

**Law Enforcement and Public Safety Committee
Regular Meeting Minutes**

DATE & TIME: April 5, 2016 – 5:30 PM
LOCATION: COB, 6th Floor, Karen Binder Library
PRESIDING OFFICER: Chairman TJ Briggs
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Jay Mahler, Legislative Staff
PRESENT: Legislators Fabiano, Lapp, Maio, Rodriguez and Ronk
ABSENT: None
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes

OTHER ATTENDEES: Sheriff VanBlarcum, Under Sheriff Freer, UC Jail Superintendent Hanstein, Legislator Mary Wawro, Melanie Mullins – Department of Probation, Steve Petersen – Department of Emergency Management/Emergency Services, Mr. Matthew Colangelo

Chairman Briggs called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Motion No. 1: RESOLVED To Approve the Minutes of the March 1, 2016 meeting

Motion Made By: Legislator Fabiano
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Lapp

Discussion: None

Roll Call Vote: No
Voting In Favor: Legislators Briggs, Fabiano, Lapp, and Ronk
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 4
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 2: Resolution No. 191 – April 19, 2016

Text of Motion: Resolved to approve Resolution No. 191 – Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Motorola Solutions Inc– Emergency Management/Emergency Communications

Motion Made By: Legislator Lapp
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Fabiano

Resolution No. 191 Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with Motorola Solutions, Inc. in the amount of \$64,550.52 to extend the term of agreement for maintenance of the 911 telephone system for the term March 1, 2016 – February 28, 2017.

Discussion:

Legislator Fabiano asked if the contract extension was only for one year. Emergency Management/Emergency Communication Director Steve Petersen confirmed that it was.

Roll Call Vote: No
Voting In Favor: Legislators Briggs, Fabiano, Lapp, Rodriguez and Ronk
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 5
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 3: Resolution No. 192 – April 19, 2016

Text of Motion: **Resolved to approve Resolution No. 192** – Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Aramark Correctional Services LLC– Ulster County Sheriff

Motion Made By: Legislator Lapp
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maio

Resolution No. 192 Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with Aramark Correctional Services LLC for the estimated rate of \$610,570 for an increase in the per meal costs in accordance with consumer price index escalator – actual cost based on the number of meal served.

Discussion:

UC Jail Superintendent Hanstein explained that the funding for the contract was already part of the 2016 budget, but that there is an adjustment required for the county’s New World financial management system due to market trends. He explained this was an annual occurrence.

Roll Call Vote: No
Voting In Favor: Legislators Briggs, Fabiano, Lapp, Maio, Rodriguez, and Ronk
Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 6
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 4: Resolution No. 231 – April 19, 2016

Text of Motion: Moved to approve Resolution No. 231 – Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With National Association Of VOCA Assistance Administrators (NAVAA) And Amending The 2016 Ulster County Budget – Department of Probation

Motion Made By: Legislator Rodriguez
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Ronk

Resolution No. 231 Summary: This resolution authorizes the Chairman to execute an agreement with the National Association Of VOCA Assistance Administrators (NAVAA) the amount of \$5,000 in grant funding to be expended towards promoting community awareness for Ulster County’s Crime Victim’s Assistance Program.

Discussion:

Ms. Melanie Mullins from the Department of Probation explained that NAVAA was offering money to help advertise the crime victim assistance program.

Roll Call Vote: No
Voting In Favor: Legislators Briggs, Fabiano, Lapp, Maio, Rodriguez, and Ronk
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 6
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 5: Resolution No. 232 – April 19, 2016

Text of Motion: Moved to approve Resolution No. 232 – Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Contract With The New York State Department of Criminal Justice To Accept Grant Funds for AED’s – Ulster County Sheriff

Motion Made By: Legislator Maio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Lapp

Resolution No. 232 Summary: This resolution authorizes the Chairman to execute an agreement with the NYS Department of Criminal Justice Services in the amount of \$20,000 in state aid to replenish funds used to purchase AEDs and other medical supplies in patrol vehicles.

Discussion:

Sheriff Van Blarcum explained that the Sheriff’s Office oversees all of the AED programs in the county. Chairman Briggs complimented the Sheriff on the conduct of his officers the many times they have assisted the Ellenville Rescue Squad with calls. Chairman Ronk asked if there were any saves using an AED from a patrol car. Sheriff Van Blarcum responded that there definitely were saves using the AEDs. He added that each time the device is used data is downloaded. He offered to forward the information to the members.

Roll Call Vote:	No
Voting In Favor:	Legislators Briggs, Fabiano, Lapp, Maio, Rodriguez, and Ronk
Voting Against:	None
No. of Votes in Favor:	6
No. of Votes Against:	0
Disposition:	Carried

Sheriff’s Report

Sheriff Van Blarcum stated that while the numbers are still down, they were not panicking yet. He added that populations are still down statewide and that he was looking into other ways to increase revenue. Superintendent Hanstein explained that tablets would be made available for inmates to rent to play video games or watch movies. He added that the content would be monitored. He concluded by saying that other correctional facilities were successfully utilizing the technology.

Old Business

Chairman Briggs asked if there was any old business. None was offered.

New Business

Chairman Briggs advised the members that the 2015 version of the Proposed Pet Sellers Law was provided in their meeting materials. He explained that the copy before them was

the outcome of numerous meetings with Pet Sellers and animal rights activists. He said he would like to schedule a special meeting in May to discuss the law. He added that he would like to invite Laws and Rules Committee Chairman Roberts and his members to the special meeting.

Chairman Ronk informed the members that he had a meeting scheduled with one of the pet breeders who participated in last year's meeting in order to discuss some possible amendments to the law. There was a brief discussion of the specifics of the law and who it would apply to.

Chairman Briggs asked if there was any other new business. Mr. Matthew Colangelo asked if he could address the members. Mr. Colangelo informed the members that he is a resident of Glen Street in Kingston. He advised them that he had approached the City of Kingston to express his and his neighbors' concerns about the traffic caused by the Golden Hill facility at the end of the road and safety issues due to the lack of sidewalks. He said the City of Kingston informed him the issue must be addressed by the County, and that Deputy County Executive Sudlow said it was a city issue.

Chairman Briggs said he would reach out to the County Planning Department and County Attorney's Office to obtain an opinion as to who is responsible for addressing his concerns.

Chairman Briggs asked if there was any other business, and hearing none;

Adjournment

Motion Made By: Legislator Fabiano

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maio

No. of Votes in Favor: 6

No. of Votes Against: 0

TIME: 6:03 PM.

Respectfully submitted this 3rd day of May, 2016

Jay Mahler, Deputy Clerk

Minutes Approved: May 3, 2016