

**PROTECTIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD IN COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING- RM#318
40 GLENEIDA AVEUNE
CARMEL, NY 10512**

Members: Chairwoman Nacerino & Legislators Sayegh, Sullivan

Tuesday

December 13, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 6:34PM 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/ November 17, 2022

Chairwoman Nacerino stated the minutes were accepted as submitted.

Item #4 – Approval/ Fund Transfer – 22T344/ Lights for the Bureau of Emergency Services 2022 Tahoe/ Bureau of Emergency Services Commissioner Ken Clair

Deputy Commissioner Bureau of Emergency Services Lipton stated this is a request for funding that will outfit a new vehicle purchased in June of 2022. He stated they researched and found a company that carries what is needed and at a good price.

Legislator Sayegh questioned if this will cover the installation as well.

Deputy Commissioner Bureau of Emergency Services Lipton confirmed it does.

Chairwoman Nacerino made a motion to approve Fund Transfer – 22T344/ Lights for the Bureau of Emergency Services 2022 Tahoe; Seconded by Legislator Sayegh. All in favor.

Item#5 - Approval/ Re-new the Community Engagement and Police Advisory Board (CEPAB)/ CEPAB Board Members

Chairwoman Nacerino stated the CEPAB Board sent her as Chair of this committee a letter stating their intention to continue the CEPAB for another year. She read the letter and the resolution into the record.

Legislator Montgomery questioned if the appointments to the board need to be approved/confirmed by the Legislature.

Legislative Counsel Firriolo stated he believes there may have been some initial appointments. He stated once they established their own board and adopted their own by-laws the board became completely independent.

Legislator Sayegh stated the CEPAB did receive their 501C status this year. She stated they are a not-for-profit and are able to establish their own board and by-laws, as Legislative Counsel stated.

Legislator Albano stated his support for the CEPAB and the work they do.

Chairwoman Nacerino made a motion to Approve Renewal of the Community Engagement and Police Advisory Board (CEPAB); Seconded by Legislator Sayegh. All in favor.

Item#6 - Approval/ Authorization for Intermunicipal Agreement with Certain Putnam County Municipalities to Effectuate A Mutual Aid And Rapid Response Plan For The Police Departments Of Participating Municipalities (If approved move to the 2023 Jan Org Mtg)/ Sheriff McConville

Sheriff McConville stated that they are requesting review of the signatory on the proposed mutual aid plan. He stated Putnam County does not have a mutual aid plan amongst its law enforcement. He explained on a day-to-day basis law enforcement has provided aid and assistance to each other. He stated this Intermunicipal Agreement (IMA) is for more serious matters. He stated he has met with all the local Town Police Departments: Carmel, Kent, and Villages: Brewster and Cold Spring. He stated that they are in favor of this. He stated if/when it is passed at the County level they will then go to each municipality and they will sign off after they are given a presentation with their legislative bodies. He explained that he was one of the initial authors of this proposal in Westchester County after September 11, 2001. He stated this IMA includes personnel response, equipment, tactical and various intel resources.

Chairwoman Nacerino stated this is a confidential matter. She stated if any Legislators have a question, they can ask it but be aware it may be determined that it an Executive Session is necessary.

Legislator Sayegh questioned if there will be a cost to the County.

Sheriff McConville stated there is no cost involved.

Legislator Sayegh questioned how would overtime be handled.

Sheriff McConville stated each police department is responsible for their employee's overtime. He elaborated that the answer will also be scenario driven, depending on what the incident is. He stated there may be incidents when State or Federal funding can be utilized to cover overtime expenditures. He offered a few different scenarios for clarification.

Chairwoman Nacerino facilitated further discussion.

Legislator Montgomery questioned if this plan has been presented by the Sheriff to the elected officials in the Towns and Villages.

Sheriff McConville stated it was shared with all the municipalities police departments to have a discussion with their government.

Legislator Montgomery stated the Mayors and Supervisors are responsible and should see this as they are the ones who will be signing it.

Chairwoman Nacerino stated the Sheriff said that this is the first step. He explained then each municipality will need to execute it as well. She stated Sheriff McConville also stated that the Intermunicipal Agreement has been shared with each of the law enforcement departments and they are to share it with their Town/Village representatives.

Legislator Montgomery stated her recommendation is before the Legislature adopts this Intermunicipal Agreement, the County should wait to see if there is any feedback from the Towns and/or Villages. She noted a section of the Intermunicipal Agreement that she believed was unclear.

Legislator Albano stated if any of the municipalities have feedback, they can provide it. He stated his support for the County moving forward with this.

Sheriff McConville stated this has been shared with the local police department and they have voiced their acceptance and approval. He stated they were each asked to share the Intermunicipal Agreement with their governmental leaders and to set up meetings with their governmental leaders so they, himself, and any member of his command staff could discuss said document as they review it and prepare to bring it forth for resolution in their operations.

Legislator Montgomery expressed her request that the Intermunicipal Agreement be shared by the Sheriff and/or the Legislature, since we are the ones asking them to do this.

Chairwoman Nacerino stated the Sheriff has stated the process that he has put in place. She stated she is confident that if there is feedback from the municipalities it will be communicated. She stated law enforcement, those with the expertise, were part of the creation of the Intermunicipal Agreement. She stated she is satisfied with the process Sheriff McConville has shared with us. She requested that Legislative Counsel Firriolo provide his professional opinion on this process.

Legislative Counsel Firriolo stated as long as the Intermunicipal Agreement gets to the interested parties, the process is appropriate. He stated it began with the working groups and made its way to the Legislature and the Chief Executives. He stated he does not see this as being the County of Putnam's responsibility to send it to the municipalities Executives and Legislature. He stated the implementing agencies will seek approval from who they need to get their approval from. He stated he agrees with Legislator Montgomery that this needs to be signed by each of the Executives and approved by the Legislative Body of each participating municipality.

Legislator Sayegh questioned at what point does the Intermunicipal Agreement go to the Towns to be signed. She stated if this gets approved tonight it will go to the January Organizational

meeting of the Legislature. She questioned if after that, does it go to the Towns and Villages for signature.

Legislative Counsel Firriolo explained with a legal agreement that is executed in counter parts, which is what this is considered, the order of signature does not matter. He stated once all the signatories have signed it or have opted not to, the Intermunicipal Agreement becomes effective between the signing entities. He stated unless there is something specific in the agreement that states everyone needs to sign it.

Chairwoman Nacerino made a motion to Approve and move to the January 2023 Organizational Meeting the Authorization for Intermunicipal Agreement with Certain Putnam County Municipalities to Effectuate A Mutual Aid And Rapid Response Plan For The Police Departments Of Participating Municipalities; Seconded by Legislator Sayegh. All in favor.

Item#7 - Other Business - None

Item #8 - Adjournment

There being no further business at 7:01PM Chairwoman Nacerino made a motion to adjourn; Seconded by Legislator Sayegh. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted by Deputy Clerk Diane Trabulsy.