



Judiciary & Public Safety Committee

Committee Meeting

60 Central Ave.
Cortland, NY 13045
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Thursday, January 9, 2025

9:00 AM

Room 302

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CALL TO ORDER

Attendee Name	Present	Absent	Late	Arrived
Committee Member Douglas Bentley	☐	☐	☐	
Committee Member Cathy Bischoff	☐	☐	☐	
Committee Member Mitchel Eccleston	☐	☐	☐	
Committee Member Christopher Newell	☐	☐	☐	
Committee Member Jason Prentice	☐	☐	☐	
Committee Vice-Chair Eugene Waldbauer	☐	☐	☐	
Committee Chair Sandra Price	☐	☐	☐	

MINUTES

1. Judiciary & Public Safety Committee - Committee Meeting - Dec 5, 2024 9:00 AM

RESOLUTIONS

ON MOTION OF PRICE

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1

Award Bid/Preventative Maintenance Agreement - Breathing Air Stations

WHEREAS, a Request for Proposals (RFP) was issued on November 13, 2024 for two Breathing Air Stations for the County's Department of Emergency Response & Communications, and such bids were due and received by the Clerk of Legislature on December 11, 2024; AND

WHEREAS, funding was received from New York State, and approved by Resolution No. 76-24, under a Community Resiliency, Economic Sustainability, and Technology Program (CREST) grant sponsored by New York State Senator Lea Webb's office in the amount of \$200,000 for two breathing air stations, with one to be installed at the County's Regional Training Center, and one to be installed at the Marathon Fire Station; AND

WHEREAS, bids were received from the following:

Sherman Air Services

\$180,625.26

PO Box 388
Norwich, NY 13815

Jerome Fire Equipment
8721 Caughdenoy Road
Clay, NY 13041

\$207,780.63

; AND

WHEREAS, the bids were evaluated by New York State and County Fire Instructors to determine whether they met the specifications of the RFP and compared to identify the company that represents the lowest responsible bidder; AND

WHEREAS, upon review, it is recommended to award the bid to Jerome Fire Equipment; AND

WHEREAS, the balance of needed funding in the amount of \$7,780.63 will come from the County's Emergency Management Department. A3410; NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Cortland County Legislature awards the contract to Jerome Fire Equipment as the bid was determined to be in the best interest of the County based on the evaluation performed; AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, that Cortland County Legislature awards an annual preventative maintenance agreement, as specified in the request for proposals, with Jerome Fire Equipment for the safe upkeep, maintenance and air quality testing of the breathing air stations in the amount of \$4,450, budgeted for in 2025 in account A34105.54015; AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, that the County Administrator, upon approval of the County Attorney or designee, be and hereby is authorized to enter into an agreement with Jerome Fire Equipment, 8721 Caughdenoy Road, Clay, NY 13041, effective January 24, 2025 in the amount of \$207,780.63 for the purchase of two breathing air stations with the preventative maintenance option for one year in the amount of \$4,450 per year with an option to extend the preventative maintenance for an additional two one-year terms.

ON MOTION OF PRICE

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2

Authorize Agreement with Emergency Medical Physicians - County Coroner

WHEREAS, a Coroner's Physician is required to sign a death certificate, or if it is necessary to have an autopsy done on any death in which a certificate has not been signed; AND

WHEREAS, it is the wish of the County Coroner's Office and the Judiciary and Public Safety Committee to authorize additional Coroner's Physicians to sign death certificates for a fee not to exceed \$125 per signature (A11855.54055); NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Administrator, upon approval of the County Attorney or designee and subject to appropriation of funding by the Legislature, is hereby authorized and directed to enter into an agreement with Emergency Medical Physicians of Cortland, PLLC, 134 Homer Ave., Cortland, NY 13045 for the purpose of signing death certificates in the absence of the duly appointed Coroner's Physician for a term beginning January 1, 2025 and expiring December 31, 2027.

ON MOTION OF PRICE

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3

Authorize Contract - 911 Center Medical Director

WHEREAS, Cortland County's Department of Emergency Response and Communications operates an emergency medical dispatching program that provides lifesaving pre-arrival medical instructions to 911 callers in need; AND

WHEREAS, the County's emergency medical dispatching program requires a medical physician to provide oversight, advisement and consent on certain criteria within the medical dispatching program; AND

WHEREAS, Cortland County previously contracted with Dr. David Wurtz, of Guthrie Medical, for the role of oversight and advisement of the County's emergency medical dispatching program; AND

WHEREAS, a 2025 goal of the County's 911 center is accreditation as a center for excellence in medical dispatching requiring significant involvement in the role of the participating physician; AND

WHEREAS, Cortland County has an established relationship with Dr. Darshan Patel, MD, approved by Resolution No. 200-24, and Dr. Patel has expressed interest in participating in the County's 911 center accreditation process; NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Administrator, upon review by the County Attorney or designee as to form and subject to any appropriation of funding by the Legislature, be and hereby is authorized to execute an agreement with Dr. Darshan Patel, MD in the amount of \$13,500 to be paid for from account A30205.54055 for three year contract term beginning on or after February 1, 2024 and ending on or before January 30, 2027.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Cardiac Call Recognition

MONTHLY REPORTS

1. New York State Emergency Medical Services Report
2. District Attorney Monthly Report
3. Assigned Counsel Monthly Report
4. Probation Monthly Report November 2024
5. Public Defender Monthly Report

ADJOURNMENT