

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
October 6, 2015

Present: Dan Banach, Sarah Purdy, Tim Dennis, Elden Morrison, Bonnie Percy, Jim Multer, Leslie Church, Leland Sackett, Bob Clark, Brian Winslow, Sharon Dawes, Valerie Gardner, Jack Gleason, Gary Montgomery, Mark Morris, Connie Hayes.

Bill and Leslie will do the audit this month.

Minutes of the September meeting were approved as presented.

Probation – Sharon Dawes

Sharon reviewed the following statistical report

YATES CO. PROBATION	14-Sep	14-Oct	14-Nov	14-Dec	15-Jan	15-Feb	15-Mar	15-Apr	15-May	15-Jun	15-Jul	15-Aug	15-Sep
Probationers	288	275	271	264	255	250	250	247	240	236	241	237	247
Investigations monthly	20	22	25	15	14	15	23	22	19	20	23	22	28
investigations year to date	156	178	203	218	14	29	52	74	93	113	136	158	186
Violation of Probation	9	1	4	5	6	8	8	5	3	13	4	2	5
VOP year to date	39	40	44	49	6	14	22	27	30	43	47	49	54
Pre-Trial Release	2	2	2	2	2	3	2	2	2	2	1	1	1
Leandra's Law													
Conditional Discharge	45/24	46/23	50/26	46/26	43/24	43/27	37/27	41/24	44/24	44/25	42/23	38/19	42/19
Probation	15/0	16/0	16/0	17/0	16/1	15/1	13/1	16/1	19/1	18/1	19/1	20/1	23/1
waiver cases	9/3	9/3	9/3	8/3	7/3	6/3	7/5	9/7	9/8	9/8	10/8	9/7	11/7
payment plan cases	6/3	7/2	7/2	7/3	5/2	7/3	7/3	7/3	7/2	6/2	6/2	6/2	7/3

Sharon reviewed her 2015-2016 goals.

Sharon reported she receives funding through the Governor's Traffic Safety Council for Leandra's Law. She has heard nothing as to whether the funding will be renewed for the 10/1/15 -10/1/16 year. Sharon will report more as information is available.

District Attorney – Valerie Gardner

Valerie reviewed the following statistical report

	2014					2015			
	NEW	NEW	NEW	CASES		NEW	NEW	NEW	CASES
	CASES	FELONY	VOP &VCD	CLOSED		CASES	FELONY	VOP &VCD	CLOSED
Jan	65	4	8	83		64	16	7	61
Feb	44	4	6	92		63	8	5	48
Mar	68	7	9	62		75	15	8	51
Apr	82	7	5	82		71	5	10	51
May	85	7	6	62		59	12	3	59

Jun	72	9	3	67		80	5	14	47
Jul	65	6	6	71		70	8	4	41
Aug	72	13	1	55		78	10	5	75
Sep	76	15	24	87		85	7	4	98
Oct	75	13	14	73					
Nov	60	6	12	70					
Dec	86	15	13	88					
Total	850	106	107	892		645	80	60	531

Valerie reviewed the following DWI stats for 2014.

Total DWI & DWAI cases disposed of in 2014: 100

Total convictions to an 1192 offense: 94

Total dismissals: 6

Valerie reported a new Grand Jury was impaneled on September 11th and they have already heard and indicted 5 cases, including the Welfare Fraud Case that court dismissed.

Valerie reviewed the following court activity for the month:

Hearings: 7

Trial: 1

Extradition: 1 to Pennsylvania

Appellate Brief: 1

Applications to Revoke Bail/Recognizance: 2

Valerie reviewed various meetings that she attended.

Valerie reported the Victim Impact panel was held on September 15th.

Valerie reported this month is Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

Valerie reported Caitlyn Metz is the new Victim Witness Director.

Valerie reviewed a position review form for the full time Assistant District Attorney position which has become vacant. The consensus of the Committee was to approve the refilling of the position and gave the salary range of \$65,000 to \$75,000.

Emergency Management – Brian Winslow

Brian reported the 4 County Haz Mat Team is working through issues dealing with the passing of a member.

Brian reported he attended a presentation done by the BELIEVE 271 Foundation on cancer in fire Service. There were 70 participants.

Brian reviewed the emergency responses he attended.

Brain reported the office is in the process of the WRECKIT exercise preparation. The first meeting was last night with 30 people in attendance. This is a state wide exercise that is being done in reference to an ice storm hitting in October on top of a snow storm coming in behind it and where are we, where are our necessitates, where are we setting all of the material for Highway Departments and so on.

Brian reported he hopes to have a resolution next month to approve the County Mutual Aid Plan.

Sheriff – Ron Spike

Ron could not attend the meeting, Jack Gleason attended in his absence.

Jack reviewed the following resolution that would be needed the Committee approved.

- Recognition of Domestic Violence Awareness Month – October

Jack reviewed the position review form for a Sgt. Deputy Sheriff that will become vacant due to a retirement and backfilling any position that may become vacant due to a promotion. The consensus of the Committee was to refill the position.

Jack reviewed the Jail Population report which showed; Yates County 40, Federal 5 and 11 females for a total of 56.

The population has settled from as high as 22 females committed last month to the present number and we are no longer presently boarding out as there were inmates in three different area jails at times in September due to overcapacity. We still have a female in the Central NY Psych hospital and there was a male (felony charge) in the Soldiers and Sailors Hospital under 24X7 guards due to serious illness, but was released as of 10/5 and is back in the jail.

Discussion took place on whether 2 guards need to be assigned to guard a prisoner. Ron will be asked to address the issue of two guards on duty for a hospital stay as well as getting a report from Benetech.

Jack reviewed the revenue report which showed \$155,373.81 received so far this year and \$300,000 was budgeted.

Bonnie questioned if any progress has been made in hiring correction officers. Jack stated that 2 individuals are being looked at for 2 lateral transfers. Jack explained that the number of applicants for part-time correction officers has increased and they are currently looking at those applicants as far as viability.

Jack report there were 8 participants in the SWEAP program. A total of 120.5 man hours were spent at 6 locations.

Jack reported the base radio for the alternate EOC (backup- 911) is still out and they are waiting on the install of a line between Public Safety Building and Courthouse.

Jack reported the accreditation is up for renewal, DCJC has assigned an assessor. The onsite review from the assessor was done last week and the Sheriff was told unofficially that the Department will be approved for a 5 year renewal of their accreditation certification.

Jack reviewed the monthly statistics some highlights follow:

Animal Related: 81 Assist other Agency: 34 Civil Problem: 36 Dom. Violence: 23
Navigation Rel: 43 Veh/Traffic Related: 53 Criminal Arrests: 47 # of Charges: 78
Vehicle & Traffic UTT's: 115 Sex Offenders in Co: 89
Total calls for services for Law Enforce, EMS and Fire Dept. for the month of August: 1,776.

Jack reported training on the Wilmac recording equipment was done today. Also, the Frontier 911 PSAP telephone equipment was installed and is all part of the grant project.

Jack reported the Animal Control officer captured two wild pigs in Starkey that were damaging property.

Jack reported the Victims Impact Panel was held on September 15th with 43 participants.

County Administrator – Sarah Purdy

Sarah updated the Committee on the shared jail concept. Sarah explained she had anticipated learning more about the \$150 million that was assigned to the CFA process and is available for other shared services projects. The guidelines and criteria still have not been developed and the Governor's office was unable to provide any information about the timeline for when they will be developed. However, they did state that one of the functions for which the funds would be available is technical assistance. Sarah explained that it appears there is nothing further to pursue right now, especially given that neither county is in the position to undertake a study without significant financial assistance. Sarah has received an email from the Department of State asking her to participate in a local government innovation conference on November 17th in Albany. The consensus of the Committee was to have Sarah attend the conference.

Bonnie moved to enter executive session to discuss the employment history of a particular individual with the Legislature and the County Administrator present, seconded by Leslie.

VOTE: Unanimous

Meeting adjourned at 4:45p.m.