

PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES  
Monday, July 12, 2010

The Public Safety and Emergency Services Committee of the Broome County Legislature met on Monday, July 12, 2010 in the Legislative Conference Room, Sixth Floor, Edwin L. Crawford County Office Building, Binghamton, New York.

Members Present: R. Materese (Chair), M. Diffendorf, J. Marinich, S. Messina

Members Absent: M. Whalen

Others Present: P. Brennan (County Executive's); M. Kalka (Budget/Finance); M. Gerchman (Budget); G. Mollen (District Attorney); D. Harder (Sheriff); D. Jensen (Public); S. Buchta, D. Moran, W. Howard, C. Marion, J. Royer (Legislature)

The Committee meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 5:03 P.M. A motion was made to move the agenda by Ms. Messina, seconded by Mr. Marinich.

The Committee took the following action with regard to the matters before it:

#14 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MEMORANDUMS OF UNDERSTANDING WITH VARIOUS BROOME COUNTY HOME HEALTH CARE AGENCIES FOR THE BROOME COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Ms. Messina stated that before she could vote on this, she would require clarification about whether the information would only be used during an emergency.

Carried. Ayes-3, Nays-1 (Messina)

#16 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE AGREEMENT WITH TIOGA COUNTY FOR HOUSING OF BROOME COUNTY PRISONERS FOR THE OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF FOR 2010-2011

The Sheriff clarified that this agreement is only used if necessary and that outboarding is primarily an issue when an employee or family member is arrested than for overcrowding issues. This happens rarely and there is a mutual agreement with Tioga County which keeps costs even.

Carried. Ayes-4, Nays-0

#17 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE AGREEMENT WITH WATCH SYSTEMS FOR A CENTRAL SEX OFFENDERS REGISTRY FOR THE OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF FOR 2010-2011

Sheriff Harder clarified that this is only for convicted sex offenders and that a post card is mailed out to a certain radius depending on the type of area (residential, suburban, etc). Sheriff Harder stated that the schools are also notified that a sex offender has moved into the school district.

Carried. Ayes-4, Nays-0.

#18 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE AID TO PROSECUTION GRANT FOR THE OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY AND ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2010-2011

Carried. Ayes-4, Nays-0.

#23 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR A JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT JOINTLY WITH THE CITY OF BINGHAMTON

It was stated that the grant is to focus mainly on increasing police presence in Columbus and Recreation parks.

Carried. Ayes-4, Nays-0

#48 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF THE OPERATION IMPACT II PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY AND ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2010-2011.

Mr. Mollen stated that they just received a letter regarding receipt of this award. He had to have a discussion with the state to get them to cover the fringe benefits since the County Legislature has stated that they will not cover a cent of this extra position. Impact is closely linked with the police agencies for targeted street enforcement. They do have someone with experience in mind.

Carried. Ayes-4, Nays-0.

There being no further business to come before the Committee at this time, a motion was made by Mr. Marinich, seconded by Ms. Messina, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 5:28 P.M.