

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

**May 17, 2012**

**PRESENT:**

**Roy Brown, Chairman**

**Jeffrey Braley**

**William Hughes Jr.**

**Matt Murell**

**Jeffrey Nayer**

**John Porreca, Sr.**

**Kevin McDonald**

**Valerie Bertram, non-voting member, notified**

**ALSO PRESENT:**

**Gail DiCosmo, Clerk**

**William Black**

**Dan Kibler**

**John Howe**

**Undersheriff Sweet**

**Dennis McEvoy**

**Robert Lopez**

**PJ Keeler**

**PRESS: 1**

**Chairman Brown called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.**

**Sheriff's Office- Undersheriff Sweet**

**Resolution Request – Authorization to fill one vacant part-time position of Clerk Typist with an hourly rate of \$14.60, motion by W. Hughes, Jr., seconded by J. Braley, carried. Refer to Finance.**

**Conference Objective Form – Communications Center Supervisor Training, June 19 – June 21, 2012, Goshen New York, \$95.00, motion by J. Braley, seconded by M. Murell, carried.**

**Conference Objective Form – Technologies against Police, August 7 – August 8, 2012, Albany, New York, No Cost to the County, motion by W. Hughes, Jr., seconded by J. Nayer, carried.**

**Out of County Inmate Report: for April 2012 Total \$36,300.00, last year 2011 total was \$52,380.00; April 2012 \$116,100.00, 2011 Year to date \$174,690.00**

**Probation- D. Kibler**

**Family Court Unit Supervisor Michele Clarke attended a Systems of Care Seminar funded by the Office of Mental Hygiene Directors for the purpose of designing a "Systems of Care" model in Columbia County with other county agencies such as Behavioral Health Services, Department of Social Services, County Attorney's Office, judges, parents, youth and various county stakeholders. The seminar was held in Albany on 04/18/2012. Representatives from DSS and CCBH accompanied me to the seminar. This collaboration is in its infancy, however, if properly developed could greatly benefit the delivery of services to children and families in this county.**

**Ignition Interlock Device current total cases = 100 (55 Conditional Discharge and 45 Probation cases).**

**Michelle Kocan, our Bookkeeper for many years, retired. Her last day at work was on 04/25/2012. We are working to fill the vacancy.**

**Columbia-Greene Community College, Human Services Department has requested one student internship for the Fall 2012-2013 semester. This will be in addition to the request already made by the Criminal Justice Department. In consideration of their interest we will try to accommodate two (2) interns this Fall.**

**Fire Coordinator- J. Howe**

Authorization for Bill Hunt to attend Juvenile Fire Setter Intervention Program Seminar conference in Montour Falls, NY on May 21, 22, 23, 2012, this is free, charges only for approximately \$75.00 for gas, motion by W. Hughes, Jr., seconded by K. McDonald, carried.

**EMS – PJ Keeler**

1<sup>st</sup> Responders Class- Tri-Village, starting in June 2012

**Public Defender- A. Levinson**

Distribution of April 2012 monthly report with no questions. A memo was distributed “Public Defenders consider shared services when conflicts arise”; Article from NYSAC

**Emergency Management: W. Black**

**Resolution Request:** to enter into an agreement with Ecology and Environment, Inc. to submit an application to update our Hazardous Mitigation Plan. This is a 5 year renewal and has grant funding available with a 25% County match. Our original letter of Intent requested \$50,000.00 to update the plan which was submitted to NYS which will require a match of \$125,000.00 this allows the county, towns and local municipalities to apply funding from NYS and FEMA in the event of disaster declarations. We need to move forward with the grant process and Columbia County will have to bear the full cost of a later time to ensure eligibility for future reimbursements from disasters. The deadline to submit the application is June 8, 2012, motion by K. McDonald, seconded by J. Brlaey, carried. Forward to Budget & Salary, if approved refer to Finance.

**Resolution Request:** Requesting that Mark Ferrari remain assigned as the NYSEMO representative for Columbia County. NYSEMO is currently restructuring Region 2. Mark has been the Region Director and has had a long standing and good relationship with Columbia County during the Ice Storm of 2008, Hurricane Irene/Tropical Storm Lee, and many other events that have occurred. We would like to request that he remain the representative for Columbia County, motion by M. Murell, seconded by K. McDonald, carried. Refer to Finance.

**FEMA closed Application FEMA -1692-DR-NY** which was for the April 24<sup>th</sup> Event.

**E-911 – R. Lopez**

**Conference Objective Form:**

Request for up to six 911 Emergency Dispatchers to attend training for Law Enforcement Responder Safety for Dispatchers class at Orange County NY. Available dates are 5/29, 5/31, 6/1, 6/3, and 6/4. This one-day FREE course is specifically designed to educate telecommunicators in understanding the risks faced by law enforcement officers and their integral role in enhancing officer safety. This training counts towards required 21 hours of training, minimum standards NYS 911 Board/Col Co 911, motion by W. Hughes, Jr , seconded by J. Porreca, Sr., carried.

**Conference Objective Form:**

Request for two individuals to attend an APCO: Communications Center Supervisor Class in Orange County NY on June 19-21. This course is designed for prospective, new or experienced communications supervisors who want to enhance their supervisory skills and knowledge. The only cost for this course will be \$95.00 per person to cover materials. The balance in my Education Expense account is \$4244.00. This training counts toward required 21 hours of training, minimum standards NYS 911 Board/Col Co 911, motion by W. Hughes, Jr., seconded by J. Nayer, carried.

**Agency Data:**

Call volume for April was 4,521 calls.

In April Columbia County 911 dispatched:

1083 EMS Agencies

322 Fire Agencies

1049 Police Polls

308 -Public Service Calls which includes (Controlled burns, Highway Dept calls, Power Company, Phone Company, Cable Company, Addressing etc.....)

With no further business a motion to adjourn at 6:18 PM by W. Hughes, Jr., seconded by K. McDonald, carried.

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