

**Public Safety Committee
Special Meeting
March 2, 2004 - 5:15 p.m.
Courthouse Conference Room**

Present: B. Blanchard, M. Robertson, M. Koplinka-Loehr, G. Totman, L. McBean-Clairborne
Staff: L. Shurtleff, G. Dentes

Called to Order

Ms. Blanchard called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

RESOLUTION NO. 31 - AUTHORIZATION TO APPLY TO THE NEW YORK STATE 911 BOARD FOR EXPEDITED DEPLOYMENT GRANT FUNDING ON BEHALF OF TOMPKINS COUNTY - DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY RESPONSE

MOVED by Mr. Koplinka-Loehr, seconded by Mrs. McBean-Clairborne, and unanimously adopted by voice vote.

WHEREAS, New York State has created an Expedited Deployment Grant Funding Program for implementation of enhanced wireless 911 services, and

WHEREAS, pending systems installations for the newly constructed Emergency Response Center have been specified to provide such wireless capabilities, and may be eligible for such grant funding, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Local Law No. 8 of 2000, the Emergency Response Center shall function as the County's single Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) for the purposes of routing of wireless 911 calls in the jurisdiction, and

WHEREAS, the Department of Emergency Response must formally apply to the New York State 911 Board (Board) for funding to assist the County in achieving "Phase 2" capability for the 911 emergency call system, and

WHEREAS, the PSAP complies with the Board's standards in 21 NYCRR Parts 5200, 5201, 5202, and 5250 and will, following the acquisition of the items for which expedited deployment funding is requested, comply with the Board's standards in 21 NYCRR Part 5203, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, on recommendation of the Public Safety Committee, That the Director of the Department of Emergency Response is hereby authorized to apply to the New York State 911 Board for Expedited Deployment Grant Funding on behalf of Tompkins County.

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RESOLUTION NO. 32 - REDUCTION AND INCREASE IN HOURS OF TWO ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY POSITIONS

MOVED by Mr. Koplinka-Loehr, seconded by Mrs. McBean-Clairborne. Mr. Dentes explained that he has two employees who wish to change their hourly workweek to accommodate personal needs. One 35-hour employee will move to a 30-hour workweek and another 35-hour employee will move to a 40-hour workweek. This change will have no impact on the department budget. Mr. Dentes also updated the Committee on staffing changes in the District Attorney's Office. He said he has reclassified two vacant Assistant District Attorney positions to two Assistant District Attorney for the Local Criminal Court. This change will result in a savings to the Department of \$15,000 to \$17,000 per year in salary and fringes per position. A voice vote on the resolution resulted as follows: Ayes - 5, Noes - 0. MOTION CARRIED.

WHEREAS, the District Attorney wishes to reduce the hours of one Assistant District Attorney position from 35.0 hours per week to 30.0 hours per week (a reduction of 5 hours per week) to accommodate a request for a flexible work schedule, and

WHEREAS, the District Attorney wishes to maintain the same overall working hours and level of service by increasing the standard work week of a second Assistant District Attorney position from 35.0 hours per week to 40.0 hours per week (an increase of 5 hours per week), and

WHEREAS, such a change would be beneficial to the organization and would result in no change in total hours and no change in the budget, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, on recommendation of the Public Safety Committee, That the standard work week for one position of Assistant District Attorney (88-228) shall be reduced from 35.0 hours per week to 30.0 hours per week and that a second position of Assistant District Attorney (88-228) shall be increased from 35.0 to 40.0 hours per week effective March 1, 2004.

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Sheriff's Office - Authorization to Seek Bid for SUV

Sheriff Meskill reported he has an opportunity to acquire an SUV from a local dealership at a price \$300 to \$500 less than the State contract, and requested the Committee's permission to seek a bid. It was the consensus of the Committee to allow the Sheriff to seek bids for an SUV.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Michelle Pottorff, Legislature Office