# PROTECTIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN ROOM 318 PUTNAM COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING

CARMEL, NEW YORK 10512 Members: Chairwoman Nacerino & Legislators Sayegh, Sullivan

Thursday February 10, 2022

(Personnel Meeting Immediately Followed)

The meeting was called to order at 6:30PM by Chairwoman Nacerino who requested Legislator Sayegh lead in the Pledge of Allegiance. Upon roll call Legislator Sayegh and Chairwoman Nacerino were present. Legislator Sullivan was absent.

#### Item #3 - Approval/ Protective Services Meeting Minutes/ December 15, 2021

Chairwoman Nacerino stated the minutes were accepted as submitted.

### Item #4 - Discussion/ Action Plan & Vision - Putnam County Sheriff Kevin McConville & Undersheriff Thomas Lindert/ Chairwoman Nacerino

Chairwoman Nacerino welcomed newly elected Putnam County Sheriff Kevin McConville and his Undersheriff Thomas Lindert.

Sheriff McConville began by thanking Chairwoman Nacerino for the invitation to present to the Protective Services Committee. He introduced his Command Staff, Captain James Schepperly, runs of the Bureau of Criminal Investigation, Captain Michael Knox runs Operations and Communications, Captain James Greenough runs the Corrections Facility, Captain Kevin Junjulas runs the Road Patrol Division and Captain Michael Grossi runs the Civil Bureau Division. He stated that is over 207 years of experience and knowledge in the Sheriff's Department that will lead and make professionalism, accountability, and responsibility the cornerstone of our administration, which is important. He stated he is in the midst of an organizational restructuring. He stated there will be a redivision of roles and responsibilities. He stated they are about 40 days into that. He stated they have redesigned and reduced the purchasing authorization list, it has gone from 30 people to 5 (five), and there is a check and balance process that has been implemented. He explained an approval must be obtained from a member of the Sheriff's Department with the rank of Captain. He stated they are making sure that the Sheriff's Department is in compliance with the Putnam County Department of Health COVID regulations and guidelines. He stated they will develop a 12-month Training Calendar that will list the training available in each month. He explained this will allow the flexibility to make sure they can plan ahead and make sure they are meeting the Department of Criminal Justice Services and Federal Guidelines as well as any new guidelines that are developed along the course of the year. He stated they are in the process of cross training Patrol and Corrections Members. He stated they are ensuring that Captain Greenough and Lieutenant Villani take the lead on the Correctional Facilities training to make sure the Putnam County Correctional Facility meets or exceeds new standards as set forth by the State Commission on Corrections. He stated they are actively interviewing candidates for patrol and corrections. He stated they have established monthly law enforcement meetings, not only with the associate law enforcement

agencies at the executive level but also at the patrol and investigative levels as well. He stated the Town of Carmel and Kent Police Departments have agreed to join forces with the Sheriff's Department, in the Narcotics Operations, whether on a part-time basis or as needed basis. He explained as part of that they will implement, at the County level, a daily briefing report that will contain criminal activity that occurred within 24-72 hours. He stated there will be a lot more communications at all levels of law enforcement throughout Putnam County. He stated Undersheriff Lindert was responsible for taking the lead and setting it up. He stated Captain Knox has been given the responsibility to work on the accreditation process. He stated that is difficult because, there were a few policies that had been written, they are not in a complete format and they lack procedures, there is not cross pollination between most of these policies. He stated Lieutenant Villani was unable to attend this evening, he works with Captain Greenough in the Corrections Facility. He stated Lieutenant Villani has taken the lead on standardizing a manual and policy procedure practice for corrections. He stated he has done an outstanding job thus far and he would like to publicly recognize and commended Lieutenant Villani on that. He stated in closing, this is disturbing, Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) has not been filed since April 2021. He stated they have had to stop some of their forward progress to address this to get the information into a format that can be filed with the DCJS, in order to maintain Federal and State funding levels. He stated they have met with many community organizations in the past weeks and attended a few Town Board Meetings. He stated one of the things they are most proud of, they have developed a notification system for the elected officials at various levels throughout the County, based on title and need to know certain information. He stated he spoke to the elected officials: Town Supervisors, Deputy Supervisors and Highway Superintendents. He stated they are provided very base information. He explained they do not provide confidential law enforcement information. He stated that he has met with the School Superintendents because they will revitalize the School Resource Officer Program and part of that will include notification to the Schools all through a mass notification system advising them of information they should be made aware of.

Chairwoman Nacerino thanked Sheriff McConville and stated she was very impressed with all they are doing and have accomplished in this short period of time.

Legislator Sayegh stated she too is impressed with all that has been accomplished having only been in office a short time. She stated she looks forward to seeing what is accomplished in the future. She stated she looks forward to working with Sheriff McConville and his team.

Legislator Jonke stated he had privately commended Sheriff McConville for the communication and notification program he has implemented. He stated he told the Sheriff that was nothing they had ever had before. He stated he did a great job with that. He stated it is amazing to see how good things can be. He stated it is not a knock-on previous administrations, it is refreshing that all of this information can be processed and that they are being alerted of it.

Sheriff McConville stated he has shared the feedback he has been receiving with his command staff. He stated he believes it is beneficial for them to hear it firsthand.

Legislator Montgomery stated she is a big supporter of communication. She stated she recognizes there is a delicate balance with what information can be shared, when it comes to

public safety. She stated she also appreciates the communication from Sheriff McConville's Department. She stated there has been an ongoing situation in her district that she has been kept abreast of, which has been very useful. She stated it makes her and the people involved hopeful that situations will be resolved that have been ongoing.

Legislator Addonizio expressed her appreciation for the Sheriff and the members of this staff being present at this Legislative meeting. She stated she is looking forward to the coming year and open communication.

Sheriff McConville stated the Legislators can be assured that he and his team will have open communication with them.

### Item#5 - Discussion/ Presentation/ School Bus Patrol/ Brewster School District Transportation Supervisor Mary Smith and BusPatrol Senior Director of Field Sales Rodney Lemieux/ Chairwoman Ginny Nacerino (BusPatrol presentation attached)

Chairwoman Nacerino welcomed Mary Smith, Brewster School District Transportation Supervisor and she is also a Town of Patterson Councilperson and the CEO and Founder of BusPatrol Jean Souliere. She stated the Legislature recognizes the importance of the safety of our children as they travel on the School Buses to and from school. She stated disturbingly, there is an increase in drivers who do not adhere to the State Law that they must stop when a school bus stops and has flashing red lights. She stated in response to this disturbing fact, New York State passed the Stop Arm Cameras Law. She stated it has been approximately two (2) years since this important issue to implement a program in Putnam County has been discussed in committee. She explained a local law was tabled by the Chair of the Rules, Enactments, & Intergovernmental Relations Committee, Legislator Sullivan in March of 2020, since more research was needed. She stated then COVID hit. She stated the Legislature will pickup and address if the existing draft law needs to be revised or submitted with another proposal at the 2022 March Rules, Enactments, & Intergovernmental Relations Committee Meeting. She stated there are many moving parts to this, and details need to be discussed before a local law comes to fruition. She continued to speak to some of those items. She stated tonight's presentation is intended to enlighten and provide an update to the status of the BusPatrol program. She stated any outstanding questions will be addressed. She stated she believes after tonight's presentation the Legislature will be better prepared to enact a local law. She also stated Sheriff McConville is present to provide input about functional and enforcement aspects of the program. She stated she will open the floor to questions and comments after the presentation.

Brewster School District Transportation Supervisor Mary Smith began by expressing her appreciation to the Legislature for allowing this time to address this very important issue, involving the children of our County. She introduced the Transportation Supervisors in the audience, that she invited, Mahopac, Carmel, and Putnam Valley School Districts were all represented. She explained that their goal is to raise awareness to all motorists and stop school bus red light offenders. She stated this vision for them began over 25 years ago, when they were driving the school buses. She stated it was in 2019 when New York State passed a law allowing municipalities to create a local law to catch the school bus red light violators. She thanked State Assemblyman Byrne for supporting the safety of our children and for voting in favor of passing

this bill. She continued to speak to her awareness that the Legislature did table this item, and due to COVID had not addressed it. She stated despite their diligent efforts to educate and engage the public in the past four years, the motorists continue to disregard the law and the safety of our students. She stated the violations are not limited to the passing on the left. There have also been incidents of right-hand school bus violators, which is the side of the bus that the children load and unload from the bus. She would like to recognize Sheriff McConville for his overwhelming support in ensuring that we can and will combat these violators. She requested that everyone join this effort to put a stop to these violators.

BusPatrol CEO & Founder Jean Souliere provided an overview of the BusPatrol company. He stated he is a transportation logistics technologist. He stated he met a family who was working to raise awareness and he and engineers went and met them and did some testing of equipment. He stated in 2015 he came to America. He stated their technology is now on close to 15,000 buses with contracts in hand to be on 50,000 buses before the end of this year. He stated in New York State they run the program for Suffolk County on 5,000 buses across 71 School Districts. He stated that they just launched their program in Dutchess County and Albany should begin sometime in March. He stated they run the program in Niagara City and they are working on a contract in Buffalo. He continued to speak to the areas BusPatrol are in the process of contracting with. He stated they have pilot programs running in Westchester County. He stated they have more than 6,000 buses in the State of New York that are equipped with AI technology to monitor the roads and help protect our children. He spoke to his presentation. (Presentation attached). He stated although the ticket rates are high, it does not eliminate the problem, unfortunately.

Legislator Castellano questioned since 2017 you have not seen a dramatic drop in the violations.

BusPatrol CEO & Founder Jean Souliere stated they have. He stated they went from one (1) ticket a day per bus. He stated the second year they did just below half a ticket per bus per year. He stated so the problem was cut in half. He stated the year before COVID they did about a third of a ticket per bus per day, in that market. He stated COVID happened and now this year they are still at about a third of a ticket per bus per day. He stated these are 5-year programs. He explained the way they look at it on the aggregate for the State, we know there will be some programs that will have a lot of tickets due to violations they view that as those programs pay for them to do it for less in markets where we know the ticketing rate will be less. He stated that allows for them to be better contributors to the people. He stated their vision and mission as a company is to protect kids by also going into the physical schools using AI technology to minimize the effect of mass casualty events. He stated they are a company focused on growing in public safety. He stated their program managers are all ex-law enforcement and most of their installers are ex-military.

Legislator Jonke questioned if the contract is with the Schools or the County.

BusPatrol CEO & Founder Jean Souliere stated the contract is with the County, the schools opt in, and the parties to the opt-in agreement are: the County, Schools, and BusPatrol.

Legislator Jonke stated who does BusPatrol report to.

BusPatrol CEO & Founder Jean Souliere stated they report to the County. He stated the enforcement data belongs to the County, from a disclosure and government perspective. He stated the video from inside the bus belongs to the School, and it is up to them to disclose as they see fit. He stated typically BusPatrol runs the program at the County level and build in the reporting and then report back to the School Districts on a regular basis, usually every six (6) months.

Legislator Jonke questioned if they have any competitors.

BusPatrol CEO & Founder Jean Souliere stated there is a competitor that does automated enforcement, red light and speed. He stated they have approximately 1,000 buses with their technology over America. He stated BusPatrol has a lot more. He stated BusPatrol is the only automated enforcement that uses AI and machine learning. He explained older technology struggles with being able to build quality evidence in ever changing environments.

Legislator Jonke stated he would like to recognize Scott Seaman, who is a Brewster School Board member. He stated he would like to point out in the Fall of 2019 Mr. Seaman reached out to he and Legislator Castellano. He stated they had a meeting shortly after the State Law had been adopted. He stated there was a request to put this on last evenings Rules, Enactments & Intergovernmental Relations (Rules) Committee meeting, because as Transportation Supervisor Mary Smith stated there is no better time to act than now. He stated he is disappointed it was not placed on the February 9, 2022, Rules meeting agenda. He stated that now this will take an additional month.

Chairwoman Nacerino expressed that she was not in agreement that this matter has been delayed by an additional month. She stated she believes this discussion and presentation has furtherance the process. She stated on February 17<sup>th</sup> this presentation will be given at the Traffic Safety Board meeting.

Legislator Jonke stated the Legislature has a proposed law.

Chairwoman Nacerino stated the Legislature has a proposed law, that we do not know if it is applicable.

Legislator Jonke stated that could have been discussed at the Rules meeting.

Chairwoman Nacerino facilitated further discussion with Legislator Jonke regarding the timing and future steps in this process. She stated this is an arduous process and there are many things to be considered prior to the consideration of a local law.

Legislator Montgomery stated this matter has been in front of the Traffic Safety Board several times. She questioned if this company went by a different name in the past, Bus Safety Solutions.

BusPatrol CEO & Founder Jean Souliere replied no.

Legislator Montgomery stated she has a concern with the storing and handling of data captured by the cameras.

BusPatrol CEO & Founder Jean Souliere stated he understands that concern. He stated when you speak about privacy, the first element is scope of use. He stated the scope of use for this technology is limited to the enforcement of the traffic laws. He stated there is no other use or access granted. He stated the data is held inside a DVR on the school bus. It is completely encrypted under lock and key. He stated the only thing that gets transmitted to the backend Amazon Web Services processing cloud, which is managed and secured by BusPatrol, are the little clips of videos that are the stop arm events. He stated if the clip is found to not be a violation and does not lead to a ticket, it gets deleted immediately that day. He stated all the data that sits locally on the hard drive gets recorded over, every 30 days. He stated, no data lives longer than 30 days, the scope of use is limited and the flow of data is also limited. He stated the next piece to be concerned with is retention. He stated when there is evidence, how long does that need to be kept would be based on Local or State Law. He stated the internal video cameras are managed by the same data privacy rules that are already in place in the Schools, as the Schools already have cameras on their premises. He stated this enhances their ability to manage privacy. He stated an individual needs the username, password to log in, and to identify themselves. He stated the access can be centralized, which has been very helpful to School Districts.

Legislator Montgomery questioned if the data is admissible in a disciplinary proceeding for a ticket.

BusPatrol CEO & Founder Jean Souliere stated the New York State Bill 1174 talks about the law and 1174-a speaks to the automated enforcement application of that law. He stated it states it is a civil penalty, there are no points, no impacts on insurance, it is a monetary penalty for offenders. He stated the ticket is issued to the offenders, the owner of the vehicle. He stated in court preponderous of evidence is the threshold, 50 + 1%, and it is usually handled through Administrative Hearings. He stated that is how these are judicated typically. He stated the law does provide for the use of video evidence as the prima facie evidence for the case and it is deemed to be true in the absence of proof to the contrary.

Legislator Montgomery stated she is confident her school district will do their due diligence and comment on this. She stated in the presentation it stated there is no fiscal impact to municipalities, to the County. She stated the fact sheet from New York Association of Counties states "the establishing municipality has two (2) fiscal responsibilities: one (1) is providing the equipment for the demonstration program and two (2) is placing program notification signage on all roadway entrances to the County border.

BusPatrol CEO & Founder Jean Souliere stated the contract with BusPatrol puts that burden on BusPatrol.

Legislator Montgomery responded by sighting the fact that explains the 60% of the funding that would go to BusPatrol.

Chairwoman Nacerino requested that BusPatrol CEO & Founder Souliere speak to what can be done if there are pedestrians, walking or cycling in the area of their cameras and also recorded on the videos.

BusPatrol CEO & Founder Souliere stated if there are recognizable faces, they have the technology to blur the faces out, if it were required.

Chairwoman Nacerino questioned how it is handled when Putnam Schools buses travel into other Counties.

BusPatrol CEO & Founder Souliere explained the ticket is issued by the local authority. He stated where the offense is captured. He gave an example: A Dutchess County School Bus is in Putnam County and the camera picks up a violation. He stated that violation is processed and approved by Putnam County and the monies associated with that violation stay with Putnam County, even though it was a Dutchess County Bus that generated it. He stated it is the same concept throughout the State. He gave another example of a School District in a County that does not opt-in to the program. If there is a violation picked up by the BusPatrol camera by a School Bus that has opted-in, and because the County has the law and the authority by section l174- a of the Vehicle & Traffic NY State Law to issue tickets, then tickets will be issued, even if the School District, where the violation occurs, has not opted in.

Brewster School District Transportation Supervisor Mary Smith spoke to past practice, approximately 30 years ago people who witnessed this violation use to be able to report the license plate and send it to Albany, and a letter was sent to the owner of the vehicle stating the violation was witnessed. She stated that is still a practice, but unfortunately it is not very effective. She stated she supports moving forward with a program like this, as it proves to be effective. She shared her history working to make School Bus safety a priority and explained she is and has been passionate about this matter for many years. She explained in 2019 she first approached Sheriff McConville's predecessor, who informed her that it was a matter that should be addressed by the Town. She stated as a Councilwoman for the Town of Patterson, she brought the matter to the Supervisor, who stated it should be done as a County, since the School Buses travel throughout the Towns. She stated she returned to the previous Sheriff who put a focus on revenue, which was not her focus. She stated her focus was to stop the violators. She stated she continued to work on this, then COVID hit. She stated she reached out to Chairwoman Nacerino to ask for her assistance in moving this forward. She stated when she was looking at purchasing buses this year, the salesperson explained it is costing the School Distrct a lot in equipping the buses with cameras, that is when she was told about BusPatrol and their program. She stated it was explained to her that the savings in the school not getting the cameras would be almost enough to purchase another bus. She stated again, her goal is to keep the children safe.

Chairwoman Nacerino stated that is the objective of the Legislature as well. She repeated before moving forward, it is important to understand the gravity of this program, the internals of the program and the Legislators need to be equipped with some education as we move forward.

Deputy County Attorney Conrad Pasquale stated this matter was handled by another Attorney in the law department, who has since left. He stated he did review the file and found a memorandum and a proposed sample law that was sent by the County Executive to the Legislature in January of 2020. He stated no action was taken and the matter was tabled by the Rules committee due to COVID. He stated as mentioned Dutchess did pass and recently put into effect a Law to address this matter. He stated he has compared the Dutchess law with the law provided by the County Executive in 2020. He stated the County Executive's proposed law was prepared by NYSAC and they were instrumental in getting the enabling statue 1174-a passed. He stated the two (2) laws are essentially the same. He stated there may be some minor differences, but the bulk is the same. He sated he is sharing this, so that if/when a request is made of the County Law Department it will not take long at all to create a proposed law for the Legislature's consideration.

Chairwoman Nacerino thanked Deputy County Attorney Conrad Pasquale for that information. She stated she wants to make sure the Legislators are educated going into this as to what we are adopting and why we are adopting it, and how the internals will work.

Legislator Castellano questioned if the BusPatrols equipment could work to assist with Amber Alerts.

BusPatrol CEO & Founder Souliere explained that is outside the scope of what the Law would permit for their cameras to do.

Legislator Castellano recognized Brewster School District Transportation Supervisor Mary Smith and the fantastic job that she does in her job for the students in the Brewster School District. He shared that his daughter had two (2) terrible bus stops, Route 22 and Birch Hill Road. He stated when his children were in kindergarten, he wished they had this technology.

BusPatrol CEO & Founder Souliere stated sometimes the School Bus Drivers are not taken into consideration when discussing this topic. He stated the reality is, it is not a good working environment for a School Bus Driver to see a child leave their bus, and then see a vehicle violating the flashing bus light. He stated also, he does not want the County to stress, he committed to getting Putnam County to a point of being live with BusPatrol, if that is the final decision. He stated BusPatrol will step the County through every phase of the process. He explained he is not a CEO that works behind a spreadsheet and desk. He is available to contact with questions and will pop panels off buses and talk to offenders and get involved at the grassroots level.

Ronald Reid of the Community Engagement & Policy Advisory Board questioned if BusPatrol information subject to a Freedom of Information (FOIL) request.

BusPatrol CEO & Founder Souliere stated the data is owned by law enforcement and schools. He explained if a School has a piece of data, and it gets FOILed they have to follow procedure. He stated if it is evidence being used in a court case then that data would not be FOILable.

Mike Koenig member of Putnam Valley Transportation staff questioned how would BusPatrol address the situation that exist in Putnam Valley. He explained half of the Putnam Valley Bus Fleet is owned by the School and the other half are contracted.

BusPatrol CEO & Founder Souliere stated that is covered by the law 1174-a. He stated once the County establishes the Program it is authorized by the State to put the cameras on District owned buses or 3<sup>rd</sup> party operated buses. He spoke to that in further detail. He finished by stating the third party will be asked what assets they do have assigned to the contract and what are the pools and where do they go. He stated BusPatrol makes sure that they equipped them all and the correct ones.

Ronald Reid of the Community Engagement & Policy Advisory Board questioned if there is any additional training required for the Bus Drivers.

BusPatrol CEO & Founder Souliere stated there is no additional training needed in relation to their system. He stated they have learned that not all Bus Drivers are using their warning signals according to proper procedure. He stated when they see driver training opportunities BusPatrol will contact the School District and notify them that their Bus Drivers are not operating their stop arms accordingly, so they may want to train them. He stated BusPatrol did make training videos for Suffolk County Bus Drivers. He stated they address how to use the amber light and how to use their red light and why and what the overall warning period is.

Legislator Addonizio questioned what can be done to train new drivers about the School Bus safety laws.

BusPatrol CEO & Founder Souliere stated it is covered on the Department of Motor Vehicles Test. He stated additionally, they have a lot of information on-line and they have an advocacy program on social media.

Legislator Addonizio stated she would hope the Schools would hold require educational courses on this.

BusPatrol CEO & Founder Souliere stated the County could work with the Schools to encourage that they run programs. He stated the County can decide how they will reinvest in the community to make it safer.

Chairwoman Nacerino thanked both BusPatrol CEO & Founder Souliere and Brewster School District Transportation Supervisor Mary Smith for providing so much valuable information. She stated she looks forward to continuing this conversation. She stated she is also a member of the Rules Committee. She stated they will address enacting a law in the Rules Committee. She stated she hopes we can bring this to fruition as soon as possible.

## Item#6 - Update/ Radio Project & Radio List/ Director IT/GIS Tom Lannon/ Chairwoman Ginny Nacerino

Chairwoman Nacerino stated as the Legislative representative for the Fire Advisory Board (FAB), she was in attendance at their last meeting. She stated discussion ensued regarding the Radio Project and the capability of them being furnished with Radios. She stated they said in order for the Radio Project to be successful, they need the proper Radios and Tools. She stated unfortunately FAB members Justyn Lewis and Chris Tobin were unable to make tonight's meeting due to a scheduling conflict.

Director IT/GIS Tom Lannon stated the initial quote from Motorola was \$9 million, with a \$3.2 million discount, when the County signed with them. He stated Motorola did notify the County that they would deeply discount those radios, this one time. He stated he requested a list of the Radios they were referring to. He stated the deal is very good, if the County were to buy the Radios we need at a discounted rate it would cost \$3.5 million. He stated Motorola is offering the County the Radios at the cost of \$1.7 million. He continued to speak to this matter. He stated he has submitted a request for \$2.5 million from the American Rescue Plan funds. He stated he has heard of other Counties that have been approved for that funding. He stated he gave that information to Commissioner of Finance Carlin. He stated we are in a good spot. He stated he calculates there will be 186 subscribers, which is how many radios there will be throughout the County. He stated the 186 radios includes the County Departments, Sheriff's Departments, the Fire Departments, and the Police Departments,

Chairwoman Nacerino stated she had heard the School Districts are being given buttons. She requested he speak to that.

Director IT/GIS Tom Lannon stated County Executive Odell was instrumental in that. He explained each School will be given a Radio with a big red button on it. When the red button is pressed an emergency call goes out immediately and a microphone is opened where the button was pressed, additionally the plan is that it will also open up the School Resource Officers' Radios, as they are in the Schools. He stated they offered and built the system out to include the local Highway Departments, if they would choose to be a part of it. He stated the County wants every municipality and School District to use this system.

Chairwoman Nacerino stated at the next FAB she is sure they will all be very happy to hear this. She stated it is not a case of a want, it is a need. She stated she is happy to hear that the American Rescue Plan funds have been applied for.

Legislator Montgomery stated she recalls that the County received grant funding for this.

Director IT/GIS Tom Lannon stated that is correct, but it did not cover all the costs. He stated the County received a \$6 million Targeted Grant, and then a Formula Grant was received. He explained the Formula Grant funding in the amount of \$500,000 - \$600,000 is received every year and that funding is used to offset the cost of warranty payments. He stated the bulk of the expense with the Radio Project is the Towers and the Shelters.

Ronald Reid of the Community Engagement & Policy Advisory Board questioned if there are funds budgeted for the upkeep of the radios and what is the projected cost for the upkeep.

Director IT/GIS Tom Lannon stated it will cost approximately \$300,000 per year for the warranty on all the equipment, also there is a cost when a radio is moved from one vehicle to another, and the County does have money budgeted for that.

### Item #7 - Discussion/ House Number on Homes / Legislator William Gouldman

Chairwoman Nacerino stated she will make a motion to table this agenda item. She stated Legislator Gouldman, who requested this matter be discussed, was unable to attend this meeting.

Chairwoman Nacerino made a motion to table agenda item #7; Seconded by Legislator Sayegh. All in favor.

## Item #8 - Discussion/ Proposal- Formation of Advance Life Support (ALS) Oversight Committee/ Members of the P.C. Fire Advisory Board Chris Tobin & Justyn Lewis/ Chairwoman Ginny Nacerino

Chairwoman Nacerino explained as she mentioned earlier, the Members of the Fire Advisory Board Chris Tobin and Justyn Lewis, had a scheduling conflict, and were unable to be in attendance. Therefore, she will make a motion to table this agenda item.

Chairwoman Nacerino made a motion to table agenda item #8; Seconded by Legislator Sayegh. All in favor.

## Item #9 - FYI/ NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services- Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) Operations Grant Program 2021-22 Grant/ BES Commissioner Kenneth Clair

Chairwoman Nacerino explained this grant does not have matching funds, therefore it is an "FYI" to the Legislature.

Director IT/GIS Tom Lannon stated the PSAP Grant is a formula-based grant that the County has received for several years. He stated the funding is used to help fund the Public Service Answering Point, which is the County 911 Call Center.

## Item #10 - FYI/ NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services- Statewide Interoperable Communications Grant Program (Formula -Based Grant Program)/ BES Commissioner Kenneth Clair

Chairwoman Nacerino explained this grant does not have matching funds, therefore it is an "FYI" to the Legislature.

Director IT/GIS Tom Lannon stated this grant is a formula-based grant, which he referenced earlier in relation to the Radio Project. He stated the County receives it annually and is awarded

between \$500,000 and \$600,000. He stated the funding must be used for the Radio Project to maintain our radio system.

Legislator Montgomery requested confirmation that the purpose of these two grants being on the agenda is not notify the Legislature that the grants are being applied for. She stated the Legislature will need to approve accepting the funding.

Chairwoman Nacerino stated that is correct.

## Item #11 - Approval/ Re-Appointments to Emergency Services Safety Advisory Board/ County Executive MaryEllen Odell

Legislator Montgomery requested when these appointments and re-appointments are made that the full list of the particular Board be included. She stated she has also requested that a background of experience or resume be provided for each person who is being requested to be on a board. She stated the Clerks of the Legislature have the list of the members of the boards.

Chairwoman Nacerino confirmed that can be done.

Chairwoman Nacerino made a motion to accept the Re-Appointments to the Emergency Services Safety Advisory Board; Seconded by Legislator Sayegh. All in favor.

## Item #12 - Approval/ Appointments and Re-Appointments to the Traffic Safety Board/ Coordinator/ Liaison to the Putnam County Traffic Safety Board Judie Mira

Chairwoman Nacerino made a motion to approve the Re-Appointments to the Traffic Safety Board/ Coordinator; Seconded by Legislator Sayegh. All in favor.

#### Item #13 - Other Business

Chairwoman Nacerino made a motion to approve the Other Business; Seconded by Legislator Sayegh. All in favor.

a.) Approval/ Budgetary Amendment (22A012)/ This is based on an Agreement Between the Putnam County Sheriff's Office (PCSO) and Homeland Security Investigations, New York Field Office, to Receive Reimbursable Funds incurred by PCSO in providing resources to joint operations/ Sheriff Kevin McConville

Chairwoman Nacerino made a motion to approve Budgetary Amendment (22A012) funding based on an Agreement Between the Putnam County Sheriff's Office (PCSO) and Homeland Security Investigations, New York Field Office, to Receive Reimbursable Funds incurred by PCSO in providing resources to joint operations; Seconded by Legislator Sayegh. All in favor.

### **Item #14 - Adjournment**

There being no further business at 8:24 PM Chairwoman Nacerino made a motion to adjourn; Seconded by Legislator Sayegh. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted by Deputy Clerk Diane Trabulsy.