

**MINUTES OF THE ONEIDA COUNTY
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING
December 08, 2022**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Mike Timmons, Tom Kelly, Russ Fisher, Diana Harris (arrived at 9:33 a.m.)

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: Steven Schreier (excused)

OTHERS PRESENT: Jean Meyer (Branch I and Branch II), Brenda Behrle (Clerk of Courts), Crystal Schaub (Medical Examiner), Chief Deputy Dan Hess, and Sheriff Grady Hartman

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chairman Fisher called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. at the Oneida County Sheriff's Office Community Room, 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 (Kelly/Timmons, PASSED).

APPROVE PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

MOTION: To approve the November 10, 2022 Public Safety Committee Meeting Minutes (Kelly/Timmons, PASSED).

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

SCHEDULE COMMITTEE MEETING DATE(S)

The next meeting was scheduled for January 5, 2023 at 9:30 a.m. in Committee Room #2 at the Oneida County Courthouse

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).

MEDICAL EXAMINER

Request for staff to attend International Coroners/Medical Examiners Symposium in Las Vegas, NV dates of July 16-20-2023

Schaub handed out and shared information for the IACME 2023 Training Symposium to be held Las Vegas, NV July 16-20, 2023 (Exhibit #1). Schaub shared information regarding the symposium being a great networking tool with various vendors and invaluable training for those attending. Schaub stated there are many states and countries who send attendees. Schaub stated the ME's to attend this year were Luke

Johnson, Dawn Seals, and Damien Seals. Next year Schaub and Ashley Roach will attend. Schaub stated the estimated final cost (cost of symposium, airfare, hotel, rental vehicle) would be approximately \$4,165 (not including meals)

There was discussion regarding the training budget and surplus. Schaub also explained there are scholarships available for 100% coverage of the costs to attend, with a 50/50 chance this could be covered by the scholarship.

Fisher commented that there was money in Schaub's budget (\$5,000.00) for training and Schaub would have to find a way to cover the cost if she went over budget. Schaub stated the prices are not set in stone, as the hotel cost was not at the government rate and she will apply for the scholarships. Schaub will come back to the committee with updated information.

MOTION: To approve the request for three Medical Examiner's to attend the International Coroners/Medical Examiners Symposium in Las Vegas, NV July 16-20- 2023, with the cost to not exceed the line item budget of \$5,000.00 (Timmons/Kelly, PASSED).

Harris asked when the scholarship information was available. Schaub stated it should be soon. Timmons asked for clarification that the three people attending would come back certified and Schaub told him yes, they would come back ABMDI certified.

Request for staff to attend Forensic Outdoor Recovery Course in Knoxville, TN dates of May 22-26, 2023

Schaub relayed that there is a waiting list to attend (Exhibit #2). Schaub and Ashley Roach will be attending. Schaub stated there are two offerings for this training, but the first offering is more extensive.

Schaub relayed this was an imperative training to attend, as a lot of outdoor recovery/outdoor deaths occur in the area, including the neighboring counties. Schaub stated they work alongside anthropologists who show how to properly work with bodies, different stages of decomposition, different stages of death, etc. This is not a certification program.

Timmons asked If Vilas or Forest Counties kick in for their training. Schaub relayed those counties are only charged a flat rate for ME services. Timmons noted it would be worth it to send a letter about trainings to those counties or law enforcement and ask for assistance. Schaub agreed, noting the tribal agencies may have resources.

Timmons asked when the last date was to back out of this class. Schaub stated 30 days prior. Fisher told Schaub to get on the waiting list and see what happens with the scholarship/hotel costs for the Las Vegas training.

There was discussion on the two offered courses, costs, and which offering was more cost effective. Schaub advised they would drive as the location was in a remote area and they would need a vehicle to get there.

Fisher told Schaub she would need to find a way to pay from her budget, as the first requested training (Las Vegas) would use up her training budget.

MOTION: To approve Schaub to get on waiting list for two medical examiner's to attend the Forensic Outdoor Recovery Course in Knoxville, TN dates of May 22-26, 2023 contingent upon the funding related to the scholarship/hotel cost from Las Vegas training (Harris/Kelly, PASSED).

Chairman Schreier asked that Items 9-11 be tabled to the January meeting.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Inspection of Oneida County Jail

Sheriff Hartman noted that by Statute he was required to present the names/charges of all persons booked into the Oneida County Jail for the last year (Exhibit #3). At 10:10 a.m., Sheriff Hartman accompanied committee members to the Oneida County Jail for the yearly inspection. Timmons left meeting at 10:10 a.m. The tour ended at 10:32 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA(S)

Medical Examiner's Yearly Review (Items 9-11 on December agenda)

Further information related to Medical Examiner's training requests (Items 7 & 8 on December agenda)

Oneida County Department of Social Services Director Mary Rideout – related to CJCC (Criminal Justice Coordinating Council)

ADJOURN

10:32 a.m.

Steven Schreier, Chairman

Andi Seidel, Committee Secretary

Russell Fisher, Vice-Chairman