## PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE AGENDA EMERGENCY SERVICES SEPTEMBER 3, 2024 2:30 PM

- o APPROVAL OF MINUTES June 4, 2024, July 2, 2024, August 6, 2024
- o FINANCIAL
  - o YTD Report
- OLD BUSINESS
  - Radio Project
  - o CAD Project
  - o EMS
  - o Emergency Management
  - o Threat Assessment Team
  - o Fire
  - o Personnel
- **RESOLUTIONS**

103- Vera Clark SAR

I04- P Ward SAR

105- VanHall HazMat

I12- Amend Agreement with Motorola Change Order #6 (Vesta)

113- Approve Sole Source Purchase I Am Responding Emergency Notification Program

119- Authorize Appointment of Deputy Director of Emergency Services

- PROCLAMATIONS NONE
- ADJOURNMENT

## Financial:

Budget: Within Budget - See attached spreadsheets.

## Old Business:

## **Radio Project:**

The final construction drawings are being reviewed and permitting will be completed shortly. Steel will be ordered to begin tower construction. Equipment is being staged to be dispersed to the existing towers.

Dispatch had a live cutover August 6-9<sup>th</sup>. The new carpet, furniture, computers, etc. are all installed, as well as the new VESTA phone system. There is a resolution to add Aware911 to the Vesta system at no charge.

Storms once again has taken down primary lines to the Shirley Rd tower on 8/19, this left the repeater down again with no coverage for fire and EMS in the northern part of the county. O'Connell Electric was able to come out again and make the emergency repairs and restore communication in the North end of the county. O'Connell is concerned about the trees around the lines – we will be working to determine if we are able to remove trees to prevent further issues. We are also sending a letter to others who utilize the tower to discuss cost sharing of repairs.

Highway is assisting in creating an RFP for work that will need to be completed at the Prospect Tower site, including a driveway, a new roof, and tree work.

## CAD Project:

CAD is working well. Other fire departments are working to join, as well as more EMS agencies.

## EMS:

No significant changes in county EMS coverage. The same issues continue to exist in regards to manpower shortages.

EMT class began August 19<sup>th</sup> and will run through December 19<sup>th</sup>. They have 15 students in this class.

## **Emergency Management:**

There is discussion with Soil and Water about reaching out to State and Federal partners to keep the Owego stream gauge operational.

## Threat Assessment Team:

Corinne was accepted last year and will be completing a Master Trainer course for the ID-TERC course in September.

## Fire:

Fire departments have continued to be very busy.

There is a resolution to renew and pay for the "I Am Responding" program that departments use for paging and call response tracking.

There are resolutions to appoint Vera Clark and Penelope Ward to the Search and Rescue team, and Richard VanHall to the Hazmat team.

## **New Business:**

None

## Personnel:

There is a resolution to appoint William Ellis to the Deputy Director position, starting September 23, 2024. Ellis has county knowledge that will assist him in the transition.

## **Resolutions:**

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# Tioga County YEAR-TO-DATE BUDGET REPORT

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REFERRED TO:

## PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

**RESOLUTION NO. -24** 

ACCEPTANCE OF THE APPLICATION FOR VERA CLARK TIOGA COUNTY SEARCH AND RESCUE TEAM

WHEREAS: The NYS Environmental Conservation Law gives authority to the DEC Forest Rangers to direct search and rescue missions as well as provide training and support to other agencies that do the same; and

WHEREAS: New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Forest Rangers respond to search and rescue incidents statewide. Working with other state agencies, local emergency response organizations, and volunteer search and rescue groups, Forest Rangers locate, and extract lost, injured, or distressed people from across New York State; and

WHEREAS: This service is provided by local, highly trained volunteers; and

WHEREAS: Vera Clark currently possesses training and skills needed by the Tioga County Search and Rescue Team; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That Vera Clark be added to the Tioga County Search and Rescue Team roster.

REFERRED TO:

## PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

**RESOLUTION NO. -24** 

ACCEPTANCE OF THE APPLICATION FOR PENELOPE WARD TIOGA COUNTY SEARCH AND RESCUE TEAM

WHEREAS: The NYS Environmental Conservation Law gives authority to the DEC Forest Rangers to direct search and rescue missions as well as provide training and support to other agencies that do the same; and

WHEREAS: New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Forest Rangers respond to search and rescue incidents statewide. Working with other state agencies, local emergency response organizations, and volunteer search and rescue groups, Forest Rangers locate, and extract lost, injured, or distressed people from across New York State; and

WHEREAS: This service is provided by local, highly trained volunteers; and

WHEREAS: Penelope Ward currently possesses training and skills needed by the Tioga County Search and Rescue Team; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That Penelope Ward be added to the Tioga County Search and Rescue Team roster.

REFERRED TO:

## PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

## RESOLUTION NO. -24 ACCEPTANCE OF THE APPLICATION FOR RICHARD VAN HALL TIOGA COUNTY HAZ-MAT TEAM

WHEREAS: The Office of Emergency Services provides high quality Hazardous Materials Team support to the Fire Service in Tioga County and adjacent counties through the NYS Fire Mutual Aid Plan; and

WHEREAS: This service is provided by local, highly trained volunteers; and

WHEREAS: Richard VanHall has applied for membership to the County Haz-Mat Team; and

WHEREAS: Richard VanHall currently possesses training and skills needed by the Tioga County Haz-Mat Team to work at the Entry Level of the Team; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That Richard VanHall be added to the Tioga County Haz-Mat Team roster.

REFERRED TO:	PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE FINANCE, LEGAL & SAFETY COMMITTEE
RESOLUTION NO24	AMEND RESOLUTION NO. 291-19; AUTHORIZE AMENDED AGREEMENT WITH MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS CHANGE ORDER # 6

WHEREAS: Resolution No. 291-19 authorized the Director of Emergency Services to enter into an agreement with Motorola Solutions for a P25 Phase 1 Digital Simulcast Trunked Radio System at an amount not to exceed \$9,620,000; and

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

WHEREAS: Change Order #1 separated the Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) from the Radio Tower Project at no cost to the County; and

WHEREAS: By Resolution No. 23-22, the Legislature authorized Change Order #2 for additional tower sites, equipment and conversion to a P25 Phase 2 Digital Simulcast Trunked Radio System for a cost not to exceed \$3,100,000; and

WHEREAS: By Resolution No. 152-22, the Legislature authorized Change Order # 3 to include adding Owego Police to the Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD); adding Digital Evidence Module for Owego; adding Pictometry for Mapping; adding Rapid Notification Module; and Data Transfer Costs for a cost not to exceed \$133,020.84; and

WHEREAS: By Resolution No. 20-23 and Resolution No. 123-24, the Legislature authorized the County to enter into a lease with Motorola Solutions at an amount not to exceed \$4,044,973.15; and

WHEREAS: By Resolution No. 444-23, the Legislature authorized Change Order #4 to include the additional cost of building 4 new tower sites, refurbishing one county owned site, adding our equipment to PA State Police site and additional enhancements to radio and telephone equipment that has changed since the original contract of 2019 for an additional cost not to exceed \$5,650,000; and

WHEREAS: By Resolution No. 199-24, the Legislature authorized Change Order #5 to include a shelter and generator for the Ballou Road tower site at a cost not to exceed \$619,642.08 with Motorola Solutions; and

WHEREAS: With the progression of the radio project, it is necessary to add the Aware for 911 product line, at no additional cost to the County, to facilitate the implementation of 911 Data Assist (RAVE); therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the County Legislature hereby authorizes an amended agreement by way of Change Order #6 with Motorola Solutions, 500 West Monroe Street, 44<sup>th</sup> Floor, Chicago, IL 60661 to add the Aware for 911 product line at no cost to the county; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Chair of the Legislature be authorized to execute Motorola's Change Order #6, after review and approval by the County Attorney.

## REFERRED TO: PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE FINANCE/LEGAL & SAFETY COMMITTEE RESOLUTION NO. -24 APPROVE SOLE SOURCE PURCHASE

NO. -24 APPROVE SOLE SOURCE PURCHASE I AM RESPONDING EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION PROGRAM EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

WHEREAS: Legislative approval is required for all sole source purchases; and

WHEREAS: The Director of Emergency Services would like to continue the renewal subscription for the I Am Responding emergency notification program and has received a quote in the amount of \$11,224, from a sole source provider, Emergency Services Marketing Corp., Inc. which has been determined to be in the county's best interest; and

WHEREAS: There are sufficient funds available in the State Homeland Security 2022 Grant, account A3360.540140.SHS22; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature authorizes the Director of Emergency Services to enter into an agreement with Emergency Services Marketing Corp., Inc., for the one-year subscription to the I Am Responding emergency notification program, in the amount of \$11,224, which will be paid from account A3360.540140.SHS22.

REFERRED TO:	PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
	PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

## RESOLUTION NO. -24 AUTHORIZE APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

WHEREAS: Legislative approval is required for any appointment to a Management/Confidential position within Tioga County; and

WHEREAS: The Deputy Director of Emergency Services position has been vacant since February 12, 2024; and

WHEREAS: A qualified candidate has been interviewed and selected; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That William Ellis be provisionally appointed to the title of Deputy Director of Emergency Services at an annual Management/Confidential salary of \$62,700 effective September 23, 2024, pending successful completion of civil service examination requirements; and be it further

RESOLVED: That in accordance with Tioga County Employee Handbook Management/Confidential Benefits policy, Mr. Ellis shall be eligible for any authorized 2025 Management/Confidential salary increase effective March 23, 2025, following a successful six-month evaluation.