



# Onondaga County Legislature

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## PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES – AUGUST 23, 2022 MARK A. OLSON, CHAIRMAN

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mr. Knapp, Mr. Garland

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Mr. McBride, Mr. Ryan

**ALSO ATTENDING:** Mrs. Ervin (see also attached)

Chair Olson called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. *The minutes of the previous meeting had been distributed, and there were no objections to waiving the reading. An email was sent by Leader Ryan requesting an addendum to the minutes. The committee was in favor of approving the minutes with the addendum, so the minutes were approved as corrected.*

**1. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (E911): Dan Wears, Commissioner**  
**a. 2022 Transfer Resolution (\$15,000)**

- Annual transfer for the Volunteer Fireman's Association for public safety education and firefighter training
- Not requesting more for the transfer
- Done for 11 years now, to make improvements for trailer, put money away to replace trailer
- Long term plan to replace the public education trailer they take to other events

*A motion was made by Mr. Knapp, seconded by Mr. Garland, to approve item 1a.*

**b. Authorizing Execution of Agreements Regarding Mutual Aid Services Provided for Incident Response in Onondaga County by the Liverpool Fire Department**

- Intermunicipal agreement with Jamesville Fire Dept. where resources were located at the Jamesville DOT building
  - Part of plan moved to Liverpool, moved majority of assets to the new location at Electronics Parkway
  - Enter into mutual aid agreement with Liverpool Fire, primary purpose is to support animal response team and to move that trailer anywhere around the county where needed
  - Broadened agreement to cover any of trailer or resources if tight on staff or an urgent need; would dispatch through 911 and pick up those resources and take anywhere in the county
- Timing for move would be 1 year out (construction guess)
- At final stage, getting engineer on board to do engineering studies and designs of what will go to bid
- Have federal grant, but waiting on award letter; can start spending money September 1st
- Animal response team - when there is a situation, glad to have it; Mark Burger, Soil & Water Director, very involved with this, especially with response time with (i.e.) horses in quicksand
- Moving assets from Jamesville to Liverpool, it will not affect response times if anything happens in Jamesville; will improve it, will be a quicker time to retrieve assets and easier to get other places
- Everything will move into one building

*A motion was made by Mr. Knapp, seconded by Mr. Olson, to approve item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.*

Chair Olson called for a vote on item 1a.

***Item 1a passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.***

**c. A Local Law Providing for the Administration and Enforcement of the New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code and Establishing Rules and Regulations for Administration and Enforcement of the Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code**

- Required to adopt NYS building code in which Emergency Management enforces for all county owned and operated facilities for building and construction projects
  - Has to be updated by end of year to continue to allow EM to enforce code
  - Change is for mobile food trucks - now required to be inspected if operated on county property, been doing inspections, not issuing permits to make sure safe and no violations
  - Adds requirement of inspecting parking garages on 3 year basis
  - Have ability to do remote inspections if needed – videotape/take photos for inspections
  - Those are the 3 major changes; will have very little impact on what EM does and how they do it
- Law has looked at it and drafted it
- Essentially a copy and paste to what the state sends out as 1203, if not adopted, no longer enforce code upon county, then at whim of state to do code enforcement
- Is there a checklist for food trucks, is that available for municipalities? Yes, there is a lot of discussion on that
- Concern in towns with knowing to notify police and fire to give them some information to help them in response

***A motion was made by Mr. Knapp, seconded by Mr. Garland, to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.***

Mr. Garland introduced Yvonne Griffin, President of the local chapter of “We the People”

Justice Center

- Slacking in education, mental health and medical services/resources
- Jail ministry is the only program allowed in the Justice Center right now and only allowed to see people on 5b
- AA programs have been cancelled for past three years (pre-COVID)
- NA programs have been cancelled for past three years (pre-COVID)
- Brown water has been reported coming out of the sink for inmates
- Mold suspected to be going through the vents when AC is on causing allergies
- No masks worn by deputies, some assumed to not be vaccinated, exposure worry
- *Suggestions:*
  - NaphCare is not working – let the contract go
  - Hillbrook seeing the same doctor as those in Justice Center; suggesting it be child psychologist at Hillbrook
  - Listen to all the deputies
- 54 females in 1 unit
- Inmates going through withdrawals is medical necessity; detox can lead to death

Chair Olson stated that he will have the Justice Center Oversight Committee on the next agenda to discuss their recommendations sent via letter.

***A motion was made by Mr. Knapp, seconded by Mr. Garland to adjourn the meeting. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.***

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



DEBBIE KAMINSKI, Assistant Clerk  
Onondaga County Legislature

### ATTENDANCE

COMMITTEE: **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

DATE: **AUGUST 23, 2022**

NAME (Please Print)	DEPARTMENT/AGENCY
Kristi Smiley	Finance
Dan Weass	EM
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Tenesha Murphy	CE office