

PUBLIC SAFETY & EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
May 9, 2022

The Public Safety & Emergency Services Committee of the Broome County Legislature met remotely on Monday, May 9, 2022 via Zoom Videoconferencing.

Members Present: S. Baker (Chair), G. Baldwin, M. Pasquale, R. Weslar, M. Whalen

Members Absent: None

Others Present: K. Beebe, M. Hilderbrant, A. Martin, M. Tanzini, R. O'Donnell, Legislature; J. Garnar, M. Ponticiello, C. Wagner, C. Whalen, County Exec's Office; J. Knebel, OMB; C. Marion, Arena; E. Gartenman, Assigned Counsel; P. Memos, DA; L. Boulton, S. Brown, S. Mastin, DPW; K. Andrews, D. Griffin, IT; M. Baker, J. Rothermel, Public Defender; D. Harder, Sheriff; D. Smith, Solid Waste; G. Kilmer, Transit; V. Gialanella, Town of Vestal Resident

The Public Safety & Emergency Services Committee meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 4:02 PM. Mr. Weslar made a motion to move the agenda, seconded by Mr. Baldwin.

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

#2 [RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE AGREEMENT WITH THE CHEMUNG COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE FOR HOUSING OF BROOME COUNTY INMATES FOR THE OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF FOR 2022-2027](#)

Answering a question from Mr. Weslar, Mr. Harder stated that the agreements in this Resolution and also in Resolution #3 are put in place should the Sheriff's Office need them. He further stated that any unexpended funds budgeted for these agreements are returned to the general fund at the end of each fiscal year.

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#3 [RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE AGREEMENT WITH THE CHENANGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE FOR HOUSING OF BROOME COUNTY INMATES FOR THE OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF FOR 2022-2027](#)

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#5 [RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE AGREEMENT WITH JUSTICE BENEFITS, INC. FOR THE RECOVERY OF STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDS FOR THE OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF FOR 2022-2026](#)

Mr. Weslar asked about the funding secured in the previous four years by Justice Benefits, Inc. (JBI) and more information on the funding formula utilized by JBI. Mr. Harder stated that he would have his office provide more information.

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#6 [RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING \(MOU\) AGREEMENT BETWEEN HOMELAND SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS AND THE OFFICE OF THE BROOME COUNTY SHERIFF FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF JOINT OPERATIONS EXPENSES FROM THE TREASURY FORFEITURE FUND](#)

Mr. Harder stated that there are five officers who partake in this program.

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#7 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH AXON ENTERPRISE, INC., FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND EQUIPMENT FOR THE DIVISION OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FOR 2022-2027

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#10 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH LIAM CONNECT, LLC FOR A PHOTO KIOSK AT THE BROOME COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY FOR THE OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#20 RESOLUTION CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT TO MEMBERSHIP ON THE BROOME COUNTY FIRE ADVISORY BOARD

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#31 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF THE COUNSEL AT FIRST APPEARANCE PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE PUBLIC DEFENDER AND ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2020-2022

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#32 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF THE UPSTATE QUALITY IMPROVEMENT AND CASELOAD REDUCTION PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE PUBLIC DEFENDER AND ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2020-2022

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#33 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE BROOME COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY FOR THE ASSIGNED COUNSEL PROGRAM FOR 2022-2027

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

There being no further business to come before the Committee at this time, a motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Pasquale, seconded by Mr. Whalen. The meeting adjourned at 4:14 PM.