



PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, June 10, 2026, Time: 10:00 AM
Committee Room 213, 2nd floor, 74 Ontario Street,
Canandaigua, NY 14424

Committee Members

John Cowley, Chair
Tate Colburn
Roslyn Grammar
William Namestnik
Jan Regan
Dale Stell
Nancy Yacci

1. Call to Order:

The Public Safety Committee meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM on June 10, 2026 by Chair John Cowley.

Members Present: Supervisor(s) John Cowley, Tate Colburn, Roslyn Grammar, William Namestnik, Jan Regan, Dale Stell. Necessarily Absent: Supervisor(s) Nancy Yacci.

Others present in addition to committee members:

Chairman Bill Wellman
Alissa Bub, Deputy County Administrator
Meghan Maslyn, Deputy County Administrator
Nate Thomas, Assistant County Attorney
Jason McBride, District Attorney
Leanne Lapp, Public Defender
Carrie Bleakley, Conflict Defender
Tom Harvey, Dir., Planning
Julie Barry, Associate Planner
Betsy Landre, Sr. Planner
Sheriff David Cirencione
Chief Deputy Stacy Lambert
Chief Steve DeChick
Johon Yannotti, Dir., Emergency Mng. Office

Scott DeCook, Fire Coordinator
Dave Hubble, Canandaigua Ambulance
Matt Sproul, Canandaigua Ambulance
Kathy Dunn, Fiscal Manager
Diane Foster, Deputy Clerk to the Board

The following via WebEx:

Mary Gates, Dir., Finance
Angela Ruffier, Dir., Probation
Erin Holly, Sr. Clerk, Planning
Jen Langer, Dir., Purchasing
Stacy Schmitt, Buyer
Karen Naffziger, Buyer
Sharon Decker, Grants Coordinator
Peter Ingalsbe, Supv., T. Farmington

2. Approval of Minutes:

Supervisor Tate Colburn motioned to approve the minutes of the May 13, 2026 Public Safety Committee meeting. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Roslyn Grammar. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): John Cowley, Tate Colburn, Roslyn Grammar, William Namestnik, Jan Regan, Dale Stell. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

3. Planning Department

Betsy Landre presented the following memos for approval:

~ CPH092-22 Emergency Radio Network Core Upgrade Project — Authorization for a 6-Month Contract Extension with Finger Lakes Communications. Inc.

~ CP H066-20 Hillside Project - Authorization of Four-Month Contract Extension - Finger Lakes Communications, Co. Inc.

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Supervisor Dale Stell motioned to approve these two memos for the no-cost time extensions for these two contracts as presented as a block. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Roslyn Grammar. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): John Cowley, Tate Colburn, Roslyn Grammar, William Namestnik, Jan Regan, Dale Stell. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Tom Harvey gave a PowerPoint presentation on the 9-1-1 System and Components.

Chief Steve DeChick explained that funding for the 911 system comes from surcharges, state grants, and local tax revenue.

4. Conflict Defender:

Carrie Bleakely gave the following updates:

~ The state budget includes a 50% reimbursement for the Assigned Council rate. Last year, that equated to over \$800,000 in reimbursement to Ontario County.

~ Indigent Legal Services (ILS) received \$30 million for family court funding, down from the requested \$50 million.

~ ILS has plans to distribute family court funding to all counties without a competitive grant proposal process. Also, any county already receiving a competitive grant for the family court through ILS will see an increase in that contract, anywhere from \$200,000 to \$1MM over a three-year period. The Conflict Defender's Office receives one of those grants and that is going to make a significant impact on the quality of representation in Ontario County.

~ Loan forgiveness program expansion for attorneys that was requested by their office was not included in the final budget. It would have been a big step in their ability for retention and recruitment.

5. Public Defender:

As an informational item to the Committee, Public Defender Leanne Lapp, passed around a memo that went through the Management Compensation (MCP) Committee regarding a request to approve stipend payments to compensate public defense attorneys for time spent handling arraignments in the Centralized Arraignment Program (CAP). Ms. Lapp explained what an arraignment was and what could be involved. She said CAP operates daily, requiring an attorney's presence at arraignments outside regular hours. She explained the background and justification of her request.

District Attorney Jason McBride said over the last five years, the DA's office was not physically present at the centralized arraignments, and that caused a lot of logistical issues. He said compensation for CAP attendance remains unaddressed, impacting attorney recruitment and morale significantly.

Ms. Lapp said CAP is a mandate, but is a funded mandate.

It was clarified that the Public Defender's office stipend would be covered by the Council at First Arraignment (CAFA) grant that is no longer competitive, so everyone who originally applied for the competitive grant can keep getting that funding. There is also a CAFA connected to the Hurrell Harring settlement which gives them two streams of funding for CAP. Ms. Lapp said they also get Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) funding they could allocate. The Conflict Defender's office stipend would be covered under grants from the Division of Criminal Justice Services, a

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supplemental aid to defense. The District Attorney's office stipend would not be covered by other grant funding. They are working with the county on their funding.

6. District Attorney:

DA Jason MacBride presented for approval a Budget Transfer for Software.

Supervisor Jan Regan motioned to approve the budget transfer presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Roslyn Grammar. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): John Cowley, Tate Colburn, Roslyn Grammar, William Namestnik, Jan Regan, Dale Stell. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

7. Probation:

Angela Ruffier presented the following resolutions entitled:

~ 2026 FLACRA Contract Day Reporting Treatment Groups and Programming Probation Department

~ 2026 FLACRA Enhanced Jail Services Probation Department

~ 2026 FLACRA Weekend Jail Alternative Contract Probation Department

Supervisor Jan Regan motioned to approve these resolutions, as presented as a block. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Tate Colburn. The motion Passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): John Cowley, Tate Colburn, Roslyn Grammar, William Namestnik, Jan Regan, Dale Stell. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

8. Emergency Management:

John Yannotti presented a budget transfer for Foam for Fire Protection.

Supervisor Dale Stell motioned to approve the budget transfer as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Tate Colburn. The motion Passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): John Cowley, Tate Colburn, Roslyn Grammar, William Namestnik, Jan Regan, Dale Stell. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

John Yannotti presented a resolution entitled, "Authorization to Amend Contract with Crawford and Associates RFP R24036 for the Ontario County Continuity of Operations Plans (COOP) to Include a Tabletop Exercise".

Supervisor Roslyn Grammar motioned to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Jan Regan. The motion passed.

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

John Yannotti presented a resolution entitled, "Authorization to Amend State Homeland Security

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Program Grant Budget (SHSP FY23-CFDA#97.067 Project #: SH23-1004-D03, Contract #: C190293)".

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

Yes: Supervisor(s): John Cowley, Tate Colburn, Roslyn Grammar, William Namestnik, Jan Regan, Dale Stell. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

9. Office of Sheriff:

Sheriff Cirencione presented a resolution entitled, "Award of Bid B26054 Public Safety Vehicle Upfitting".

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

Yes: Supervisor(s): John Cowley, Tate Colburn, Roslyn Grammar, William Namestnik, Jan Regan, Dale Stell. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Chief Deputy Stacy Lambert presented a resolution entitled, "Award of Bid B26065 for Purchasing of Honor Guard Uniforms".

Supervisor Roslyn Grammar motioned to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Tate Colburn. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): John Cowley, Tate Colburn, Roslyn Grammar, William Namestnik, Jan Regan, Dale Stell. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Sheriff Cirencione gave the following updates:

- ~ Jail population: 95; 72 males, 23 females, 2 on parole warrants, 3 boarded out, 0 in hospital, 3 state-ready.
- ~ A few retirements from the jail, but had a full-time Corrections Officer starting two weeks ago.
- ~ They think they will have five to seven new correction officers hired by July 13th.
- ~ A reminder, two full-time and a part-time people will be staying with Ontario County and not the State Courts.
- ~ They were just notified that the state will be staffing the county and city courts; Geneva and Canandaigua primarily with the same officers that are there now, meaning the county employees when they become state employees. However, on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, all their current officers will be going to the range for the state. So the courts for those dates will be staffed by people that have never been here before.
- ~ New courthouse security measures will require stricter entry protocols for visitors starting next week.

Supervisor Regan asked the Sheriff regarding the Animal Abuser Registry, if there could be a possibility of considering waiving the \$150 fee for the animal registry for individuals experiencing financial hardship.

Sheriff Cirencione said that anyone that's convicted of a felony or misdemeanor gets saddled with a state fee or surcharge that far exceeds the \$150 anyway. The \$150 is meant to give something to the county for the personnel and resources. Increased fees are applied on their app to run this. It will be

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on the website, community relations, plus information technology as well as photographs taken.

10. Unfinished Business or Other Items to be Brought before the Committee:

There was no unfinished business to come before the committee.

11. Next meeting date and time:

Wednesday, July 8, 2026, in Committee Room 213, at 74 Ontario St., Canandaigua, NY

12. Adjournment:

On a motion of Supervisor William Namestnik, seconded by Supervisor Roslyn Grammar, the Public Safety Committee meeting was adjourned at 11:24 AM.

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