

# SPECIAL PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

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Thank you!

Date: Tuesday, September 12, 2023 @ 10:00 AM

Location: *Supervisors' Chambers, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the government center.*

Present: *May, Berwanger*, Kehl, Granger, Brick,

Absent: Becker, Jacoby

Also Present: C. Ketchum/Board Clerk; J. Cook/Budget Officer; D. Farberman/HR Director; D. Kobis/Hospital Admin.; D. James/Hospital COO; D.

Linder/Sheriff; M. Horton/Local Fire Department; T. Horton/Wyo. Co. Worker's Comp.; E. J. Gozelski, T/Castile; V. McCormick, T/Java; B. Ryan/Board Chair;

M. Sullivan/Wyoming Hook and Ladder; J. Wilkinson/Co. Atty. (10:25 AM)

Department Agenda Item	Discussion	Decision	Action
<b>Committee Chair's Agenda</b>			
1. <a href="#"><u>Review Monroe Ambulance letter dated 09/06/23</u></a>		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
<i>The purpose of today's emergency Public Safety Committee meeting is to garner consensus on next steps.</i>			
<b>Emergency Services w/B. Meyers, B. Streicher &amp; M. Gibson</b>			
1. Amend Resolution Number 23-278 to reflect a termination date of December 15, 2023 with Monroe Ambulance Service		Motion: Brick Ayes: 5 Noes: Absent: 2 Becker, Jacoby	Carried: <b>XXX</b> Defeated: Referred to: <b>09/28/23 Public Safety Committee</b>

*At 10:25 AM County Attorney Wilkinson entered the meeting during the below agenda item.*

*Director of Fire and Emergency Mgmt, B. Meyers explained a meeting he recently had with PAB where they projected \$1.3 - \$1.4M in revenues. Director Meyers explained comparisons between Monroe and Mercy and he expressed his concerns over contracting with Mercy.*

*Formation of a Subcommittee / First meeting to take place Monday, September 18, 2023 @ 7 PM*

- *County Administration*
  - *Meyers, Streicher, May, Ryan*
- *Fire Advisory Board*
  - *1 – 2 Representatives*
- *Chief's Association*
  - *1 – 2 Representatives*
- *EMT Advisory Board*
  - *1 – 2 Representatives*

*WCCH CEO, D. Kobis mentioned the use of a National Consulting group he recently spoke with. They did not recommend formation of a county ran service. He strongly recommended signing a contract with Mercy to buy the county some time. He indicated Chairwoman Ryan and Director Meyers were on the recent conference call with national consultant.*

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<p><b>Option #1:</b> <i>Invite Mercy to 09/28/23 Public Safety Committee Meeting at 1 PM.</i></p> <p><i>Mr. Sullivan explained the arrangement Wyoming has with the Village of Warsaw for Basic Life Support (BLS)</i></p> <p><i>Director Meyers indicated the following NYS counties have some form of countywide ambulance services:</i></p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 25%;"><i>Yates</i></td> <td style="width: 25%;"><i>Schuyler</i></td> <td style="width: 25%;"><i>Columbia</i></td> <td style="width: 25%;"><i>Allegany</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>Wayne</i></td> <td><i>Erie</i></td> <td><i>Orleans</i></td> <td><i>Green</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>Chenango</i></td> <td><i>Chautauqua</i></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </table> <p><i>Supervisor Kehl, T/Attica questioned the use of an outside consultant and agreed with CEO Kobis to not start a countywide program.</i></p> <p><i><a href="#">See attached narrative provided by Director Meyers...</a></i></p>				<i>Yates</i>	<i>Schuyler</i>	<i>Columbia</i>	<i>Allegany</i>	<i>Wayne</i>	<i>Erie</i>	<i>Orleans</i>	<i>Green</i>	<i>Chenango</i>	<i>Chautauqua</i>		
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<p>2. <b>Discussion:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Countywide Ambulance Service</a> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Equipment</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		<p>Motion:</p> <p>Ayes:</p> <p>Noes:</p> <p>Absent:</p>	<p>Carried:</p> <p>Defeated:</p> <p>Referred to:</p>												
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<p><b>Permission to go out to bid for Ambulance equipment</b></p>		<p>Motion: Granger</p> <p>Ayes: 4</p> <p>Noes: 1 Kehl</p> <p>Absent: 2 Becker, Jacoby</p>	<p>Carried: <b>XXX</b></p> <p>Defeated:</p> <p>Referred to:</p> <p><b>APPROVED</b></p>												

Signature of Committee Chairman: p/S. May (minutes prepared by *C. Ketchum*).

Next Public Safety Committee Meeting scheduled for **Thursday, September 28, 2023 @ 1:00 PM.**

Committee Chair Initials: \_\_\_\_\_