

LAW ENFORCEMENT & JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

September 14, 2011

9:00 A.M.

Chairman O'Melia called the meeting to order at 9:12 a.m. in the Community Room of the Oneida County Law Enforcement Center.

LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chairman David O'Melia, Member Jack Young, Member Paul Dean, and Member Billy Fried. Vice Chairman Bob Metropulos was on the way.

OTHERS PRESENT: Chief Deputy John Sweeney, District Attorney Mike Bloom, Medical Examiner Traci England, Judicial Assistant Branch II Deb Shawl, Judicial Assistant Branch I Kathy Belliveau, Clerk of Circuit Court Brenda Behrle, Corporation Counsel Brian Desmond, and Recording Secretary Jill Butzlaff.

Motion by Dean to approve the September 14, 2011, 2011, agenda as posted, second was offered by Young, all ayes on voice vote; the motion carried 4-0.

The August 24, 2011 minutes were tabled until the next scheduled meeting.

MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION / ACTION:

Clerk of Circuit Court -2012 Budget

Clerk of Circuit Court, Brenda Behrle, was present. Behrle distributed the budget to the Committee. Behrle noted revenues are down, which likely is due to forfeiture collections being lower. Behrle noted she has reviewed the budget with Finance Director, Margie Sorensen. Behrle stated it is difficult to collect money with the state of the economy. Brief discussion followed regarding various line items in the Clerk of Court's budget. Behrle noted the office continues to process passports, which is time consuming. If this service were eliminated, the revenues would decrease, but it would allow the staff more time to perform other duties. Brief discussion followed regarding jail assessment revenue that is in the Clerk of Court's budget, but is utilized for jail expenses.

Motion by Fried to approve the Clerk of Court's 2012 budget and forward to the Finance Committee for approval, second by Dean, all ayes on voice vote; the motion carried 4-0.

AUDIT OF ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENTS

Following examination of financial information submitted by the Clerk of Court's, Fried made a motion to approve vouchers, BPO Reports, and other financial information as submitted, second by Dean, all ayes on voice vote; the motion carried 4-0.

MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION / ACTION:

District Attorney - 2012 Budget

District Attorney, Mike Bloom, was present. Bloom presented the District Attorney's budget to the Committee. Brief discussion followed regarding the various line items. Bloom stated the budget had been reviewed with Finance Director, Margie Sorenson.

Motion by Dean to approve the District Attorney's budget and forward to the Finance Committee for approval, second by O'Melia, all ayes on voice vote; the motion carried 4-0.

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District Attorney - Request monies for upcoming Schmidt trial

District Attorney, Mike Bloom, was present. Bloom noted that there could be costs associated with paying three out of the area witnesses. Bloom noted the office has not had to hire an expert for several years.

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Bloom explained the process to approve these additional expenditures if necessary. Discussion was information only, no action taken.

Medical Examiner - 2012 Budget

Medical Examiner, Traci England, was present. England noted the 2012 budget does not have any changes. Brief discussion followed regarding Forest County revenues and expense line items.

Motion by Dean to approve the Medical Examiner's budget and forward to the Finance Committee for approval, second by Metropulos, all ayes on voice vote; the motion carried 5-0.

Circuit Court Branch I - Amended Budget

Circuit Court Branch II - Amended Budget

Judicial Assistant Branch I, Kathleen Belliveau, and Judicial Assistant Branch II, Deb Shawl, were present. Belliveau and Shawl had their budgets approved last month, but Finance Director, Margie Sorenson, recommended they decrease their state aides by \$7,000.

Motion by Fried to approve the amended Branch I 2012 budget and forward to the Finance Committee, second by Dean, all ayes on voice vote; the motion carried 5-0.

Motion Dean to approve the amended Branch II 2012 budget and forward to the Finance Committee, second by O'Melia, all ayes on voice vote; the motion carried 5-0.

Corporation Counsel – Travel Requests

a. WCMIC Defense Counsel/Corporation Counsel Forum-- Sept. 16th [Stevens Point]

Desmond & Fugle

b. WACCC Fall Conference--Sept 27th (morning) [Wisconsin Dells] *Desmond*

c. WCA BRB Training--Sept 27th (afternoon) and Sept. 28th (morning) [Wisconsin Dells]

Desmond

Corporation Counsel, Brian Desmond was present. Desmond requested employees attend the above described training and discussed the education credits that are required for employees.

Motion by O'Melia to approve the travel requests, second by Metropulos, all ayes on voice vote; the motion carried 5-0.

Corporation Counsel – Discussion concerning conceal carry in Oneida County buildings

Corporation Counsel, Brian Desmond, and Chief Deputy, John Sweeney, were present. Desmond noted that a decision needs to be made regarding people being allowed to carry weapons in Oneida County buildings. Desmond noted it could be an ordinance violation if someone carries a weapon in a prohibited building. Sweeney stated that this is a policy decision that needs to be made by the County Board. Brief discussion followed regarding application of the law to County buildings.

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Motion by Fried to recommend the County adopt a resolution to prohibit concealed carry in all Oneida County buildings.

Brief discussion followed regarding the exemption for law enforcement officers.

Motion was seconded by Metropulos, all ayes on voice vote regarding the above motion; motion carried 5-0.

Sheriff's Office - Lt. Hess Attendance FBI National Academy

Chief Deputy John Sweeney was present and noted that Sheriff Hoffman made application for Lieutenant Hess to attend the FBI academy. Lieutenant Hess was accepted and will leave September 30, 2011 and return December 16, 2011. Sweeney noted federal funding will be utilized to pay for this.

Motion by Metropulos to approve Lieutenant Hess's attendance at the FBI academy, second by O'Melia, all ayes on voice vote; the motion carried 5-0.

AUDIT OF ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENTS

Following examination of financial information submitted by the law enforcement departments, Fried made a motion to approve vouchers, BPO Reports, and other financial information as submitted, second by Metropulos, all ayes on voice vote; the motion carried 5-0.

DISCUSS TOPICS FOR NEXT AGENDA / SET DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting was scheduled for: October 5, 2011 8:45 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS/DISCUSSIONS/COMMUNICATIONS

There were no other public comments or discussions.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before this committee, Metropulos made a motion to adjourn with a second by Fried, all ayes on voice vote; the motion carried 5-0 and the meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

COMMITTEE SECRETARY jab