

**MINUTES OF THE ONEIDA COUNTY
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING
April 13, 2023**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Mike Timmons, Tom Kelly, Chairperson Steven Schreier, and Diana Harris (arrived at 9:31 a.m.)

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: Russ Fisher (excused)

OTHERS PRESENT: Keith Troutman (Bubba's), Karilyne Roberts and Gerry Van Harpen (Hodag Country Festival), Tracy Hartman (County Clerk), Captain Terri Hook (ONSO), Jean Meyer (Branch I), Luke Johnson and Crystal Schaub (Medical Examiner), Shari Gorney and Mike Fugle (Corporation Counsel), Brenda Behrle (Clerk of Courts), Amy Franzen (Probate), Heidi Ihn (District Attorney), Karrin Farrenkopf (OCHD), Patti Finlan (Branch II), Neal Wozniak (Northway Communications)

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Schreier called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. at the Oneida County Courthouse Committee Room #2, stated the meeting notice had been posted and mailed in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law and noted accommodations would be made for handicap accessibility.

APPROVE AGENDA

MOTION: To approve the Agenda, with the ability to move through items at chairperson's discretion (Kelly/Timmons, PASSED).

APPROVE PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

MOTION: To approve the March 9, 2023 Public Safety Committee Meeting Minutes (Timmons/Kelly, PASSED).

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

SCHEDULE COMMITTEE MEETING DATE(S)

The next meeting was scheduled for May 11, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.

BILLS, VOUCHERS AND LINE ITEM TRANSFERS FOR PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENTS

MOTION: To approve bills, vouchers, and line item transfers for Public Safety Departments (Timmons/Kelly, PASSED).

LARGE ASSEMBLY APPLICATIONS

Bubba's Big Party Large Assembly – Keith Troutman

Timmons asked if the Oneida County Sheriff's Office or the Oneida County Health Department had any concerns regarding this event. Captain Hook had no concerns and Karrin Farrenkopf of the Health Department had no concerns.

Timmons asked about the insurance for the event. Clerk Hartman advised the insurance has always been turned in on time and had no concerns.

MOTION: To approve the Large Assembly Application for Bubba's Big Party (Kelly/Harris, PASSED).

Bubba's Bog Bash Large Assembly – Keith Troutman

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MOTION: To approve the Large Assembly Application for Bubba's Bog Bash (Timmons/Kelly, PASSED).

Hodag Country Festival Large Assembly – Hodag '50' Inc.

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Timmons asked about the insurance for the event. Clerk Hartman advised the insurance has always been turned in on time and had no concerns.

MOTION: To approve the Large Assembly Application for Hodag Country Festival (Timmons/Kelly, PASSED).

CORPORATION COUNSEL

Corporation Counsel to attend the Wisconsin Association of County Corporation Counsels Spring Conference in Green Bay May 4, 2023 and May 5, 2023

Fugle was asking for approval to attend the Corporation Counsel Wisconsin Association of County Corporation Counsels Spring Conference in Green Bay May 4, 2023 and May 5, 2023. There will be mileage and hotel costs, which are in the budget. Fugle noted he would get seven credits for continuing legal education.

MOTION: To approve Fugle to attend the Corporation Counsel Wisconsin Association of County Corporation Counsels Spring Conference in Green Bay May 4, 2023 and May 5, 2023. (Kelly/Harris, PASSED).

Corporation Counsel to attend the Commission on Children, Families, and the Courts meeting May 31, 2023

Fugle advised he was appointed to the Commission as a Corporation Counsel Representative. There is no cost to the county for Fugle to attend.

MOTION: To approve Fugle to attend the Corporation Counsel Commission on Children, Families, and the Courts meeting May 31, 2023 (Harris/Kelly, PASSED).

DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Approval for Rebekah Meier to attend the Wisconsin Victim Witness Professional's Annual Conference May 10-12, 2023

Heidi Ihn was asking for approval for Rebekah Meier to attend the Wisconsin Victim Witness Professional's Annual Conference May 10-12, 2023. Ihn stated this is in the budget to pay registration and mileage. The state pays for the hotel. Conference will take place in Lake Geneva.

MOTION: To approve Rebekah Meier to attend the Wisconsin Victim Witness Professional's Annual Conference May 10-12, 2023 (Harris/Kelly, PASSED).

CIRCUIT COURT BRANCH II

Authorize law clerk to terminate contract early to begin at State Public Defender on May 22, 2023

Jean Meyer stated the current law clerk will be terminating their contract eight days early as they are taking a new position with the Public Defender's Office. Discussion was held regarding current applicants for the law clerk position and who would be conducting the interviews.

MOTION: To authorize early termination of law clerk contract so law clerk can begin new position at State Public Defender's Office on May 22, 2023 (Timmons/Kelly, PASSED).

Authorize Courts to use cost savings from early termination of law clerk contract to appoint and employ a temporary small claims mediator

Meyer and Fugle presented that they would like to use the money from the law clerk position to hire a private attorney who would be employed as the temporary small claims mediator until a new law clerk is hired.

MOTION: To authorize the use of the money from the law clerk position to hire a private attorney to perform as the temporary small claims mediator until a new clerk is hired. (Timmons/Kelly, PASSED).

MEDICAL EXAMINER

Award winning bid for Motorola radios

ME Schaub presented Chairperson Schreier with two sealed envelopes containing bids. The first bid was from Northway Communications at a cost of \$22,128.78. The second bid was from BAYCOM at a cost of \$21,999.96.

Timmons asked if the bids had been reviewed. Schaub stated no, she handed the sealed envelopes to Chairperson Schreier.

Northway Communications Representative Neal Wozniak was in attendance and explained these bids fall into the state bidding process where they have no leverage whatsoever to change costs, and he was confused as to why there was a difference in the bid prices.

There was discussion about reviewing the bids.

MOTION: To approve, after review of both bids, to award the contract to the lowest bid, giving Medical Examiner Schaub authority to choose the contract most advantageous to the county. (Timmons/Schreier, All nays, MOTION DENIED).

There was further discussion regarding the contracts, the location of the companies, and prior interactions with these companies.

MOTION: To award the Motorola radio contract to Northway Communications in the amount of \$22,128.78 (Timmons/Kelly, PASSED)

*At 9:55 a.m., Timmons advised he received a text from ME Schaub who stated that after review of the contracts, a mathematical error was located on the BAYCOM contract, which was the difference in the contract costs.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA(S)

None

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 10:09 a.m.

Steven Schreier, Chairman

Amy Huber, Committee Secretary

Russell Fisher, Vice-Chairman