



PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, August 13, 2025, Time: 10:00 AM
Committee Room 213, 2nd floor, 74 Ontario Street,
Canandaigua, NY 14424

Committee Members

John Cowley, Chair
Nancy Yacci, VC
Todd Campbell
Jack Marren
William Namestnik
Dale Stell
Vacant

1. Call To Order:

The Public Safety Committee meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM on August 13, 2025 by Chair John Cowley.

Members Present: Supervisor(s) John Cowley, Todd Campbell via WebEx until 10:19 am - allowed to vote, William Namestnik, Dale Stell, Nancy Yacci. Absent: . Necessarily Absent: Supervisor(s) Jack Marren. A quorum was present for the duration of the meeting.

Others present in addition to committee members:

Jared Simpson, Chairman of the BOS	Sheriff David Cirencione
Chris DeBolt, County Administrator	Undersheriff Mike Rago
Alissa Bub, Deputy County Administrator	Chief Deputy Stacy Lambert
Nathan Thomas, Assistant County Attorney	Jim Ritts, District Attorney
Mary Gates, Dir. Finance	Mary Wilmot, Victim Assistance Coordinator
Nellie Puma, Deputy Dir., Finance	John Yannotti, Dir., Emergency Management
Kathy Dunn, Fiscal Manager	Zac Gibeau, Finger Lakes Ambulance
Angela Ruffier, Dir. Probation	Sharon Decker, Grants Coordinator
Carrie Bleakley, Conflict Defender	Kristin Voss, Clerk of the BOS
Peter Ingalsbe, Supv., T. of Farmington, via WebEx	Diane Foster, Deputy Clerk of the BOS

2. Approval Of Minutes:

Supervisor Nancy Yacci motioned to approve the minutes of the July 23, 2025, Public Safety Committee Meeting. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Dale Stell. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): John Cowley, Todd Campbell, William Namestnik, Dale Stell, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

3. Conflict Defender:

Carrie Bleakley presented the Conflict Defender budget for 2026.

Supervisor Nancy Yacci motioned to accept the budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor William Namestnik. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): John Cowley, Todd Campbell, William Namestnik, Dale Stell, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

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Carrie Bleakley presented the Assigned Council budget for 2026. He noted there is an increase specifically in the criminal legal services line. They increased it to \$1MM as a reflection of the costs in 2024 largely due to discovery reform. She noted there is software coming out of a grant line that they will need to update.

Supervisor Dale Stell motioned to approve the budget as presented with the update. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Nancy Yacci. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): John Cowley, Todd Campbell, William Namestnik, Dale Stell, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

5. Probation:

Angela Ruffier presented the Probation budget for 2026. She noted personnel increases, an increase in security costs, and ballistic vests.

Supervisor Nancy Yacci motioned to approve the budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Dale Stell. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): John Cowley, Todd Campbell, William Namestnik, Dale Stell, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Angela Ruffier presented the Probation CIP budget for 2026, which is just the Enterprissee lease for vehicles.

Supervisor Nancy Yacci motioned to approve the budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor William Namestnik. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): John Cowley, Todd Campbell, William Namestnik, Dale Stell, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Angela Ruffier presented the Day Reporting Program budget for 2026.

Supervisor William Namestnik motioned to approve the budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Dale Stell. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): John Cowley, Todd Campbell, William Namestnik, Dale Stell, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Angela Ruffier presented the Day Reporting CIP budget for 2026. They paid off the lease in 2025. Therefore, for 2026 the budget was \$0.

Supervisor Dale Stell motioned to approve the budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Nancy Yacci. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): John Cowley, Todd Campbell, William Namestnik, Dale Stell, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

4. District Attorney:

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James Ritts presented a resolution entitled, "Authorization to Accept SFY2025-2026 Victim and Witness Assistance Program Grant (NYS CONTRACT # OVS01-C00121GM) District Attorney's Office".

Supervisor William Namestnik motioned to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Nancy Yacci. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): John Cowley, Todd Campbell, William Namestnik, Dale Stell, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Jim Ritts presented the District Attorney budget for 2026.

Supervisor Dale Stell motioned to approve the budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Nancy Yacci. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): John Cowley, Todd Campbell, William Namestnik, Dale Stell, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

6. Emergency Management:

John Yannotti presented the Fire Protection budget for 2026.

Supervisor William Namestnik motioned to approve the budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Nancy Yacci. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): John Cowley, Todd Campbell, William Namestnik, Dale Stell, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Joh Yannotti presented the Fire Protection CIP budget for 2026. This is for vehicle leases.

Supervisor Nancy Yacci motioned to approve the budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Dale Stell. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): John Cowley, Todd Campbell, William Namestnik, Dale Stell, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

John Yannott presented the Emergency Management - Civil Defense budget for 2026.

Supervisor Dale Stell motioned to approve the budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Nancy Yacci. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): John Cowley, Todd Campbell, William Namestnik, Dale Stell, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

John Yannott presented the Emergency Management - Civil Defense CIP budget for 2026. This is for the leased vehicle.

Supervisor Dale Stell motioned to approve the budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Nancy Yacci. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): John Cowley, Todd Campbell, William Namestnik, Dale Stell, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

John Yannotti presented the RACES - Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Services budget for 2026.

Supervisor William Namestnik motioned to approve the budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor None. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): John Cowley, Todd Campbell, William Namestnik, Dale Stell, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

John Yannotti presented the Hazardous Materials Team budget for 2026. Mr. Yannotti discussed the foam disposal, which is being reviewed and is not reflected in this budget.

Supervisor Nancy Yacci motioned to approve the budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Dale Stell. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): John Cowley, William Namestnik, Dale Stell, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

John Yannotti presented a resolution entitled, "Authorization for an Extension and Amendment of State Homeland Security Program Grant Budget (SHSP FY22~CFDA#97.067 Project #: SH22-1005-D03, Contract# C190156)".

Supervisor William Namestnik motioned to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Nancy Yacci. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): John Cowley, William Namestnik, Dale Stell, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

7. Office Of Sheriff:

Chief Deputy Stacy Lambert presented a resolution entitled, "Renewal of BID B24065 with Bob Barker Co. and Charm Tex for the Purchase of Correctional Supplies for Incarcerated Individuals at Ontario County Jail".

Supervisor Nancy Yacci motioned to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Dale Stell. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): John Cowley, William Namestnik, Dale Stell, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Undersheriff Michael Rago presented a resolution entitled, "Award of RFP R25064 to CLPS LLC for Behavioral Threat Assessment Tracking Software".

Supervisor William Namestnik motioned to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was

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seconded by Supervisor Dale Stell. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): John Cowley, William Namestnik, Dale Stell, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Sheriff David Cirencione presented a resolution entitled "Extension for NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services Grant SFY2022 - Domestic Terrorism Prevention, Project DT22-1032-E04 (C175032) Ontario County Sheriff's Office".

Supervisor Nancy Yacci motioned to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Dale Stell. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): John Cowley, William Namestnik, Dale Stell, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Sheriff Cirencione reviewed the summary of the budgets. He said most of the increases are in the salary and fringe. Some of their equipment lines have some increased and some have decreased. Overall, the budget is steady.

Sheriff Cirencione presented the 911 Communications budget for 2026.

Supervisor Dale Stell motioned to approve the budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Nancy Yacci. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): John Cowley, William Namestnik, Dale Stell, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Sheriff Cirencione presented the 911 Communications CIP budget for 2026.

Supervisor Dale Stell motioned to approve the budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Nancy Yacci. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): John Cowley, William Namestnik, Dale Stell, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Sheriff Cirencione presented the 911 Communication Towers budget for 2026.

Supervisor Nancy Yacci motioned to approve the budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Dale Stell. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): John Cowley, William Namestnik, Dale Stell, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Sheriff Cirencione presented the Wireless 911 Reserve budget for 2026.

Supervisor William Namestnik motioned to approve the budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Nancy Yacci. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): None. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

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Sheriff Cirencione presented the Jail budget for 2026.

Supervisor Dale Stell motioned to approve the budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor William Namestnik. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): John Cowley, William Namestnik, Dale Stell, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Sheriff Cirencione presented the Jail CIP budget for 2026. A significant increase due to going to Axon body cameras and the Black Creek security system upgrade.

Supervisor Dale Stell motioned to approve the budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor William Namestnik. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): John Cowley, William Namestnik, Dale Stell, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Sheriff Cirencione presented the Unified Court budget for 2026.

Supervisor Nancy Yacci motioned to approve the budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Dale Stell. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): John Cowley, William Namestnik, Dale Stell, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Supervisor Namestnik asked Sheriff Cirencione if he could provide an overview of how the Unified Court system works the justice system.

Sheriff Cirencione said the Town Court does not come out of this line. For the most part, it comes out of the Road Patrol line. Sheriff Cirencione explained that Unified Court is County Court, City of Geneva, and City of Canandaigua Court. It is all paid back by the Office of Court Administration.

Sheriff Cirencione presented the Jail Kitchen budget for 2026.

Supervisor William Namestnik motioned to approve the budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Dale Stell. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): John Cowley, William Namestnik, Dale Stell, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Sheriff Cirencione presented the Correctional Healthcare budget for 2026. Salary and fringe are down due to reclassifying 3 vacant positions from RN to LPNs. Prescription medication has increased due to the medical-assisted treatment of injectable medication to help wean people off opiates and the increase in the jail population. It is mandated they provide the service and the meds.

Supervisor Namestnik asked about the follow-up of the group to look into other GPOs. Sheriff

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Cirencione said they put these out to BIDs and RFPs, but the group that was identified did not respond back.

Supervisor Nancy Yacci motioned to approve the budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Dale Stell. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): John Cowley, William Namestnik, Dale Stell, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Sheriff Cirencione presented the Road Patrol budget for 2026. There is an increase in equipment. The biggest "ticket item" is to transition to 9mm.

Supervisor Nancy Yacci motioned to approve the budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor William Namestnik. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): John Cowley, William Namestnik, Dale Stell, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Sheriff Cirencione presented the Road Patrol CIP budget for 2026. This covers Axon body-worn cameras, tasers, and the fleet.

Supervisor Dale Stell motioned to approve the budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor William Namestnik. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): John Cowley, William Namestnik, Dale Stell, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Sheriff Cirencione gave the following updates:

~ Jail Population is down at 93.

~ NYS took 10 state-ready inmates last week and 6 more will be going soon.

~ The inmates that are in the jail are extremely complex, with code orange, which is fights or people refusing to lock in, and a couple of suicide attempts.

~ Since the last meeting, they have had 4 fatal crashes on the highways, 2 suicides, 16 structure fires, 55 personal injury crashes. They assisted Geneva Police with a shooting in downtown Geneva with a chaotic and violent scene. They just had another fatality this morning. Other calls were mentioned. In addition, one of their corrections officer was in a serious crash.

8. County Administrator:

Alissa Bub provided the Quarter 2 of 2025 ARPA Grant status report. She said there are 19 completed grants, 36% of all the three that have been dispersed. All the funding will need to be spent by the end of 2026.

9. Unfinished Business:

There was no unfinished business.

10. Next Meeting Date And Time:

Wednesday, September 3, 2025 at 10:00 am, in Committee Room 213, at 74 Ontario Street

11. Adjournment:

On a motion of Supervisor Nancy Yacci, seconded by Supervisor William Namestnik, the Public Safety Committee meeting was adjourned at 10:53 AM.

Respectfully Submitted, Diane R. Foster, Deputy Clerk to the Board