for a county license rather than each department paying that amount. The county will do the paperwork and SWREMS (regional association) will pay the fee. A motion

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was made by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator Benson and carried to allow the county to apply for a multi-site license.

Director Jeffrey Luckey provided information and handouts on hydrofracking that were presented at a recent OFPC training he attended. He noted that one of the most important things is to establish common-sense regulations to guide the process. Working with a quality gas company is also important. The design of the padwork for drilling is essential for containment. Regulations for transportation are important to monitor moving of water and other activity. Emergency response is designed to protect exposure and life. First responders will be provided training as needed. Hazardous materials responders are already in place. Legislator Sinclair asked about labeling of trucks and again Director Luckey noted that regulations are in place. Legislator Healy asked that Director Luckey stay on top of regulations and trainings so that we can stay ahead of the curve. Handouts are attached.

Youth Bureau Director/STOP-DWI Coordinator

Director Linda Edwards noted that the Top Cop Dinner was held recently and was very successful. There were 46 people in attendance for the buffet dinner. Recognized were seven Top Cops (those officers making the most DWI arrests), two toxicologists from the State Police Crime Lab in Olean, and Victim Impact Panel speakers.

Director Edwards commented that the state budget impact on the Youth Bureau should be less than anticipated. The Governor's proposal of PPIP (a block grant) was rejected and the past funding format was continued. Dollar figures are being reviewed and we are waiting for final figures for allocations.

District Attorney

District Attorney Keith Slep requested approval of acceptance of a grant in the amount of \$19,519.00 from the Byrne/JAG Fund for the purchase of equipment for the video recording of statements. A motion was made by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator Healy and carried to accept this grant. **Refer to Ways and Means Committee**

Weights and Measures Director

Director Gilbert Green was unable to attend but had nothing to report.

Sheriff Rick Whitney

Sheriff Rick Whitney stated that the PSIC Grant continues to move forward. Seven towers will be reduced to six and this will allow for funds to be reallocated to include equipment shelters with HVAC at the six sites. Four of the tower sites would require an upgrade of the backup power available. This would require the purchase of a generator at each site and include site work of a concrete pad and 100 amp electrical service. An additional amount of \$17,892.00 is being requested for generators. A

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motion was made by Legislator Burdick, seconded by Legislator Healy and carried to approve this request. **Refer to Ways and Means Committee**

Sheriff Whitney requested the transfer of \$100,000.00 from Fire-E911 Telephone to E911 Dispatch Telephone as the E911 Dispatch Center is now managed by the Sheriff's Office. A motion was made by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator Burdick and carried to approve the transfer. **Refer to Ways and Means Committee**

Sheriff Whitney requested approval to sign a contract with AK Associates to provide E911 database/phone line service for the period of May 1, 2011 to April 30, 2011 in the amount of \$44,000.00. This contract will replace an expiring contract with Verizon which cost \$66,000.00. A motion was made by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator Burdick and carried to approve the contract with AK Associates. **Prepare Resolution**

Sheriff Whitney requested acceptance of a grant from Homeland Security in the amount of \$22,328.00 for purchase of mobile data terminals for department cars. After a question by Legislator Burdick, Lt. Hanchett noted that no further costs would be incurred for training or equipment. A motion was made by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator Benson and carried to accept this grant. **Refer to Ways and Means Committee**

Sheriff Whitney requested approval to enter into an inter-municipal agreement with Schuyler County beginning July 1, 2011 which would re-establish a long-term relationship. This would allow Sheriff's Deputies to work at the Watkins Glen International Raceway. They would be covered by Schuyler County insurance as they would be special emergency deputies. Vehicle costs would be reimbursed at a rate of \$30 per day per vehicle and any necessary repairs would also be covered by Schuyler County. A motion was made by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator Hopkins and carried to approve this agreement with Schuyler County. **Prepare Resolution**

New Business

County Attorney Tom Miner stated that the County is the lead agency for the PSIC Tower Grant. The committee of jurisdiction is the Public Safety Committee and it is their obligation to review the SEQR for the new tower in Andover. The long form SEQR was reviewed by Attorney Miner with the committee line by line. A motion was made by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator Burdick and carried that after a review of the Project Information there is a negative impact on the community. Attorney Miner noted that bids will be released on 4/6/11, received by 4/13/11 and bid opening will be on 4/20/11.

Adjournment

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There being no further business to come before the committee, a motion was made by Legislator Burdick, seconded by Legislator Healy, and carried to adjourn the meeting at 12:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Edwards
Youth Bureau Director/STOP DWI Coordinator

**JOINT
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE and
WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE
April 20, 2011**

**** NOT APPROVED ****

Public Safety Committee Members Present

M. Healy, D. Burdick, T. Hopkins, A. McGraw, C. Crandall (Absent: G. Benson)

Ways & Means Committee Members Present

T. Hopkins, D. Fanton, D. Burdick, M. Healy, K. LaForge, T. O'Grady, D. Pullen, F. Sinclair, C. Crandall

Others Present

L. Edwards, J. Margeson, M. Alger, N. Carnes, B. Riehle, F. Sinclair, R. Starks, R. Whitney, K. Monroe, J. Luckey, K. Graves, T. Ross

Pingrey Hill Tower

County Administrator John Margeson provided an update for the Ways and Means Committee members regarding the status to date. The legal notice of the RFP for the tower was placed in the newspapers and one bid was received. This was from SAIA Communications in the amount of \$234,401.25 for a purchase. An alternate financing bid for a five year lease/purchase was made with a bid of \$265,406.50, a difference of a little over \$31,000. The County Attorney has reviewed the bids and they were acceptable. The Public Safety Committee needs to make a decision whether to award or reject the bid and then, if accepted, the Ways and Means Committee will need to determine the authorization of funding for the project.

A motion was made by Legislator Healy and seconded by Legislator Hopkins to accept the bid for purchase and full payment. Discussion ensued about using money from contingency and depleting available money. Chairman Crandall commented that the county is in a better financial position now, and he felt that this should be purchased and paid for now. Several legislators were concerned about the loss of taxes but it was felt the impact would be minimal. The motion was carried. The matter was referred to the Ways & Means Committee for final approval and to identify the funding source.

A motion was made by Legislator Fanton, seconded by Legislator Healy, and carried to authorize the appropriation of funds and approval of contract with Saia Communications, Inc. for the purchase of a 260' self-supporting communications tower located on Pingrey Hill Road in the Town of Andover. The sum of \$234,402 should be transferred from A1990.4 (Contingency) with the cost of the purchase of the tower appropriated to A3640.201 (Emergency Services – Equipment) and the cost of the land appropriated to A8710.210 (Conservation – Equipment)/Other). **PREPARE**

RESOLUTION

April 20, 2011

County Administrator John Margeson and Assistant County Attorney Nora Carnes noted that SAIA is prepared to move ahead as soon as committee action is taken today.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the committees, a motion was made by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator Burdick, and carried to adjourn the meeting at 3:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Edwards
Youth Bureau Director/STOP DWI Coordinator

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

May 4, 2011

**** NOT APPROVED ****

Committee Members Present

M. Healy, G. Benson, D. Burdick, T. Hopkins, C. Crandall (*absent: A. McGraw*)

Others Present

L. Edwards, J. Margeson, M. Alger, C. Healy, B. Riehle, F. Sinclair, R. Starks, R. Whitney, K. Monroe, K. Graves, E. Ruckle, D. Hanchett, M. Barney, K. Slep, B. Kelley, B. LaValley, D. Vespucci, P. Curran, D. Fanton, G. Green

Public Safety Committee Chairman Dwight "Mike" Healy called the meeting to order at 11:03 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator Burdick and carried to approve the April 6, 2011, Public Safety Committee minutes and the April 20, 2011, Joint Public Safety Committee and Ways and Means Committee minutes.

Public Defender

Public Defender Barbara Kelley attended a regional meeting recently and the state is proposing funding for improvement in defense services. She will keep the committee informed.

Probation Director

Director Robert Starks provided a report detailing state budget funding cuts to probation. Regular State Aid will be cut 6.7%, Alternatives to Incarceration will be cut 7.9% and Probation Eligible Diversion will be cut 7.8% for a total loss of \$11,818 in 2011. He was asked how he will adjust his budget and he said he will use money from sex offender programs. Legislator Crandall noted that probation is one of the higher mandated programs.

Director of Emergency Management and Fire

In Director Luckey's absence due to attendance at training, Assistant Director Mike Barney passed out a Memorandum of Explanation requesting additional funding of \$2,600.00 for Gas/Oil due to increased usage of the vehicle assigned to Emergency Management. County Administrator John Margeson was asked about this. He stated that Director Luckey had talked with him and he was recommending that the committee approve \$3,000.00 additional funding to be transferred from contingency funds. **Refer to Ways and Means Committee**

Youth Bureau Director/STOP-DWI Coordinator

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Director Linda Edwards noted that the Youth Board Dinner was held recently and was very successful. Recognized were six youth from Allegany County who had given back to their community and/or overcome a challenge. Legislator Healy commented that he attended the dinner and wanted to commend Director Edwards on a job well done.

Director Edwards noted that final budget figures for the Youth Bureau have not yet been received from the State, but we were informed last week that we would be receiving a cut of 25% of our SDPP and YDDP funding. This will amount to around \$22,000.00. Legislator Hopkins suggested that a letter go out to all agencies informing them of the cuts so they can make adjustments as necessary.

District Attorney

District Attorney Keith Slep stated he had received a letter from the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals regarding unnecessary overnight jail stays and suggesting a need for \$10 million to increase indigent defense. He will keep the committee informed.

Weights and Measures Director

Director Gilbert Green commented that he continues to monitor gas pumps so that the public is getting what they are paying for.

Sheriff Rick Whitney

Sheriff Rick Whitney stated that a Corrections Officer is retiring at the end of the month and he is requesting permission to fill the position. A motion was made by Legislator Burdick, seconded by Legislator Hopkins and carried to fill the position.

Refer to John Margeson and Ways and Means Committee

Legislator Burdick stated in reviewing the Sheriff's Annual Report he saw mention of a Domestic Violence Program and he thought that ACCORD operated all DV Programs. Sheriff Whitney and Probation Director Starks noted that this is a treatment program for domestic violence offenders operated through the Probation Department and is co-facilitated by a professor from Alfred University and a Probation Officer.

Legislator Burdick also questioned Sheriff Whitney about a fire alarm at the County complex on 4/25/11. He noted that there was about a five minute delay from the initial alarm at the complex to the time the fire sirens were activated for the Belmont Fire Department. Lt. Hanchett stated that this was initially reported by the alarm company as a false alarm but after a second alarm went out, dispatch toned for the fire department.

Sheriff Whitney also noted that number of federal inmates is up and the number of local inmates is down.

New Business

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Legislators Healy and Sinclair spoke briefly about the communications project. All emergency system users have been interviewed, as well as the President of the Highway Superintendents Association and the Village of Wellsville. The committee will continue to gather information as they move toward a final report.

Legislator Fanton asked about preparation work for the Pingrey Hill Tower. He questioned who will be doing the site work and County Administrator John Margeson commented that SAIA is responsible for all work for the tower, then the county will purchase this after all is completed.

There was discussion with Legislator Sinclair about the frequencies on the core system and the use of discreet frequencies. Discussion will be held with SAIA regarding the grouping of frequencies.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the committee, a motion was made by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator Burdick, and carried to adjourn the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Edwards
Youth Bureau Director/STOP DWI Coordinator

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

May 23, 2011

**** NOT APPROVED ****

Committee Members Present

M. Healy, G. Benson, D. Burdick, T. Hopkins, C. Crandall, A. McGraw

Others Present

L. Edwards, J. Margeson, M. Alger, R. Whitney, K. Monroe, K. Graves, E. Ruckle, N. Ungermann, J. Luckey

Public Safety Committee Chairman Dwight "Mike" Healy called the meeting to order at 2:45 p.m.

Youth Bureau Director/STOP-DWI Coordinator

Director Linda Edwards provided a copy of the 2011 OCFS allocation figures. Funding was reduced by 25% from last year's allocations, so the Youth Board is recommending that allocations be cut by 25% across the board. This will impact the Youth Bureau budget which lost around \$3,000. Legislator Hopkins questioned how the department intends to cover that amount and Director Edwards replied that that will be addressed after the allocations are approved. The Rushford Lake Beach funding also lost about \$2,000. Three town/village summer recreation programs declined their funding for 2011, so their money has been re-allocated to the Beach and the overall loss was around \$600. A motion was made by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator Burdick and carried to approve the allocations as presented. **Refer to Ways and Means Committee**

Director Edwards also noted that OCFS has advised that allocations will likely again be reduced by 25% in 2012. The Youth Board will be surveying agencies for their thoughts for funding next year. Funding can either again be reduced or priorities can be established for funding fewer agencies.

Director Edwards advised the committee of proposed NYS Department of Health regulations for summer camps that would include town/village recreation programs. The proposals included background checks of all employees, evaluation of facilities used by programs, availability of medical staff for emergency needs, and restrictions of dangerous activities for children (kickball, dodgeball, etc.), among others. These regulations have been put on hold for a year while the Health Department investigates further. The Youth Board made a motion stating "The Allegany County Youth Board protests NYS Department of Health regulations that will cripple the ability of Youth Board-sponsored programs to offer such traditional and wholesome recreational activities as dodge ball and competitive relay games; and also protests regulations regarding medical supervision that are costly and impractical in a rural setting, especially in a period when state reimbursement for youth programming is declining." Legislators Crandall and Hopkins both pointed out that additional regulations proposed

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by the Health Department would make town/village summer recreation programs cost-prohibitive, and may result in recreation programs being eliminated. A motion was made by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator Benson and carried to protest additional unnecessary regulations by the NYS Department of Health for summer recreation programs. The committee requested that the resolution be forwarded to our state senator and assemblymen. **Resolution**

Director Edwards advised the committee that she had recently collaborated with Andover Central School on a pre-prom activity. An expanded Victim Impact Panel was presented for eleventh and twelfth graders and was well-received by the administration and students. At the end of the program students were asked to sign the Prom Promise.

Sheriff Rick Whitney

Sheriff Rick Whitney requested approval to enter into a contract with the NYS Department of Correctional Services' Office of Nutritional Services (DOCS-NS) located in Rome, NY, to procure food products for the period of July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2016. This contract will replace an existing contract with DOCS-NS which expires June 30, 2011. A motion was made by Legislator Burdick, seconded by Legislator Hopkins and carried to enter into this contract. **Resolution**

Sheriff Whitney requested approval to promote a Deputy Sheriff to Deputy Sergeant due to a retirement. A motion was made by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator Hopkins and carried to fill the position. County Administrator Margeson has already reviewed and approved the position. **Refer to Ways and Means Committee**

Sheriff Whitney requested the transfer of the unappropriated balance and expenses of the Fire Services account number 3410.427 to a new account number 3112.427. This account is used to fund utility expenses for the county's E-911 radio towers. The budget transfer is necessary as the E-911 Dispatch Center is now managed by the Sheriff's Office. A motion was made by Legislator Burdick, seconded by Legislator McGraw and carried to approve the transfer.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the committee, a motion was made by Legislator Burdick, seconded by Legislator Hopkins, and carried to adjourn the meeting at 2:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Edwards
Youth Bureau Director/STOP DWI Coordinator

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

June 1, 2011

**** NOT APPROVED ****

Committee Members Present

M. Healy, G. Benson, D. Burdick, T. Hopkins, C. Crandall (*absent: A. McGraw*)

Others Present

L. Edwards, J. Margeson, M. Alger, B. Riehle, R. Starks, R. Whitney, K. Monroe, K. Graves, E. Ruckle, D. Hanchett, B. Kelley, B. LaValley, , D. Fanton, W. Sortore, K. LaForge, J. Luckey, T. Miner

Public Safety Committee Chairman Dwight "Mike" Healy called the meeting to order at 11:06 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator Burdick and carried to approve the May 4, 2011, Public Safety Committee minutes. A motion was made by Legislator Burdick, seconded by Legislator Hopkins and carried to approve the May 23, 2011, Public Safety Committee minutes.

Public Defender

Public Defender Barbara Kelley met with a committee made up of the Sheriff's Department, Public Safety Chairman, and local justices to discuss the possibility of a local arraignment court to address the state's requirements for arraignments. The Sheriff was concerned that this would increase his department's costs considerably as they would be moving toward Holding Center requirements. This would require 24-hour staffing, along with a nurse on duty 24 hours. Ms. Kelley also felt that this would require Public Defenders to be added to her staff. She will be attending a meeting in Albany on Friday where she will be learning more about the grant process. Legislator Healy requested County Attorney Tom Miner check with other counties to see if a joint appeal of the current ruling to the federal level might be a possibility.

Probation Director

Director Robert Starks had nothing to report.

Director of Emergency Management and Fire

Director Jeff Luckey provided an update on flood damages, providing a copy of cost estimates from the April 25-29, May 13, and May 27 floods. The governor has requested a federal declaration for reimbursement of damages. Damages total around \$2.5 million for the three time frames. Director Luckey commented that the 5/27/2011 wind damage was caused by a microburst which ran from Nile to Belmont and included five towns, with Amity and Friendship seeing most of the damage. At the height of the storm, about 5,000 people were without power. A PDA workshop will be held at the

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Public Safety Facility in the near future to provide information on how to file paperwork to request reimbursement for damages.

Director Luckey also noted that he recently provided a tour of flood-damaged areas to Congressman Tom Reed

Legislator Curt Crandall complimented Director Luckey on the work he has done since being hired. A number of emergencies have happened in the last few months and he felt that Director Luckey has done a good job in handling them.

Youth Bureau Director/STOP-DWI Coordinator

Director Linda Edwards noted that a Youth Board member (James Cross) has resigned and she is requesting permission to appoint James Galatio of Cuba to the position. Legislator Healy commented that he has known Mr. Galatio for many years as a Police Officer and School Resource Officer and he feels Mr. Galatio would be a wonderful addition to the Board. Legislator Healy made a motion to appoint James Galatio to the Youth Board. This was seconded by Legislator Hopkins and carried.

Prepare Resolution

District Attorney

District Attorney Keith Slep was unable to attend the meeting as he was in a trial.

Weights and Measures Director

Director Gilbert Green was unable to attend the meeting but had nothing to report.

Sheriff Rick Whitney

Lt. Daniel Hanchett provided a report on the wind damage at the Public Safety Facility. He said that antennas on the top of the building were moved and a T1 line was lost. The Dispatch Center has three levels of redundancy and one level was maintained through the storm. Vendors including SAIA, the County Information Technology Department, Verizon and AK Associates were responsive to the emergency and 911 capability was never lost. Lt. Hanchett commented that the county IT Department did a wonderful job and went "above and beyond" in their response to the emergency. The entire system was working the next day. There was minor damage to the building and several vehicles in the parking lot and he noted that 96 pheasants were killed. There was some damage to the back-up center due to water leakage but there was no structural damage. In response to a question, Lt. Hanchett noted that the new system will be in operation by the end of June.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the committee, a motion was made by Legislator Burdick, seconded by Legislator Benson, and carried to adjourn the meeting at 11:36 a.m.

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Respectfully submitted,
Linda Edwards
Youth Bureau Director/STOP DWI Coordinator

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

June 13, 2011

**** NOT APPROVED ****

Committee Members Present

M. Healy, T. Hopkins, A. McGraw, C. Crandall (*absent: G. Benson, D. Burdick*)

Others Present

L. Edwards, K. LaForge, D. Fanton, N. Ungermann, P. Curran

Public Safety Committee Chairman Dwight "Mike" Healy called the meeting to order at 12:50 p.m.

Youth Bureau Director/STOP-DWI Coordinator

Director Linda Edwards requested a resolution approving the 2011 Resource Allocation Plan agreement with the Office of Children and Family Services in relation to the State's allocation of funds to the county for providing youth services under its Comprehensive Youth Services Plan. She requested that the Chairman of the Board be authorized to execute such Plan Agreement. A motion was made by Legislator McGraw, seconded by Legislator Hopkins and carried to approve the RAP and authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement. **Prepare Resolution**

Director Edwards also advised the committee that she is collaborating with 4-H Program Educator Michelle Sloat and Railroad Police Officer Tim Walsh to provide bicycle and railroad safety information in local schools. Presentations were made to fifth graders in Wellsville and Scio Schools last Friday. A bicycle safety presentation will be made to students at the Alfred Montessori School next week.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the committee, a motion was made by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator McGraw, and carried to adjourn the meeting at 12:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Edwards
Youth Bureau Director/STOP DWI Coordinator

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PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

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**** NOT APPROVED ****

Committee Members Present

C. Crandall, G. Benson, D. Burdick, M. Healy, T. Hopkins, (*absent: A. McGraw*)

Others Present

M. Alger, R. Christman, L. Edwards, D. Fanton, D. Hanchett, K. Graves, G. Green, B. Kelley, K. LaForge, B. LaValley, J. Luckey, J. Margeson, T. Miner, K. Monroe, S. Ozella, B. Riehle, E. Ruckle, F. Sinclair, K. Slep, R. Starks, R. Whitney

Public Safety Committee Chairman Dwight "Mike" Healy called the meeting to order at 11:02 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator Burdick and carried to approve the June 1, 2011, Public Safety Committee minutes. A motion was made by Legislator Benson, seconded by Legislator Burdick and carried to approve the June 13, 2011, Public Safety Committee minutes.

Public Defender

Public Defender Barbara Kelley requested permission to add a Second Assistant Public Defender position to her office. She referenced a letter sent to committee members prior to the meeting where she discussed the increasing workload due to obligations with town, village, county and family courts. The department must provide services in criminal courts, custody and visitation in family court and parole violations. Ms. Kelley suggested two options for supporting the position financially. She would like to apply for a grant from New York State and anticipates receiving \$15,000. She also suggested that her office assume responsibility for violations in Support Court. With the reimbursement rate of \$75.00 per hour, Ms. Kelley believes her office could receive a possible income of \$60,000. In response to a question, Ms. Kelley noted that the Assigned Counsel program would still be needed as conflicts are still probable. She feels that adding a third attorney would increase the efficiency of services. Legislator Burdick asked if County Administrator John Margeson had a response to the request and Ms. Kelley said he understands the need for the position. Several legislators asked about having a part-time position and Ms. Kelley responded that she does not feel this would be effective or efficient. This would limit the number of hours an attorney could provide and responsibilities could not be split evenly among the three attorneys. Also, she does feel that she would be able to find someone willing to work part-time. Legislator Crandall commented that he is leaning toward the possibility of creating a

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part-time position and added that the 2% tax cap and county obligations/mandates are a concern at this time. Legislator Burdick would like to see a better estimate of costs and revenues before discussing this further. Ms. Kelley reiterated the current mandates of her office and the need for additional help. Legislator Hopkins stated that he would recommend taking no action at this time in order to give committee members time to think about and discuss the request. The matter was tabled until next month.

Probation Director

Director Robert Starks made a request to transfer \$5,000.00 from Rentals to Personnel to cover the overtime costs related to Electronic Home Monitoring and home visits. The budgeted amount for overtime was reduced in this year's budget, so this amount is still less than in previous years. In response to a question, Director Starks noted that there are currently about 19 probationers on Electronic Home Monitoring and the probationers pay a monthly fee of \$15.00 to cover the cost of the monitoring equipment. A motion was made by Legislator Burdick, seconded by Legislator Hopkins and carried to transfer the requested amount. **Refer to Ways and Means Committee**

Probation Director Starks provided a copy of a chart of Allegany County Arrests from 2001 to 2010 which he obtained late last week. He has not had time to digest the information and would like to discuss this with the Alternatives to Incarceration Board. He will then come back to the committee with any recommendations.

Director of Emergency Management and Fire

Director Jeff Luckey provided two charts detailing damage estimates for the April 25-29, 2011 and May 13 and 27, 2011 floods. The April flood has been declared a federal emergency, but they are still waiting on the May damages. Money will be paid to municipal agencies but individuals must have foundation or first floor damage in order to qualify for reimbursement. Two workshops have been held for municipalities to instruct them on the paperwork.

Director Luckey showed committee members aerial pictures of flood and wind damage which were taken last weekend.

Youth Bureau Director/STOP-DWI Coordinator

Director Linda Edwards provided a copy of an article in the 4-H Clover Newsreel which talked about a bicycle safety program done in collaboration with the Youth Bureau, 4-H Program, WNY and PA Railroad and NYS Department of Transportation. This program was done in the Wellsville and Scio Schools and the Alfred Montessori School. This article was also released to the local newspapers.

District Attorney

District Attorney Keith Slep requested permission to adjust the Crime Victims Coordinator Salary from \$29,143 to \$30,194 effective 10/1/11 to 9/30/12. The position

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is funded through a three-year grant from the New York State Office of Victim Services which will end in September of 2012. There will be no additional cost to the county. Legislator Crandall commented that Shannon Ozella has been doing a great job in the position and he feels this is a reasonable request. A motion was made by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator Hopkins and carried to increase the salary as requested.

Refer to Ways and Means Committee

Weights and Measures Director

Director Gilbert Green noted that he recently attended the State Weights and Measures Conference and noted that a new state director has been appointed.

Sheriff Rick Whitney

Sheriff Rick Whitney stated that he and several members of his staff recently toured the SAIA Communications facility and the Erie County 911 Center.

In response to a question, Lt. Hanchett stated that the Pingrey Hill Tower is moving forward and he is working with the power companies on clean electric to the site. The County DPW will pouring the pads in the near future and electric will be installed. Legislator Sinclair provided a brief explanation of clean electric.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the committee, a motion was made by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator Benson, and carried to adjourn the meeting at 11:53 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Edwards
Youth Bureau Director/STOP DWI Coordinator

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
August 3, 2011

**** NOT APPROVED ****

Committee Members Present

G. Benson, D. Burdick, M. Healy, T. Hopkins, A. McGraw (*absent: C. Crandall*)

Others Present

M. Alger, D. Cady, L. Edwards, D. Hanchett, K. Graves, G. Green, B. Kelley, B. LaValley, J. Luckey, J. Margeson, T. Miner, K. Monroe, B. Riehle, E. Ruckle, F. Sinclair, R. Starks, R. Swarthout, R. Whitney

Public Safety Committee Chairman Dwight "Mike" Healy called the meeting to order at 11:03 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator Burdick and carried to approve the July 6, 2011, Public Safety Committee minutes.

Public Defender

Public Defender Barbara Kelley re-opened discussion of adding a Second Assistant Public Defender position to her office. The need is justified but the question is how to pay for the position. Ms. Kelley is again requesting a full-time position to alleviate the excessive caseload. She feels there is a possible ethics issue due to continuing to maintain excessive caseloads. A question was asked about office space for another attorney and Ms. Kelley suggested that using the office being used currently by the construction staff would be a possible solution. A question was asked about the possibility of using a paralegal, but Ms. Kelley responded that this is not a solution as they cannot appear in court. A question was asked about the qualifications for individuals needing Public Defender services and Ms. Kelley said that their income must not exceed 125% of poverty level. Her office reviews all applications for approval. John Margeson commented that he would like to see research done regarding support violation numbers to see if this would be a feasible way of providing income to support the position. Ms. Kelley will contact the Assigned Counsel Office to get that information and will bring this back to the committee for further discussion.

Probation Director

Director Robert Starks stated that he had received information from the state regarding grant funding to support the Shared Services Program. The state will be providing funding in the amount of \$22,338.00 to support the salary and benefits of the Forensic Case Coordinator employed by the Allegany County Jail. Director Starks requested permission to accept the grant. A motion was made by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator Burdick and carried to accept the funds and authorize Chairman Crandall to sign the contract. **Refer to Ways and Means Committee**

August, 2011

Director Starks mentioned that the ATI Board met last week and will meet again on the fourth Wednesday in October. The board members were provided quarterly reports and also discussed the status of the cognitive thinking group.

Legislator Sinclair asked if there is any financial reimbursement from the state for referrals made to Literacy West for probation clients. Director Starks was not aware of any but will check into this.

Director of Emergency Management and Fire

Director Jeff Luckey reported that FEMA continues to work in the county. They have denied coverage for the 5/13/11 event, but \$1 million has been added to events already approved.

Youth Bureau Director/STOP-DWI Coordinator

Director Linda Edwards reported that when the OCFS programs and appropriations were previously approved, wording in the resolution was inadvertently left out to appropriate ten programs. A motion was made by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator McGraw and carried to appropriate the highlighted program awards for 2011 from the NYS Office of Children and Family Services. *(This will correct Resolution 107-11 for appropriation of funds to the 2011 budget.)* **Refer to Ways and Means Committee**

District Attorney

District Attorney Keith Slep was unable to attend the meeting and had nothing new to report.

Weights and Measures Director

Director Gilbert Green had nothing new to report.

Sheriff Rick Whitney

Sheriff Rick Whitney requested funds for a backup power generator set for the E911 radio tower on Pingrey Hill. Due to a miscommunication with SAIA, this was not included in the original request. A motion was made by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator Hopkins, and carried to request funding in the amount of \$3,590.00 for the backup power generator set. **Refer to Ways and Means Committee**

Sheriff Whitney requested permission to eliminate the Emergency Communication Coordinator position and to establish a new Emergency Services Dispatcher position. With the reorganization of the E911 Dispatch Center, the E911 Coordinator position is no longer required. The current E911 Coordinator has been filling the role of Emergency Services Dispatcher for the past six months. A motion was made by Legislator McGraw, seconded by Legislator Healy and carried to eliminate the Coordinator position and establish a dispatcher position.

August, 2011

Sheriff Whitney requested approval to hire five new part-time E911 Emergency Service Dispatchers to fill vacancies in the part-time staffing. A motion was made by Legislator Burdick, seconded by Legislator Hopkins and carried to hire five part-time dispatchers. **Refer to Ways and Means Committee**

Sheriff Whitney requested approval to hire a full-time C-line nurse when a qualified candidate is available, due to the resignation of Anne Williams. A motion was made by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator McGraw and carried to hire a nurse for the C-line. **Refer to Ways and Means Committee**

Sheriff Whitney noted that the Pingrey Hill tower is underway and should be completed by 9/1/11.

Sheriff Whitney was asked about the status of texting fire/ambulance calls and Lt. Hanchett replied that this is a work in progress.

Lt. Hanchett noted that academy training for dispatchers will include the back-up facility and they will be rotated there so everyone continues to be familiar with the equipment.

New Business

A request has been made by PPAC (Partners for Prevention in Allegany County) for time in mid-September or after to present the results of the GIS mapping information regarding alcohol density to the Public Safety Committee. It was decided to schedule a special meeting prior to a board meeting and notification of that date will be made at a later time.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the committee, a motion was made by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator Burdick and carried to adjourn the meeting at 11:36 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Edwards
Youth Bureau Director/STOP DWI Coordinator

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
September 7, 2011

**** NOT APPROVED ****

Committee Members Present

G. Benson, D. Burdick, M. Healy, T. Hopkins, C. Crandall (*absent: A. McGraw*)

Others Present

M. Alger, L. Edwards, D. Fanton, D. Hanchett, K. Graves, G. Green, B. Kelley, K. LaForge, B. LaValley, J. Luckey, J. Margeson, T. Miner, K. Monroe, B. Riehle, D. Roorbach, E. Ruckle, F. Sinclair, K. Slep, W. Sortore, R. Starks, R. Swarhout, D. Vespucci, R. Whitney

Newspapers Present

B. Quinn

Public Safety Committee Chairman Dwight "Mike" Healy called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Legislator Burdick, seconded by Legislator Hopkins and carried to approve the August 3, 2011, Public Safety Committee minutes.

Public Defender

Public Defender Barbara Kelley stated that she would be bringing a formal request to the October Public Safety meeting to create and fill a Second Assistant Public Defender position. In response to a question, Ms. Kelley responded that if her office covered the support violations, possible income of \$48,000 could be generated. County Administrator John Margeson commented that money has been put in the 2012 budget for the position. He added that there would be savings in the Assigned Counsel Program if support violations were moved to the Public Defender Office. Mr. Margeson noted that the office is in need of additional help.

Probation Director

Director Robert Starks had nothing new to report.

Director of Emergency Management and Fire

Director Jeff Luckey reported that he was deployed to Greene and Schoharie Counties during Hurricane Irene to provide support services. Allegany County fire units responded to Rockland, Greene and Schoharie Counties. A total of over 1600 man hours were provided by all Allegany County responders. In response to a question he noted that many counties had to go to secondary communications, but most radio communications continued to operate. There was a good response from FEMA. Director Luckey also spoke briefly about Hurricane Lee and the possibility of up to 6 to 9 inches of rain tonight. His experience during Hurricane Irene will be helpful to him to determine appropriate response if this does occur.

Youth Bureau Director/STOP-DWI Coordinator

Director Linda Edwards had nothing new to report.

District Attorney

District Attorney Keith Slep requested funding of \$3,000 from contingency to A1190.429 Stenographer/Transcripts to cover a shortfall in appropriations. A motion was made by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator Hopkins and carried to approve the request for additional funds. **Refer to Ways and Means**

Weights and Measures Director

Director Gilbert Green noted that gas stations have re-opened in Andover and Belmont. He was asked about the status of the truck stop in Belvidere, but he has not heard anything.

Sheriff Rick Whitney

Sheriff Rick Whitney requested approval to hire a new part-time E-911 Enumerator who would work about four hours a week as needed. A motion was made by Legislator Burdick, seconded by Legislator Hopkins and carried to approve filling the position. **Refer to Ways and Means**

Sheriff Whitney noted that a question about the three corrections officer positions approved at the 1/24/11 Public Safety meeting was resolved prior to this meeting.

Sheriff Whitney provided a written report about department activities in the last month. Income of \$173,000 was received for the month which is the lowest in 2011 due to a lower number of housed inmates. The department will be partnering with Literacy West and other agencies on a grant opportunity to improve ability to transition persons incarcerated back into the community. This will involve a trip to Washington, DC. A grant review meeting was held with representatives from Albany regarding the Forensic Clinical Coordinator position. The meeting was very positive and the department has been invited to Albany to make a presentation regarding the program. There were no major incidents at the jail in the last month.

Lt. Hanchett reported that the pads are done for the Ackerman Hill Tower and temporary power is installed. SAIA is now working on the tower. The tower at Pingrey Hill is halfway up. Low band equipment has been moved from the tower in Alma to Angelica. The department will be applying for a grant for high band. Legislator Healy commented he is very happy with the progress of the towers.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the committee, a motion was made by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator Benson and carried to adjourn the meeting at 11:44 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Edwards
Youth Bureau Director/STOP DWI Coordinator

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
October 5, 2011

**** NOT APPROVED ****

Committee Members Present

G. Benson, D. Burdick, M. Healy, T. Hopkins, C. Crandall (*absent: A. McGraw*)

Others Present

M. Alger, L. Edwards, P. Fogarty, K. Graves, K. LaForge, J. Luckey, T. Miner, K. Monroe, B. Riehle, E. Ruckle, F. Sinclair, K. Slep, R. Starks

Public Safety Committee Chairman Dwight "Mike" Healy called the meeting to order at 11:04 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator Burdick and carried to approve the September 7, 2011, Public Safety Committee minutes.

Public Defender

Assistant Public Defender Patricia Fogarty presented a request to create the position of Second Assistant Public Defender. The department is proposing supporting the position financially through funding from the Indigent Legal Services Fund and handling violations from Support Court currently being done through the Assigned Counsel Office. A question was asked about office space for a new position and Ms. Fogarty proposed using the office which had most recently been used by the construction manager for the courthouse. A motion was made by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator Hopkins and carried to create the position of Second Assistant Public Defender effective 1/1/12. **Refer to Personnel Committee and Court Facilities and Space Needs Committee**

Probation Director

Director Robert Starks stated that the ACCORD Corporation has received a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice's Office of Violence against Women. Part of the grant will be used by the Probation Department to assist the Sex Offender Program in providing polygraphs for sex offenders and for overtime costs for officers to conduct after-hour home visits. The polygraphs are not court-ordered but are a tool used in the treatment program. Director Starks requested acceptance of the grant in the amount of \$19,800.00 for the grant years 10/1/11 to 9/30/14. A motion was made by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator Burdick and carried to accept the grant funding and authorize Chairman Crandall to sign any necessary paperwork. **Refer to Ways and Means Committee**

Director Starks stated that Literacy West received a grant from January to June of 2012 from the Open Society Foundation to provide assessment, education, career exploration and planning, job training, and case management for individuals who are on pre-trial or probation supervision and for individuals who are reentering the community

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from the jail. The Probation Department will be provided funding in the amount of \$5,584.00 to cover any overtime costs associated with facilitating a second Thinking for a Change group for this population. Director Starks is requesting acceptance of this funding. A motion was made by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator Hopkins and carried to accept the grant funding and authorize Chairman Crandall to sign any necessary paperwork. **Refer to Ways and Means Committee**

Director of Emergency Management and Fire

Director Jeff Luckey requested acceptance of a Homeland Security Grant in the amount of \$57,672.00. The Health Department portion of the grant in the amount of \$14,250.00 will be used to purchase an Incident Command accountability ID system and portable generator with lights for use during Public Health emergencies. The Emergency Services portion of the grant in the amount of \$43,422.00 will be used to purchase a CBRNE Mobile Command Vehicle, which will also be the Director's vehicle. A motion was made by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator Benson and carried to accept the grant. **Refer to Ways and Means Committee**

Director Luckey had nothing new to report on Storms Irene and Lee.

Director Luckey reported that he attended Smoky Sunday and a dorm drill at Alfred University and in late October will be attending a hospital drill.

Youth Bureau Director/STOP-DWI Coordinator

Director Linda Edwards requested approval of the 2012 STOP-DWI Plan in the amount of \$138,132.00. A motion was made by Legislator Burdick, seconded by Legislator Healy and carried to approve the plan. *(The Plan is attached.)* **Refer to Ways and Means Committee**

Director Edwards noted that the Annual Fall SADD Conference is being held on 10/18/11 on the topic of alcohol use/abuse. The day will include a mock DWI crash, alcohol educational information, legal information and a Victim Impact Panel. All committee members have been invited to attend.

District Attorney

District Attorney Keith Slep requested funding of \$3,000 from contingency to A1165.433 Special Prosecutor to cover a shortfall in appropriations. A motion was made by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator Hopkins and carried to approve the request for additional funds. **Refer to Ways and Means**

DA Slep requested approval to replace a temporary employee position with a permanent employee as of 11/1/11. The position was filled on a temporary basis pending the availability of his law office secretary. A motion was made by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator Hopkins and carried to approve the permanent position.

Weights and Measures Director

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Director Gilbert Green was unable to attend the meeting but requested permission to transfer funds between accounts for printing of stickers. A motion was made by Legislator Burdick, seconded by Legislator Hopkins and carried to approve the transfer. **Prepare Resolution**

Undersheriff Kevin Monroe

Undersheriff Kevin Monroe requested approval to transfer the Fire Police van from the county to the Belmont Fire Department. The Fire Department has agreed to take responsibility for making the van available to any county department as needed. A motion was made by Legislator Burdick, seconded by Legislator Hopkins and carried to transfer the van to the Belmont Fire Department.

Undersheriff Monroe requested a transfer of funds in the amount of \$17,500.00 between accounts to cover costs for vehicle repairs and gas and oil. A motion was made by Legislator Burdick, seconded by Legislator Hopkins and carried to approve the transfer.

Undersheriff Monroe noted that they received \$207,000 for housing outside prisoners last month. The number of prisoners from the Marshall Service and ICE is up again. They are also housing between five and eight female prisoners from Wyoming County.

Undersheriff Monroe noted that the department will be receiving money from the grants from ACCORD and Literacy West noted above by the Probation Department. Further information will be coming in the future.

The Pingrey Hill tower will be going up next week. They are still waiting for information on the radio grant.

New Business

Legislator Fred Sinclair provided a report on the purpose of the Literacy West grant.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the committee, a motion was made by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator Benson and carried to adjourn the meeting at 11:44 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Edwards
Youth Bureau Director/STOP DWI Coordinator

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
November 2, 2011

**** NOT APPROVED ****

Committee Members Present

G. Benson, D. Burdick, M. Healy, A. McGraw (*Absent: C. Crandall, T. Hopkins*)

Others Present

M. Alger, M. Barney, D. Cady, L. Edwards, D. Fanton, K. Graves, D. Hanchett, B. Kelley, B. LaValley, J. Margeson, T. Miner, B. Riehle, E. Ruckle, F. Sinclair, K. Slep, R. Starks, D. Vespucci, R. Whitney

Public Safety Committee Chairman Dwight "Mike" Healy called the meeting to order at 11:03 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Legislator Burdick, seconded by Legislator Benson and carried to approve the October 5, 2011, Public Safety Committee minutes with the correction that the District Attorney's secretary will start on 12/1/11.

Public Defender

Public Defender Barbara Kelley had nothing new to report.

Probation Director

Director Robert Starks reported on the recent Alternatives to Incarceration meeting. The Thinking for a Change program continues to operate. He mentioned the STAR Program, a comprehensive support, education and workforce skills program for those involved in the criminal justice system, which involves Probation, Jail, and Employment and Training staff along with other outside agencies. STAR Program information is attached.

Director Starks mentioned that he will be going to Albany to attend a Quality Assurance meeting with six other counties. They will be talking about shared services programs and how those programs are managed.

Director Starks mentioned that an Edward Byrne Justice Grant is accepting applications. He would like to apply in order to purchase cell phones for his staff to use outside the office while making home visits, while in satellite offices and for curfew checks. A motion was made by Legislator Burdick, seconded by Legislator McGraw and carried to authorize Director Starks to proceed with the Byrne Grant application.

Director of Emergency Management and Fire

Deputy Director Mike Barney attended in Director Luckey's absence and had nothing new to report.

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Director Linda Edwards requested acceptance of a STEPS in Safety Grant (Safety on Wheels) from the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee, grant year 10/1/11 to 9/30/12, in the amount of \$2,400. This amount is \$600 less than received in previous years due to cuts in federal funding. Director Edwards noted that the County Traffic Safety Board has voted to provide \$600 for the purchase of bicycle helmets and for Public Service Announcements, in order to keep the total bicycle safety budget at \$3,000. A motion was made by Legislator Benson, seconded by Legislator McGraw to accept the grant. **Refer to Ways and Means Committee**

Director Edwards noted that the Annual Fall SADD Conference was held on 10/28/11 on the topic of alcohol use/abuse. The day was very successful, with very positive evaluations. Suggestions were made to repeat the day's events every other year and to approach the local colleges to make this a part of freshmen orientation.

District Attorney

District Attorney Keith Slep requested approval for his permanent secretary, who starts on 12/1/11, to start at Grade 3, Step 3. He noted that there is precedent for this. County Administrator John Margeson commented that this is appropriate as the secretary has sufficient experience to allow her to hit the ground running. Several individuals commented on their knowledge of the experience level of the secretary. A motion was made by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator McGraw and carried to approve starting the position at Grade 3, Step 3.

Weights and Measures Director

Director Gilbert Green was unable to attend the meeting and had nothing new to report.

Sheriff Rick Whitney

Sheriff Rick Whitney provided his monthly report. He noted that the monthly income for housing out prisoners was \$221,000. The average daily population was 140, with average housed-in of 74.5 and county inmates of 66. The pheasant and garden projects this year were very successful. The Working Inmate Program assisted the Wellsville Police Department in moving police records into a new storage building. The Jail Administration has started to review and prepare for the 2012 Immigrations and Customs Enforcement annual inspection.

Sheriff Whitney requested authorization to execute a contract between the State of New York – Unified Court System and Allegany County, for the period 4/1/11 to 3/31/12, in the amount of \$405,200 for security for the court system. A motion was made by Legislator Burdick, seconded by Legislator Healy and carried to approve the contract. **Prepare Resolution**

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Sheriff Whitney requested approval to fill an E-911 Dispatcher position. A motion was made by Legislator Burdick, seconded by Legislator McGraw and carried to fill an E-911 Dispatcher Position. **Refer to Ways and Means Committee**

Sheriff Whitney requested approval to purchase a new E-911 recording system. The proposed system includes a recorder for the primary E-911 center and one for the backup E-911 center. Sheriff Whitney and Lt. Dan Hanchett noted that the old system is full and is outdated.

The cost of the system is \$52,124.40, with the Sheriff's Department able to find about \$32,000 in funding in their budget. They are requesting the additional funding from contingency. A motion was made by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator Burdick and carried to purchase a new E-911 recording system and authorization to transfer the required cost from surplus and contingency in an as yet unspecified amount. **Refer to Ways and Means Committee and Prepare Resolution**

Sheriff Whitney requested approval to create and fill a new part-time E-911 Enumerator position to be used as needed. A motion was made by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator McGraw and carried to create and fill a new part-time E-911 Enumerator position. **Prepare Resolution**

In response to a question Lt. Hanchett stated that the new radio system is moving forward quickly. Three towers are up and running, one should be ready today, and the Pingrey Hill tower should be ready soon. The narrow band system needs to be operational by 1/1/14 according to FCC regulations.

Executive Session

At 11:40 a.m. a motion was made by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator Burdick and carried to go into executive session for a discussion of personnel and contractual matters. At 11:55 a.m. a motion was made by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator Burdick and carried to end the executive session.

Sheriff Rick Whitney

A motion was made by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator Benson and carried to abolish three (3) Deputy Sheriff positions and create three (3) Correction Officer positions and to approve filling the Correction Officer positions with the concurrence of the Ways and Means Committee. **Prepare Resolution**

A motion was made by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator Benson and carried to temporarily fill a Sergeant position currently vacant due to medical leave. **Refer to Ways and Means Committee**

A motion was made by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator McGraw and carried to fill two (2) Deputy Sheriff positions agreed upon in the current collective bargaining agreement. **Refer to Ways and Means Committee**

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Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the committee, a motion was made by Legislator Burdick, seconded by Legislator McGraw and carried to adjourn the meeting at 12:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Edwards
Youth Bureau Director/STOP DWI Coordinator

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
November 28, 2011

**** NOT APPROVED ****

Committee Members Present: M. Healy, G. Benson, D. Burdick, T. Hopkins, C. Crandall (Absent: A. McGraw)

Others Present: M. Alger, V. Grant, J. Margeson, T. Miner, K. Monroe, B. Riehle, K. Slep, R. Starks, R. Whitney

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m. by Public Safety Committee Chairman Dwight "Mike" Healy.

Attorney/Client Session

A motion was made by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator Healy and carried to enter into attorney/client session at 10:04 a.m. (Voting No: D. Burdick). Immediately following discussion at 10:30 a.m., a motion was made by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator Healy and carried to end the attorney/client session and return to the regular meeting.

Deputy Sheriff Position

County Administrator John Margeson presented a request on behalf of Sheriff Rick Whitney to fill a vacant Deputy Sheriff (Council 82, Local 3989) position to man the magnetometer that will be located on the Ground Floor entrance to the County Office Building. The request was approved on a motion by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator Benson and carried. (Voting No: D. Burdick)

Refer to Ways & Means

Correction Officer Position

Mr. Margeson also requested a resolution on behalf of Sheriff Whitney creating a position of Correction Officer (Council 82, Local 3989). It was noted that the request to fill this position should be referred to the Ways & Means Committee. The request was approved on a motion by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator Hopkins and carried. (Voting No: D. Burdick) **Prepare Resolution to Come off the Floor at the November 28 Board Meeting, Refer to Ways & Means for Filling of Position Contingent on Passage of Resolution**

Adjournment:

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:31 a.m. following a motion made by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator Benson and carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Brenda Rigby Riehle, Clerk of the Board
Allegany County Board of Legislators

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
December 7, 2011

**** NOT APPROVED ****

Committee Members Present

G. Benson, D. Burdick, C. Crandall, M. Healy, T. Hopkins (*Absent: A. McGraw*)

Others Present

M. Alger, M. Barney, L. Edwards, D. Fanton, K. Graves, D. Hanchett, B. Kelley, K. LaForge, B. LaValley, J. Luckey, J. Margeson, K. Monroe, T. Miner, B. Riehle, F. Sinclair, K. Slep, R. Sortore, R. Starks, D. Vespucci, R. Whitney

Public Safety Committee Chairman Dwight "Mike" Healy called the meeting to order at 11:13 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Legislator Burdick, seconded by Legislator Hopkins and carried to approve the November 2, 2011, Public Safety Committee minutes with the correction that the upgrade of the District Attorney's secretary will occur on 1/1/12.

Public Defender

Public Defender Barbara Kelley reported that she is in the process of interviewing candidates for the Second Assistant Public Defender position. Twenty applications were received and she expects to make a decision by the end of the year.

Probation Director

Director Robert Starks reported he recently attended a State Shared Services meeting in Albany. Of the six entities Allegany County had the lowest cost per person.

Director Starks mentioned that he has submitted an Edward Byrne Justice Grant and anticipates a decision by mid-January. He has requested funding for cell phones, alco-sensors and flashlights.

Director Starks noted that his office participated in a recent sex offender sweep done by the federal marshal service. Lt. Dan Hanchett noted that six arrests resulted from this sweep.

Director Starks requested permission to accept an award of \$10,319.00 from the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee Ignition Interlock Device Monitoring project and authorize Chairman Crandall to sign the contract. He noted that his department has received court orders for 57 Ignition Interlock Devices with 15 installed. A motion was made by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator Burdick and carried to accept the award. **Refer to Ways and Means Committee**

Director of Emergency Management and Fire

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Director Jeff Luckey reported on a recent meeting of the EMS Council. There were some concerns about the radio system, and tones have been corrected. County Administrator John Margeson asked about the authority of the EMS Council and Deputy Director Barney responded that this is an advisory council, but it is mandated by the state.

Director Luckey noted that he has been notified of an upcoming Homeland Security Grant and he is in the process of reviewing the requirements. He anticipates applying for about \$16,000.

Legislator Burdick asked about radios for town highway departments and Director Luckey commented that these were applied for through a Southern Tier West grant.

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Director Linda Edwards reported that her office has been filing reimbursement requests with the Office of Child and Family Services. Out of 38 programs, only three remain outstanding with a total of about \$4,400 remaining to be paid by the state.

Director Edwards reminded everyone of the Cookie and Wassail Day on Monday, December 12, 2011, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

District Attorney

District Attorney Keith Slep thanked everyone for their assistance in his transition to his position and wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Weights and Measures Director

Director Gilbert Green was unable to attend the meeting and had nothing new to report.

Sheriff Rick Whitney

Sheriff Rick Whitney provided his monthly report. He noted that the monthly income for housing out prisoners was \$216,000. The average daily population was 135, with average housed-in of 74 and county inmates of 61. Five officers attended a two day jail time calculation school and two officers attend a Glock Armor School. He noted that his office had received notice of a claim against the county. The new floor machine has been received.

Sheriff Whitney requested permission to hire a part-time confidential secretary due to a resignation. A motion was made by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator Healy and carried to fill the position. **Refer to Ways and Means Committee**

Sheriff Whitney requested approval to renew a contract with Genesee County for prisoner housing. Legislator Graves suggested that a study of housing rates be done to

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determine if our rates are current. Legislator Sinclair suggested that the Sheriff talk with ICE about using their charter. A motion was made by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator Benson and carried to authorize the contract with Genesee County.

Sheriff Whitney requested approval to temporarily fill two correction officer positions to backfill positions made vacant by the temporary promotion of a corrections officer and a vacancy created by a corrections officer who will be on temporary leave to attend the basic police academy. A motion was made by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator Hopkins and carried to fill two positions. **Refer to Ways and Means Committee**

Sheriff Whitney also thanked everyone for help with the transition to his position.

In response to a question, Lt. Hanchett noted that the radio system is moving forward. Legislator Sinclair made a request that whenever possible the equipment be IP addressable.

New Business

The Fire Advisory Board requested approval of appointments to the Board for 2012. A motion was made by Legislator Burdick, seconded by Legislator Hopkins and carried to approve the list as presented.

The Traffic Safety Board requested approval of appointments to the Board for 2012. A correction needs to be made to the address of Gary Fries. A motion was made by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator Hopkins and carried to approve the list as presented.

Legislator Burdick noted that several board members attended the Town Highway Annual Meeting the day before and they had a good time.

Committee Chairman Healy thanked the Department Heads for their hard work this year.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the committee, a motion was made by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator Benson and carried to adjourn the meeting at 11:53 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Edwards
Youth Bureau Director/STOP DWI Coordinator