

PUBLIC SAFETY & LEGAL AFFAIRS
FRAZIER, WILBER, STAMMEL, FARWELL, OBERACKER
August 15, 2019

Absent: Representatives Stammel and Oberacker

OTHER

Representative Wilber moved to enter into executive session to discuss matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person. Seconded, Farwell. Total: 2,486. Ayes: 1,429. Absent: 1,057- Stammel, Oberacker. Motion carried.

The Committee reconvened.

CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER (CAC)- DENISE OLIVER

Denise Oliver and the Committee discussed specific details regarding fringe benefit costs associated with the Forensic Interviewer position. Denise Oliver requested the County cover up to \$750 in fringe benefit costs for the Forensic Interviewer position through the end of 2019, budget account code as recommended by the Treasurer. Representative Wilber moved to pay the fringe. Seconded, Farwell. Total: 2,486. Ayes: 1,429. Absent: 1,057- Stammel, Oberacker. Motion carried.

Denise Oliver requested approval for one staff person to attend Darkness to Light facilitator training in the approximate amount of \$1,086.60. Representative Wilber moved to approve the training. Seconded, Farwell. Total: 2,486. Ayes: 1,429. Absent: 1,057- Stammel, Oberacker. Motion carried.

Denise Oliver requested approval of the following contracts:

-OVS01-C11036GG-1080200 with New York State Office of Victim Services for a grant of \$41, 267 per year for three and possibly extend to five years. Fiscal year: October 1, 2019 – September 30, 2020 for a part-time Forensic Interviewer position salary, fringe benefits (up to 62.48%), and training.

-2018-NZ-NX-Koo4 with National Children's Alliance for full-time Advocate position. Advocate started employment on May 29, 2019. Contract ends on December 31, 2019. Amount of grant \$31,388.16, covers salary, fringe benefits, a computer, and training.

-CO27699 with New York State Office of Children and Family Services. The amount for fiscal year October 1, 2019 – September 30, 2020 is \$118,972. This covers the following expenses for the Otsego County Child Advocacy Center: CAC Coordinator salary, fringe benefits, training and supplies. Expenses for the CAC include mental health consultant services, forensic phone services, recording equipment services, program and office supplies, training for MDT members, Central Services Cost Allocation, gas cards (for families transportation), refreshments for families, phone charges, postage, interpretation services, peer review, and memberships and dues.

Representative Farwell moved to approve the three contracts. Seconded, Wilber. Total: 2,486. Ayes: 1,429. Absent: 1,057- Stammel, Oberacker. Motion carried.

Denise Oliver and the Committee discussed the following, including but not limited to: the CAC is technically part of the District Attorney's office, the Coordinator has not met with Performance Review and Goal Setting Committee, there have been challenges with staff turnover, and additional specific changes to the department which may be helpful such as establishing a directorship, co-locating staff, and providing more training.

OTHER- PAUL NESKE, CHIEF OF THE SCHENEVUS FIRE DEPARTMENT

Paul Neske, Chief of the Schenevus Fire Department, addressed the Committee regarding the possibility of obtaining a surplus vehicle for the Schenevus Fire Department. Mr. Neske said the surplus vehicle could reduce costs for volunteers, act as a fly car supplement, and would increase safety for incident managers. The Committee thanked Mr. Neske and was supportive of his request, however suggested Mr. Neske attend the Public Works Committee, as the Public Works Committee handles surplus.

CODES- TONY GENTILE

Tony Gentile noted a concern in the proposed 2020 Codes budget. Mr. Gentile said that as per Resolution No. 350-20181214, there should be three funded Grade 12 Code Inspector positions in the Personal Services line of the proposed 2020 budget where there are currently only two. The Committee agreed Mr. Gentile should work with the Treasurer's Office on the Personal Service line of the proposed 2020 Codes budget to include funding for the third Code Inspector position.

Tony Gentile, prior to the meeting, emailed to the Committee a Summary of Senate Report. Mr. Gentile provided an overview of the NYS Senate

investigation into the administration and enforcement of the Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code.

Tony Gentile discussed flood zone construction and administration.

EMERGENCY SERVICES- ART KLINGLER AND VICTOR JONES

Art Klingler emailed the July mileage reports for OC1 and OC2 prior to the meeting.

Art Klingler reported on the Induction Weekend After Action Review.

Art Klingler requested a blanket approval for up to \$5,000 from Training 3641-4050-A to purchase CPR cards, materials, etc., from the American Heart Association. Representative Wilber moved to approve the blanket approval. Seconded, Farwell. Total: 2,486. Ayes: 1,429. Absent: 1,057- Stammel, Oberacker. Motion carried.

Art Klingler requested the following budget transfer:

Transfer from:	Equipment	3641-2000-A	\$9,000
Transfer to:	Subscriptions/Dues	3641-4650-A	\$9,000

Representative Wilber moved to approve the transfer. Seconded, Farwell. Total: 2,486. Ayes: 1,429. Absent: 1,057- Stammel, Oberacker. Motion carried.

Art Klingler requested approval to purchase the 2020 subscription for Hyper-Reach public alerting system in the amount of \$9,000. Representative Wilber moved to approve the purchase. Seconded, Farwell. Total: 2,486. Ayes: 1,429. Absent: 1,057- Stammel, Oberacker. Motion carried.

Art Klingler updated the Committee on the fire training center, including but not limited to the following: the RFP was re-released for a second time, again with no bidders, and Mr. Klingler is working with the County purchasing agent to simplify the RFP.

The Committee and Art Klingler continued the ongoing discussion of ways to address emergency services throughout the County, taking into consideration towns and villages do the work differently based on what works for them and past practices, there are opportunities for shared service agreements, and it is important not to mandate methods that may not work in each area of the County.

PROBATION- DAN NAUGHTON

Dan Naughton discussed the proposed 2020 budget considerations, including but not limited to adding staff to accommodate new NYS laws, and increasing the budget for staff training and uniforms.

Dan Naughton requested approval to include two positions in the 2020 proposed budget:

- fund a Senior Probation Officer position
- create and fund an additional Probation Officer position

Representative Wilber moved to include the two positions in the 2020 Personal Service budget. Seconded, Farwell. Total: 2,486. Ayes: 1,429. Absent: 1,057- Stammel, Oberacker. Motion carried.

PUBLIC DEFENDER- KRISTEN STEVENS ON BEHALF OF MICHAEL TROSSETT

Kristen Stevens requested approval for one staff person to attend the 2019 New York City Babies and Toddlers Trauma Investigations Conference on September 12-13, 2019 in New York City in the approximate amount of \$363.93. Representative Wilber moved to approve the conference expense. Seconded, Farwell. Total: 2,486. Ayes: 1,429. Absent: 1,057- Stammel, Oberacker. Motion carried.

SHERIFF- SHERIFF DEVLIN AND UNDERSHERIFF ALLISON

Sheriff Devlin requested approval to purchase a cargo trailer for the STOP-DWI, Traffic Safety, and car seat programs, not to exceed \$7,500. Representative Wilber moved to approve the purchase. Seconded, Farwell. Total: 2,486. Ayes: 1,429. Absent: 1,057- Stammel, Oberacker. Motion carried.

Sheriff Devlin requested approval to pay part-time sergeants hazard pay. Representative Wilber moved to approve paying the hazard pay. Seconded, Farwell. Total: 2,486. Ayes: 1,429. Absent: 1,057- Stammel, Oberacker. Motion carried.

Sheriff Devlin requested approval to update two cell phones in the jail and to add a third smart phone. Representative Wilber moved to approve the cell phones. Seconded, Farwell. Total: 2,486. Ayes: 1,429. Absent: 1,057- Stammel, Oberacker. Motion carried.

Sheriff Devlin noted the MFC of the Otsego County Jailed has been lowered due to the Jail renovation project as of August 12, 2019, and the County will need to reapply to the New York State Commission of Correction

(NYSCOC) to increase the MFC once the project is complete. Additionally, Sheriff Devlin said the capacity of the jail is currently 44 beds, the Corrections department is boarding out inmates, and there will be additional costs associated with boarding out inmates to be paid later this fall. The project is scheduled to be complete in December 2019.

Sheriff Devlin requested the Committee evaluate the existing County jail for long-term viability and requested discussion of the direction of the current Public Safety Building. Sheriff Devlin also requested the Committee support the proposed 2020 Building Services budget which includes fees for design and architectural services for the security complex.

Sheriff Devlin said he will request additional Personnel in the proposed 2020 budget due to the 2015 NYS DCJS OPS staffing analysis, criminal justice reform, and for additional building security.

Sheriff Devlin and the Committee discussed surplus vehicles with regard to Enterprise lease contracts.

County Attorney Coccoma entered during the above discussion.

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Representative Wilber moved to come out of executive session. Seconded, Farwell. Total: 2,486. Ayes: 1,429. Absent: 1,057- Stammel, Oberacker. Motion carried.

Sheriff Devlin and Undersheriff Allison exited the meeting.

The Committee scheduled the next meeting date on Friday, September 13, 2019 at 1:00pm at the County Office Building.

Representative Wilber moved to enter into executive session to discuss the matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person. Seconded, Farwell. Total: 2,486. Ayes: 1,429. Absent: 1,057- Stammel, Oberacker. Motion carried.

The Committee adjourned while in executive session.