# PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA - Probation August 8, 2023 2:30 pm

• Approval of minutes from July 5, 2023, Public Safety Committee meeting

# • Financial

1. Budget on track for 2023

# • Old business

- 1. Staffing
- 2. SCRAM (update)
- 3. Pathways to Placement (update)
- 4. 2023-2024 Raise the Age Plan (update)
- 5. Probation In-service
- 6. COPA conference (update)

# New business

- 1. 2024 Budget Presentation
- 2. Professional conferences
- 3. Pathways to Placement (update)
- 4. Community Engagement
- 5. IPPC Technologies
- 6. Succession Planning

# Personnel

- 1. One vacant Probation Officer 1 position
- 2. One vacant part-time supervisor position
- 3. One unfunded Probation Officer 1 position

# Resolutions

- 1. None
- Proclamations
  - 1. None
- Adjournment

## PUBLIC SAFETY MEETING July 5, 2023

The regular meeting of Public Safety, Probation, Emergency Services, Sheriff and Coroner's Office was held in the Legislative Conference Room, at the Ronald E. Dougherty County Office Building, 56 Main Street, Tuesday, July 2023, which started at 2:40 PM.



Finance k June Y 2 Report – Budget attached.

# Current Business:

1. Staffing - Probation Officer Briana Ward began her probation career on June 5, 2023. The Probation Officer civil service exam was given on June 24, 2023. Three candidates took the exam, two of which are currently working at Probation under provisional status. There is currently one open Probation Officer position and one open Part time Supervisor position.

- 2. SCRAM Systems Probation has met with a SCRAM Systems representative and based on the quote provided, it appears feasible for Probation to enter into a contract for their services. This Director is waiting to hear from the State if Tioga County will be receiving Pre-Trial Release funding for 2023-2024 prior to making a final decision. As explained in Committee last month, SCRAM CAM (Continuous Alcohol Monitor) is a unit that attaches to your ankle and monitors alcoholuse. The SCRAM Remote Pro is a hand-held alcohol monitoring device. The intent is to enhance the resources available to the Courts and Probation to monitor alcohol offenders.
- Probation has scheduled a meeting with representatives from the Tioga County Department of Social Services and the County Attorney's Office to develop "Pathways to Placement." The meeting is scheduled for July 18, 2023. Developing agreed upon Pathways, will eliminate confusion about each agency's responsibilities in the placement process.
- 4. New York State Office of Children and Fernily Services and Division of Criminal Justice Services released the Raise the Age (RTA) Comprehensive Fiscal Plan for 2023-2024. The plan gives counties the opportunity net aceive 100% funding for programing related to Raise the Age youth (16-3) 17-year-olds). Tioga County Probation and The Department of focial Services work collectively on the plan each year to recoup much or possible for services provided to RTA youth. The plan is due by fund 30, 2023.

**Update:** The Tioge County RTA Plan was submitted on June 22, 2023.

5. This Expector attended the Council of Probation Administrators (COPA) conference in Oswego County from June 26, 2023, to June 28, 2023.

# Juvenile Delinquency Services:

June 2023- There were three Juvenile Delinquency Appearance Tickets (JDAT) received for the month of June. The tickets were issued for charges which include Attempted Assault, Criminal Possession of Stolen Property, and Criminal Mischief. Due to the nature of the offenses and/or apparent treatment needs, all matters were referred to the County Attorney's Office for possible petition to Family Court. One placed in secure detention; one placed in unsecure detention.

## ATI Programs:

- <u>Electronic Monitoring</u> There are currently two individuals being monitored via the VCheck24 phone app GPS electronic monitoring system and one defendant with the traditional ankle provider.
- <u>> Community Service</u> WWP has resumed operation.

Court Ordered Investigations: 36 active investigations for Tioga County courts

(Criminal, Family and Surrogate) <u>Supervision:</u> 185 cases ordered by Tioga County Courts a Tamily Court (includes JD Diversion cases)

<u>Violation of Probation petitions:</u> 20 defendants/respondents have violation petitions pending against them in criminal & family count

# Personnel:

One Vacant Probation Officer position One Vacant Part Time Probation Supervisor position One unfunded Probation Officer position

### **Resolution:**

Approve Alternatives to Incarce ation Service Plan 2023-2024 (Committee agreed to move resolution forward)

# OFFICE OF EMERGENCE SERVICES:

Budget on track – spreadsheets attached.

Old Business

# munications Project:

project and add the tower site construction and our own core.

Ron Lanouette of the Law Department reported that he sent out the Leases to property owners during the week of June 26th, 2023.

There has been no response from Motorola regarding the information needed by American Tower to give us an estimate of rental costs to place our equipment at their Spencer site.

Sometime during the month of July Motorola and MNI will visit the sites where the towers will be built to gather specific data regarding the exact locations, elevations and make sure there are no obstructions that could block microwave paths.

The Sheriff's Office has reported that they are experiencing increased failures of their existing portable radios. They reinforced that the radio issues are becoming an Officer safety issue. The base region will be checked on July 3rd to see if there any issues that would all ect the receivers and create problems with portable radio traffic. Portables are now obsolete and starting to fail. This gotten worse over past month.

We can replace the Sheriff's Office portable radios in advance of the new system with multi-band portables that can be used with the current system as well as the new system once i) is constructed. The cost for 50 radios will be outpreximately \$375,000. We can pay for these utilizing existing SICC Formulas Grant money that has to be spent by 12/31/23. We can adjust the number of radios included with the project later.

CAD Project:

Our IT coff is accurely working with State IT to get the State Police vehicles added to the system.

EMS:

MS Coordinator, Cortis Hammond, is working to update the Supply's EMS Muual Aid Plan.

The EMS Coordinator is collecting historical data to identify gaps in EMS Coverage and Response. He will continue to monitor current trends with EMS response in the County and develop potential plans for improvement.

### Emergency Management:

We are continuing to assist with the County Hazard Mitigation Plan. Wendy Walsh and Elaine Jardine are working with the contractor to provide the necessary data and information from the County and other local governments. We have been participating with the State in monitoring Air Quality affected by the Canadian Forest fires. We received masks for distribution last Thursday. They have been made available at 56 Main Street.

### **Threat Assessment Management Program:**

The Threat Assessment Management Draft Plan has been completed. We will be identifying stakeholders to participate in the program.

## Fire:

Fire Investigation has been busier than pormal with 6 investigations.

# Resolutions:

No Resolutions

# **SHERIFF'S OFFICE:**

## Budget:

- Revenues are \$307,514 which is 56% of the budget. Expenditures are at \$5,467,298 which is 52% of the budget. Inmate Boarders are at \$152,212 which is 101% of the budget.
- Update on vacancies Civil Office 1 open part-time Civil Deputy position. Corrections Division 6 open Corrections Officer positions.
  2 open ponetime Coor produces. There is no Corrections Officers on light duty; 2 Corrections Officers on military deployment. 2 new Corrections Officer starting link 5th and 17th; Road Patrol 1 open Deputy position; 1 Deputy currently on light duty; 1 Deputy attending the Broome County Law Enforcement Academy; 2 unfunded Deputy positions; E911 Emergency Communications Center 1 open full-time positions; Records All positions are filled. Administration- 1 open Captain position as of 6/09/2.

Labor sues:

- T.C.L.E.A. (Law Enforcement) negotiations are complete.
- N.C.E.U. (Jail Union) negotiations are ongoing.
- Litigation ongoing.

### Budget:

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### Current Projects:

- 1. Pistol Permit database changeover in progress, youring on data conversion.
- Jail camera replacement project progressing.
- 3. In the planning phase for the VESTA Next Gen 911 system
- 4. Firearm changeover completed.
- 5. Body worn camera project.
- 6. RFP for jail medical contract.

### Miscellaneous:

1. Average daily inmate population for the mouth of June 2023 was 39. There was an average of 6 Federal inmates (180 days) and 2 board-in inmates (67 days) for the month.

### Resolutions:

- 1. Resolution to Authorize the submission of 2022-2023 PSAP Operations Grant Sheriff's Office.
- 2. Resolution authorize contract with Axon Enterprise Inc. for Body Worn Cameras for Sheriff's Office

(Certifications forward)

# CORONER:

### **Resolution:**

esolution to Transfer Funds to Purchase iPad for Coroners. mmittee agreed to move resolution forward)

# EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Administrative Coroner Bennett requested an Executive Session. Legislator Roberts made a motion; Legislator Standinger seconded, to discuss matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation. Time commenced 3:20pm; time adjourned 4:17pm. Attendance - three Legislators along with Coroner Stewart Bennett, Chairperson Sauerbrey, County Attorney Peter DeWind, Legislative Clerk, Cathy Haskell.

Respectfully submitted,

Debora Stubecki, Office Specialist III Office of Emergency Services

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ACCOUNTS FOR: A General Fund

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REVISED BUDGET

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TOTAL Probation Capital	0	25,620	25,620	25,620.02	.00	.00	100.0%	
TOTAL Capital Fund	0	25,620	25,620	25,620.02	.00	.00	100.0%	

TOTAL EXPENSES

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1,317,843	ORIGINAL APPROP	
92,241	TRANFRS/ ADJSTMTS	
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599,895.65	AVAILABLE BUDGET	l
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# Public Safety Committee Meeting Probation Department Report August 8, 2023

# **Budget Status:**

2023 Revenue Budget:

- \$800 of DWI Supervision fee collected in July. \$5,270 collected to date in 2023
- \$2,303.85 in restitution and surcharge collected in July. \$9,778.85 collected to date in 2023

# Current Business:

1. Budget – Presentation of 2024 Probation Budget. See attached proposed budget with notations where there are increases or decreases to existing budget lines.

# Points of Emphasis

- Decrease of \$5,000 Stop DWI funding from Sheriff's Office
- Increase of \$14,000 to training line for mandatory additional training
- Professional conferences Six Probation staff attended the statewide Probation Officer Association (POA) Annual Conference in Syracuse the week of July 24, 2023. One Probation Officer will be attending the national American Probation and Parole Association (APPA) conference in New York City in August. Two staff members received scholarships to attend POA and one staff member received a scholarship to attend APPA.
- 3. Probation has scheduled a meeting with representatives from the Tioga County Department of Social Services and the County Attorney's Office to develop "Pathways to Placement." The meeting is scheduled for July 18, 2023. Developing agreed upon Pathways, will eliminate confusion about each agency's responsibilities in the placement process.

**<u>Update</u>**: Meeting was held on July 18, 2023. All parties agreed on Pathways which delineate duties which should improve efficiency and outcomes.

- 4. Community engagement Probation attended and staffed a table at the Annual Tioga County Children's Picnic held at Marvin Park on Saturday, July 15, 2023. This was Probation's first attempt at tabling at a public event. It was a productive day and we learned a great deal for upcoming events.
- 5. A Zoom orientation call was held with the CEO of IPPC Technologies to explain the technology and procedures used by their company. IPPS Technologies is a company which monitors devices used by sex offenders to access the internet. The County Attorney has approved the MOU with IPPC Technologies. Assuming there are no complications, this Director will present a Resolution in the near future to enter into an MOU to utilize IPPC Technologies services.

6. Succession Planning – Supervision cases have been redistributed from Senior Probation Officer Fred Kiechle's caseload to other officers to allow him to shadow retiring Probation Officer Teri Rosenberger. SPO Kiechle is slowing assuming the responsibilities under the supervision of Supervisor Rosenberger to assure a smooth transition.

# 7. Juvenile Delinquency Services:

July of 2023- There were no Juvenile Delinquency Appearance Tickets (JDAT) received for the month of July.

YTD: 8 JDATs received to date.

- E- Connect: To date, five youth have been screened in 2023. As a result of the E-Connect screening, one youth was found to be below threshold and not in need of an immediate mental health referral. Three youth were found to be a level II and were referred for a mental health evaluation. One youth was found to be a level III and agreed to schedule an appointment at TCDMH.
- There are no youth currently in juvenile sex offender treatment.

# ATI Programs:

- <u>Electronic Monitoring</u> There are currently two individuals being monitored via the VCheck24 phone app GPS electronic monitoring system and one defendant with the traditional ankle monitor.
- <u>Community Service</u> WWP has resumed operation. The number of court orders are increasing resulting in larger crews.
- <u>Pre-Trial Release</u> There are 14 people being supervised via the Pre-Trial Release Program

**Court Ordered Investigations:** 28 active investigations for Tioga County courts (Criminal, Family and Surrogate)

**Supervision:** 192 cases ordered by Tioga County courts & Family Court (includes JD Diversion cases)

Violation of Probation petitions: 23 defendants/respondents have violation petitions pending against them in criminal & family court.

# Personnel:

One Vacant Probation Officer position One Vacant Part Time Probation Supervisor position One unfunded Probation Officer position

# Resolutions: None

**Budget Notes** 



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			9		weeks to 9 weeks. We have reallocated \$4000.00 from other appropriations to help offset some of the increase. As such we are requesting additional \$14000 in funding to cover the costs associated with the new mandated training requirements.
	540733 - Training/All Other	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	
	581088 - State Retirement Fringe	\$102,677.58	\$\$\$,216.00	(\$17,461.58)	
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	510010 - Fulltime	\$13,705.00	\$13,705.00	\$0.00	
	510020 - Part Time/Temporary	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	
	510040 - Workers Compensation	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	
	510050 - All Other-On Call,Cloth,Stipe,	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	
	540140 - Contracting Services	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00	\$0.00	
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Notes	Difference	2024 Budget	2023 Budget	Obj	Drg





GARY W. HOWARD Sheriff 103 Corporate Dr., Owego, N.Y. 13827 (607) 687-1010 – Owego (607) 754-2515 – Endicott (607) 565-2213 – Waverly (607) 687-6755 - Fax Website: www.tiogacountysheriff.com RICHARD E. HALLETT Undersheriff

TO: Brian Cain – Probation Director FROM: Rich Hallett RE: 2024 STOP DWI Budget

Per our conversation regarding the 2024 budget for the STOP DWI Program, revenue has decreased again this year necessitating cuts to the overall budget spending. For 2024, Probation will be reduced from \$10,000.00 to \$5,000.00 and the reimbursement for urine test kits is being reduced from \$3,000.00 to \$2,500.00. If you need any further information or have any questions, please feel free to contact me.



KATHY HOCHUL Governor ROSSANA ROSADO Commissioner ROBERT MACCARONE Deputy Commissioner and Director

TO: Probation Directors and Staff Development Officers

FROM: Robert M. Maccarone, Deputy Commissioner and *RINCIN* Director, Probation and Correctional Alternatives

DATE: April 21, 2022

SUBJECT: State Director's Memorandum # 2022-2 New Probation Officer Training, Effective January 1, 2023 NYS Basic Course for Peace Officers (BCPO)

All Probation Officers hired on or after January 1, 2023, will be required to complete the Basic Course for Peace Officers (BCPO) Training, as approved by the Municipal Police Training Council (MPTC) within one year of hire. The Municipal Police Training Council met most recently on March 9, 2022, wherein it passed a resolution, that effectively establishes January 1, 2023, as the date all newly hired Probation Officers in New York State will be required to complete the BCPO Training. The BCPO curriculum is currently 162 hours or the equivalent of six weeks of training. During the past year, the BCPO curriculum was expanded to include 40 hours of Defensive Tactics training and 21 hours of Crisis Intervention Training—both are invaluable training for probation officers. The 14 Police Zone Training Commanders are fully equipped to provide the BCPO to all Peace Officers in New York State. including Probation Officers.

As you know, since 2005, the statutorily required Peace Officer Training has been satisfied by Probation Officers completing the *Fundamentals of Probation Practice (FPP)* offered by our seven local probation training academies, located in Albany, Erie, Monroe, Nassau, New York City, Westchester, and Suffolk counties. This curriculum was last updated in 2019 when the DCJS Office of Probation and Correctional Alternatives collaborated with curriculum authors, Orbis Partners, enhancing the content of *FPP* to implement the Raise the Age Law in New York State. The enhanced curriculum included many of the subject areas and much of the skill development included in the Probation Specialized Juvenile Justice Training (PSJJT), including client engagement, procedural justice, race and equity, trauma informed care, sexual orientation, gender identification, and expression (SOGIE) and specialized populations--women and girls in the justice system.

The implementation of the BCPO for all newly hired Probation Officers, effective January 1, 2023, as approved by the Municipal Police Training Council, allows OPCA, Probation Departments, and counties/City of New York sufficient time to identify viable BCPO training locations, to plan and request budgets to support this required training, and to consider any change in examination announcements and related hiring practices to meet the new training requirements.

Since learning of this new training requirement, DCJS-OPCA has reached out to zone commanders in all 14 zones in New York State. They stand ready to meet the BCPO training needs of Peace Officers and

newly hired Probation Officers. The zones are established for the coordination of police academies. Many of these academies also run Peace Officer training for the titles of peace officers in NYS. The BCPO curriculum is required training for each of these peace officer titles defined in <u>CPL §2.10</u>. To assist Probation Departments, OPCA has developed an interactive Google <u>map</u> identifying at least one possible BCPO training location in each of the 14 zones. If additional sites are identified, they will be added to the map. It is important to recognize that while this new requirement does significantly increase the total time that newly hired Probation Officers will spend in training, from four to nine weeks, including FPP, it will increase the knowledge base of new and future Probation Officers and advance the credentials associated with the probation profession in New York State.

Of note, Probation Training Academies and Staff Development Officers, in association with OPCA and the statewide Probation Training Committee, have begun working toward providing a combined BCPO-FPP training for newly hired Probation Officers. This is exciting as it also presents the opportunity to fully develop the BCPO and ensure that various training scenarios are probation centric. This effort will ensure uniformity in the delivery of the BCPO-FPP training curriculum, including student training materials, and examinations. This is essential to the success of Probation Officers in performing the complex responsibilities associated with their jobs and will ensure that probation in New York remains a national leader in evidence-based practice.

Importantly, although the effective date for newly hired Probation Officers to complete the BCPO is January 1, 2023, DCJS-OPCA encourages departments to have Probation Officers hired in 2022 attend the BCPO, if available. It is excellent training. During OPCA's communications with the various zone commanders, we learned that each zone operates its' own schedule in offering the BCPO, and costs vary from \$0 to \$2500 per Peace Officer. In some zones, the course is offered once a year and in others, on nights and weekends. We encourage Probation Directors to take a proactive approach and plan accordingly to avoid potential delays in having Probation Officers trained and fully certified to perform duties as Peace Officers.

There is much work that remains to be done this year, and through 2023 as we work to ensure compliance with the BCPO training requirements and advance the goals of Probation Training in New York State. We will continue to apprise Directors and Staff Development Officers as we go forward together.

Thank you.