Delaware County Sheriff's Office

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Delaware County Public Safety Meeting

Notes

September 9, 2024

The monthly meeting of the Delaware County Public Safety Committee was called to order by Chairman Gladstone at 11:30 A.M. in Multi-Purpose Room 280 Phoebe Lane, Suite One Delhi, NY 13753 the following individuals were in attendance:

Supervisors

Wayland Gladstone, Chairman	Town of Andes
Allen Hinkley	Town of Roxbury
Betty Scott (Absent)	Town of Masonville
Glen Faulker	Town of Middletown
Joseph Cetta	Town of Walton
Guest:	Elizabeth Defalco –
	Reporter
	Kathleen Gasperini –
	Daily Star
	Shawn Smith - DA

Departments

Emergency Services	Steve Hood –Director Mark Rossley- 911 Coord.
Probation	Scott Glueckert-
	Director
Stop DWI	Scott Glueckert-
	Director
Code Enforcement	Dale Downin, Director
Sheriff's Office	Craig DuMond- Sheriff

Chairman Gladstone introduced the notes from August's meeting, notes were approved and will stand as submitted.

DA Smith brought a draft resolution for creating of a Traffic Diversion Program to gain the Public Safety Committee's input. DA Smith advised that various committees and ultimately the Board would have to make the decision on where the revenue from the program goes. Chairman Gladstone asked about the revenue and how it works. DA Smith advised that it would depend on how many people go through the program, how much the fee is, and how the split is done between the County and Town.

Supervisor Cetta stated that he believes this program is really good for people who do not want to hurt their record and be provided a chance tom recover from a ticket.

Sheriff stated that he believe this is a win for the person that wants to keep their record clean because not everyone will qualify for this program, it's a win for the county as far as revenue source, it's a win for the town if the county decides to split the revenue, and win for public safety because when you have repercussions for actions with having to pay a fine and take an 8 hour course a person might think twice about better driving habits.

Supervisor Faulkner stated that court day is very busy in Margaretville and that this might help cut down the amount of people and traffic. DA Smith stated that it would help with DA having to attend and process traffic cases. DA Smith stated that a lot of counties put that money back into traffic enforcement with either local police departments and the Sheriff's Office.

Sheriff stated that a lot of counties have taken the money and returned it to the DAs Office as a the DA revenue line. The funds are then used Law Enforcement for equipment that not budgeted or for specialized enforcement.

Chairman Gladstone stated that he will bring it to Finance this Wednesday.

Emergency Services ---- Steve Hood, Director

Mr. Hood stated that he passed out the ambulance numbers for August. Mr. Hood stated that billing is running around the mid \$70,000 which is really nice because \$80,000 was budgeted, so staying close to projected.

Mr. Hood stated that the land owner in Trout Creek has got things squared away with his property. Land Owner found an attorney willing to straighten out his property line. Mr. Hood stated that the owner before moving to much further wanted a contract drawn up, so Mr. Hood stated that Young and Summers was working on a contract and they are the ones that have drawn all the contracts for tower sites. Mr. Hood stated that once that is reviewed and looked over and agreed on they will have him sign it and can move forward.

Mr. Hood stated that they are exploring some other sites that is on Route 8 in Masonville/Deposit that would allow for coverage around the reservoir and Route 8 corridor. Mr. Hood stated that the town of Hardenburg is looking to build a tower site as well, Mr. Hood stated that once they figure out where they are going to put it then they will try propagating the spot to see what the coverage would look like. The tower is Verizon tower that is in Town of Deposit. Mr. Hood stated that we just have to see what the tower ordinance is for Deposit because most towns say that Emergency Services can go on the tower without fee.

Mr. Hood stated that the Governor sent in for major storm disaster for Delaware County. The president still needs to sign it for approval. President has 60 days to decide whether going to sign it or not.

Mr. Rossley stated that new CAD went live on August 27 as planned. Mr. Rossley stated that 80% of it is up and running, but some things are still trying to figure out, some things are still being built, and one thing not working.

Mr. Rossley stated that records management side was here last week and still a work in progress. The process from the 911 call to the information taken to it being put in the CAD is a process and the incident report coming out. Mr. Rossley stated that waiting for a couple interfaces on the LE side.

Mr. Rossley stated that he has been advised can give access to their calls for each fire department so working on that now, and getting everyone set up. It would be for only that district/station.

Mr. Rossley stated that the only LE agency not on yet is the State Police but they are building it and working to get approvals.

BUDGET

Kept every line flat accept 3.

Equipment line – need to purchase a new truck for Mark as his is falling apart. Cannot buy them on grants anymore.

Communications line – PRI charges paid to the County, pays internet lines for all tower sites and lines coming into office

Rent/Lease line – Rent tower space on the Susquehanna tower in masonville and went from \$3000 to \$9000 because added more equipment. We

pay rent for Mt. Pisgah to property owner but state reimburses for that exact amount, just cleaner this way.

Probation ---- Scott Glueckert, Director

Mr. Glueckert stated that he talked to Personnel about requesting a test for Probation Officer or Probation Officer Trainee, and the test should be held in May or June of 2025.

Mr. Glueckert stated that he tried filing his Raise the Age reimbursement but the Budget of Funding has not signed off on his funding request. Mr. Glueckert stated that all costs for Raise the Age are flat when he receives the money back from the state.

BUDGET

<u>ATI</u> is bail resource money but since people do not post bail very much there is not much money in the account. Mr. Glueckert stated that he gets 1.5% of the bail money.

<u>Community Service</u> – The state gives \$6,000 towards this program so Mr. Glueckert budgets that every year.

<u>Raise the Age</u> --- no personnel costs for this program anymore, only real expense out of this budget is contractual maintenance. There are 3 programs that Mr. Glueckert has. Catholic Charities does the mentoring program and transitional program with youth looking to live on their own. Huntington adolescent safe options treatment program that is an at home mental health program that helps get services in the home instead of having to go to a clinic. This is 100% reimbursable.

STOP DWI ---- Mr. Glueckert stated that revenue line has decreased significantly, but it is decreasing each year. Mr. Glueckert stated that community outreach went from \$4000 to \$8000 because Catholic Charities does the impact panel and holds 4 a year. Mr. Glueckert stated that previously they charged \$50 a time and that covers the speakers, but they cannot continue to do it for \$50 because it is a lot of work and planning. Patrols got dropped from \$17k to \$10K because local patrols are not submitting many forms and might be because of low staff so do not have the time.

<u>PROBATION</u> --- Training line raised from \$5000 to \$8000 because when looking in the future of having to send someone to get trained it is going to cost any where between \$10k and \$12k to send them away to training.

The state retirement was increased as well because looking to get the 25year passed for probation officers. The state sent Mr. Glueckert a sheet showing how to pay the past service costs.

Stop DWI ---- Scott Glueckert, Coordinator

Arrests: 15 month of August

YTD: 135

2 refusals -- 32 year to date

4 accidents - 32 year to date, last year was 45 so big decline

State Police has done a good job over the last couple months.

Mr. Glueckert stated that received fine revenue check which made total so far this year \$15,143. Mr. Glueckert stated that prior to covid it was \$28,000 and a couple years before that it was \$45,000. The state tried off setting it by requiring the courts to send the surcharge that they collect and send it to the Stop DWI program. That was supposed to start April 1, 2024. Mr. Glueckert stated that he has not seen any of that. He has spoken with the DA, and the magistrates to ask them to make sure everyone is following through with this.

Code Enforcement ----- Dale Downin, Director

Mr. Downin stated that the DPW projects are wrapping up and should be finished hopefully by the middle of the month.

Mr. Downin stated that the homeless shelter is coming along well and insulating and sheet rocking this week, and hopefully wrapped up by Christmas time. Mr. Downin stated the 163 building is ready but not sure if DSS has started occupying it.

BUDGET

Books and magazines --- state code is going to change in 2025 and the state does not provide books to municipalities. The books at \$1500 a piece.

Office Supplies ---- the printer takes \$1000 cartridge every time that it has to be replaced.

Sheriff's Office ---- Craig DuMond, Sheriff

Sheriff stated that it was a busy week last week. Sheriff stated that he sent out a press release on a drug warrant that they served in Walton last Wednesday. Sheriff stated that 2 out of the 3 people were immediately released due to bail reform.

Sheriff stated that same morning we responded to a neighbor dispute that included a shooting in Hancock. The state police were first on the scene but we had just cleared in Walton with 3 of our Special Response Team people on. Deputies were able to immediately go in and rescue the victim, as well as the victims girlfriend.

Sheriff stated that the following day, we assisted NYSP with a domestic and stabbing incident in Masonville. Two of our Deputies assisted with the rescue of the pregnant wife and 2 children. Unfortunately, the wife and he unborn child later passed away as a result of stab wounds. Sheriff stated that he is very proud of the law enforcement teams performing these heroic acts of valor.

Sheriff stated that we got 2 more DWI last week. Sheriff stated that Deputies are trying to stay on top of patrol so less accidents are happening and safer roads.

Sheriff stated that the new CAD is up and running. Sheriff stated that he is very pleased with it, as you can receive information in a quick manner. Sheriff stated that you can watch as dispatchers are putting in information about a case as it is being called in (real time).

Jail Revenue: \$163,785

YTD: \$1,285,975

BUDGET

Road

Equipment increased because last year had overage that allowed us to purchase the 2024 equipment in 2023. So the equipment line increased to \$71,471.96. The majority of the equipment is to outfit each deputy with specialty equipment to deal with active shooter as well as hostage situations.

Vehicle lease – went up \$24 k which is what enterprise projected with getting 5 new cars

Maintenance and Repair Cars --- \$4 k even though our maintenance is gone down since leasing but increased costs are the result of deer accidents and the cost of collision work.

Maintenance Agreements --- \$8,800 that goes along with the new CAD technology we are using as these are the maintenance agreements to use this technology.

Software --- \$63,750 is our portion of the Tyler Technologies that we have to pay moving forward.

Training --- \$13,500 finish building patrol rifles so everyone is the same and the majority is ammunition as the increase is going up 40%

Jail

Food increase as we are looking like we are going to be over budget by like \$50 k this year so increasing it by \$40 k for 2025, this is driven by inmate board ins along with county prisoners

Medical costs went up about \$5 k as medical costs are going up.

Copier Lease - need a new copier for medical unit

Software increased because need new update for Power DMS

Supplies Taser – have to replace all Tasers as the current ones are out of contract.

Jail revenue staying the same at \$1.5 million as long as things still stay the same as this year with board ins

Equipment --- \$17,849.21 – the majority of it is the standard stuff but looking to get a Printer, camera, and laptop for agency badges, start creating and printing so that Police and Peace ID stay within the Sheriff's Office.

Traffic control budget ---- Penny fills in the lines as it is grant funded.

Chairman Gladstone ended the meeting around 12:45 PM, noted the next meeting will be on October 7, 2024 at 11:30 AM, and held in the Public Safety Building 280 Phoebe Lane, Delhi, NY 13753.