

The Legislature of Rockland County



JAY HOOD, JR.

Legislator – District 3

Chair, Public Safety Committee

Members Present:

Leg. J. Hood, Jr. Chair
Leg. Chair H. Cornell
Leg. T. Earl, Vice Chair
Leg. A. Wolfe
Leg. C. Carey
Leg. E. Day
Leg. A. Paul

Members Absent:

Others Present:

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| L. Falco | Leg. D. Jobson | L. Incalcaterra | M. Barberra |
| E. Yeger, Esq. | B. Atkins | T. Grosselfinger | K. Nulty |
| R. VanCura | Leg. P. Soskin | G. Wren | M. Sullivan |
| D. Greely | B. Moane | C. Miller | A. Feuer |
| P. Brennan | R. Van Cura | R. Sentell | K. Mahoney |

MINUTES

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, JULY 30, 2013

5:15 PM

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ADOPTION OF MINUTES, MEETING OF JUNE 25, 2013

MOTION TO ADOPT:

CAREY/EARL

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1. REF. #4249 - APPROVING ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$144,800 FROM THE NEW YORK STATE DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES (DCJS #VW12543346) FOR THE STOP VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN PROGRAM (DEPT. 1164) FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2013 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2013 WITH A LOCAL SHARE OF \$76,445 AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE [OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY] (\$144,800)
(THOMAS ZUGIBE, DISTRICT ATTORNEY)

MOTION TO APPROVE:

PAUL/WOLFE, DAY

UNAN

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LEGS. HOOD, CORNELL, EARL, CAREY, PAUL, DAY, WOLFE, JOBSON

2. REF. #5327 APPROVING THE PURCHASES IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 FROM COMNETIX, INC. FOR DIGITAL FINGERPRINTING SYSTEMS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$161,767 UNDER NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF GENERAL SERVICES CONTRACT NO. PT63109 TO UPGRADE/REPLACE THE CURRENT EQUIPMENT LOCATED AT THE ROCKLAND COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND THE CLARKSTOWN, RAMAPO, SPRING VALLEY AND SUFFERN POLICE STATIONS WITH ALL PURCHASES TO BE MADE BY FORMAL PURCHASE ORDER [DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES – DIVISION OF PURCHASING] (\$161,767)
(GERRY WALSH, DGS-PURCHASING)

MOTION TO APPROVE:
EARL/DAY

UNAN
TRANSFER TO B&F 7/30/13

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3. REF. #5327/
7666 APPROPRIATION OF FEDERAL FORFEITURE FUNDS REQUESTED BY THE SHERIFF IN THE AMOUNT OF \$170,000 TO COVER PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF A NEW TAIL BOOM FOR THE COUNTY HELICOPTER AND APPROVING AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 WITH STERLING HELICOPTER IN THE ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$170,000 (PREVIOUS CONTRACT AMOUNT BEING \$150,000) IN ORDER FOR STERLING HELICOPTER TO PURCHASE AND INSTALL A NEW TAIL BOOM FOR THE COUNTY HELICOPTER FOR A TOTAL CONTRACT SUM WITH STERLING HELICOPTER NOT TO EXCEED \$320,000 UNDER RFP-RC-2011-012 FOR THE PERIOD MARCH 1, 2012 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2013 AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF SAID CONTRACT AMENDMENT BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE [OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF] (\$320,000)
(LOUIS FALCO, SHERIFF)

Sheriff Falco said the helicopter needed to have repairs because of issues it faced or else it would be out of service.

MOTION TO APPROVE:
CAREY/DAY

UNAN
TRANSFER TO B&F 7/30/13

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4. REF. #6704 - APPROVING AN INTERMUNICIPAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$15,000 BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND AND THE VILLAGE OF HAVERSTRAW IN ORDER FOR SAID VILLAGE TO PROVIDE DRUG MARKET INTERVENTION CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2013 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2013 AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF THE AGREEMENT BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE [OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY] (\$15,000)
(THOMAS ZUGIBE, DISTRICT ATTORNEY)

MOTION TO APPROVE:
WOLFE/DAY

UNAN
TRANSFER TO B&F 7/30/13

ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. HOOD, CORNELL, EARL, CAREY, PAUL, DAY, WOLFE, JOBSON

5. REF. #6704 - APPROPRIATION OF FEDERAL FORFEITURE FUNDS REQUESTED BY THE OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY TO PURCHASE A MOTOR VEHICLE, TECHNOLOGY/INVESTIGATIVE EQUIPMENT, AND INVESTIGATIVE SOFTWARE/SUPPLIES FOR THE REGIONAL INVESTIGATIVE RESOURCE CENTER AS APPROVED BY ROCKLAND'S LAW ENFORCEMENT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE WITH ALL PURCHASES TO BE MADE BY FORMAL PURCHASE ORDER [OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY] (\$237,815)
(THOMAS ZUGIBE, DISTRICT ATTORNEY)

MOTION TO APPROVE:
DAY/CAREY, PAUL

UNAN
TRANSFER TO B&F 7/30/13

ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. HOOD, CORNELL, EARL, CAREY, PAUL, DAY, WOLFE, JOBSON

6. REF. #6704 - APPROPRIATION OF FEDERAL FORFEITURE FUNDS REQUESTED BY THE OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY TO PURCHASE HELMETS FOR LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AS APPROVED BY ROCKLAND'S LAW ENFORCEMENT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE [OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY] (\$213,204)
(THOMAS ZUGIBE, DISTRICT ATTORNEY)

MOTION TO APPROVE: UNAN
EARL/DAY TRANSFER TO B&F 7/30/13

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7. REF. #6704 - APPROVING AN INTERMUNICIPAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$21,840 (NCTD) BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND (THROUGH ITS OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY) AND THE TOWN OF CLARKSTOWN IN ORDER TO REIMBURSE SAID TOWN FOR THE PURCHASE OF RIFLES WITHIN THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2013 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2013 USING FEDERAL FORFEITURE FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED VIA RESOLUTION NO. 550 OF 2012 AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF THE AGREEMENT BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE [OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY] (\$21,840)
(THOMAS ZUGIBE, DISTRICT ATTORNEY)

MOTION TO APPROVE: UNAN
CAREY/PAUL TRANSFER TO B&F 7/30/13

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8. REF. #9252 - APPROVING AN INTERMUNICIPAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND AND THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO PROVIDE THE COUNTY WITH PERMISSION TO INSTALL EMERGENCY GENERATORS [NO COUNTY FUNDS] FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 2, 2013 THROUGH JANUARY 30, 2018 AND AUTHORIZING ITS EXECUTION BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE [OFFICE OF FIRE AND EMERGENCY]
(GORDON W. WREN, FIRE AND EMERGENCY)

MOTION TO APPROVE: UNAN
EARL/CORNELL TRANSFER TO B&F 7/30/13

ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. HOOD, CORNELL, EARL, CAREY, PAUL, DAY, WOLFE, JOBSON

9. REF. #9252 - ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDS HAZMAT MATERIALS GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$71,000 (NCTD) FROM THE NEW YORK STATE DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES FOR THE MAINTENANCE AND CALIBRATION OF EQUIPMENT AND ENHANCING THE CAPABILITIES OF THE REGIONAL HAZMAT TEAM (ROCKLAND, ORANGE, ULSTER AND SULLIVAN COUNTIES) FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 24, 2012 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2014 AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF ALL NECESSARY GRANT DOCUMENTS BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE [OFFICE OF FIRE AND EMERGENCY] (\$71,000)
(GORDON W. WREN, FIRE AND EMERGENCY)

MOTION TO APPROVE: UNAN
CORNELL/WOLFE, EARL TRANSFER TO B&F 7/30/13

ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. HOOD, CORNELL, EARL, CAREY, PAUL, DAY, WOLFE, JOBSON

10. REF. #9361 - APPROVING AN INTERMUNICIPAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND AND THE TOWN OF CLARKSTOWN IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$50,000 AS PARTIAL REIMBURSEMENT TO SAID TOWNS FOR OVERTIME COSTS RELATED TO M.A.C.T.A.C. TRAINING COURSES TAUGHT BY CLARKSTOWN OFFICERS AT THE R.C. POLICE ACADEMY DURING THE YEAR 2011 WITH SAID AMOUNT BEING COVERED BY A STATE HOMELAND SECURITY PROGRAM (SHSP) GRANT AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THIS AGREEMENT BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE [OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF] (\$50,000)
(LOUIS FALCO, SHERIFF)

MOTION TO APPROVE: UNAN
CAREY/CORNELL TRANSFER TO B&F 7/30/13

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11. REF. #9361 - APPROVING AN INTERMUNICIPAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND AND THE VILLAGE OF SPRING VALLEY TO REIMBURSE SAID VILLAGE FOR \$1,933.96 OF COSTS RELATED TO THE ATTENDANCE OF FOUR SPRING VALLEY OFFICERS AT A NEW YORK TACTICAL OFFICERS TRAINING CONFERENCE IN APRIL 2013 USING GRANT FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT THAT GRANTING AUTHORITY APPROVED FOR THIS PURPOSE AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF SAID AGREEMENT BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE [SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT] (\$1,933.96)
(LOUIS FALCO, SHERIFF)

MOTION TO APPROVE: UNAN
EARL/PAUL TRANSFER TO B&F 7/30/13

ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. HOOD, CORNELL, EARL, CAREY, PAUL, DAY, WOLFE, JOBSON

12. REF. #9361 - ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$84,000 (NCTD) FROM THE NEW YORK STATE DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES (GRANT #WM12839812) TO UPGRADE ROBOT EQUIPMENT WITHIN THE SHERIFF'S BOMB DISPOSAL UNIT AND TO PURCHASE A CHEMICAL DETECTOR FOR SAID UNIT FOR THE PERIOD MAY 14, 2013 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2014 AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF ALL NECESSARY GRANT DOCUMENTS BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE [OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF] (\$84,000)
(LOUIS FALCO, SHERIFF)

MOTION TO APPROVE: UNAN
PAUL/EARL TRANSFER TO B&F 7/30/13

ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. HOOD, CORNELL, EARL, CAREY, PAUL, DAY, WOLFE, JOBSON

13. REF. #9361 - APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS RECEIVED FROM GRAN FONDO NEW YORK IN ORDER TO REIMBURSE THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FOR OPERATIONAL OVERTIME EXPENDITURES INCURRED IN CONNECTION WITH THE MAY 2013 GRAN FONDO BIKE RACE [OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF] (\$1,103.52)
(LOUIS FALCO, SHERIFF)

MOTION TO APPROVE: UNAN
CORNELL/DAY TRANSFER TO B&F 7/30/13

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14. REF. #5327 - **DISCUSSION ITEM: INTER-MUNICIPAL PLANNING DETAILS-SHERIFF/EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION(S)
(HON. CHRISTOPHER CAREY, LEGISLATURE)**

Legislator Carey said that the Sheriff added dispatchers to handle EMT calls, but there ought to have been more discussions among local law enforcement about this plan.

Sheriff Falco said that with the increase in call volume and loss of personnel there was a need to add dispatchers. Departments that don't wish to have the county handle the calls will still be able to answer their own calls.

Chief Miller of Haverstraw said that he supports the county's work because it is difficult for the local department to train the police department to handle EMT calls.

Chief Moore of Stony Point added that handling EMT calls was a burden so his department would benefit from this as well.

Chief Nulty of Orangetown said that while there are dispatchers in his town, this program would alleviate staffing needs and help handle the call load.

Chief Sullivan of Clarkstown said that while he initially had concerns, after speaking with Sheriff Falco, the Sheriff assured him that calls would be directed to Clarkstown's dispatch center, alleviating the department's concerns.

Chair Hood stated that the program seemed to be beneficial, particularly to towns that need this service.

DISCUSSED

**MOTION TO ADJOURN: 5:45 PM
CAREY/EARL**

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