

Minutes
Public Safety Committee
April 15, 2026, 4:00 p.m., Legislative Chambers
Livestreamed on YouTube
Gerace Office Building, Mayville, NY

Members Present: Gustafson, Proctor, Merritt, Larson

Members Absent: Bankoski

Others Present: Chagnon, Guillory, Taylor, Pless, Swoap, Sharp, Zafuto, Swan, Guttman, Quattrone, Rensel, Enlow

Complete video of meeting can be viewed on YouTube

Legislator Gustafson called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes (3/18/2026)

MOVED by Legislator Proctor, SECONDED by Legislator Larson to approve the minutes

Unanimously Carried

Privilege of the Floor

Legislator Gustafson: And now we will open the privilege of the floor. Is there anyone here to speak to the privilege of the floor?

Legislator Larson: I would like to, Madame Chair, with the sheriff here I'd like to commend him and his dive team to have gone into Chautauqua Lake as many times as they apparently did, determining the location of an automobile, trying to find the operator of the automobile. Happened to be crossing the Chautauqua Lake bridge one day and saw the operation on the north side of the bridge a few hours later saw the operation on the south side of the bridge. I would not have wanted to have been in that cold water that day. So, I think it's just appropriate as the Sheriff's County legislator that I compliment him and his people for that service to the public. Thank you.

Legislator Gustafson: Thank you. We do have Sheriff Quattrone here, who would like to speak.

Sheriff Quattrone: Legislator Larson mentioned to me that he would be mentioning this. I want to point out that our dive team consists of, well, half of the members are from the Sheriff's Office and the other half are from the fire service and Guttman here. I wanted to recognize that,

as well. And, not only that, we had fire service and other people there assisting with us. We can't really do that work without the partnership.

Legislator Larson: State police, you told me.

Sheriff Quattrone: State police were at the scene, Erie County Sheriff's, and the New York State Park Police were all present and helping with the search. Thank you.

Legislator Gustafson: Thank you. Seeing no one else to speak to the first privilege of the floor, we will close the privilege of the floor and move on to resolutions.

Proposed Resolution – Confirm Appointment– Chautauqua County Emergency Medical Services Council—*Presented by Noel Guttman, Director of Emergency Services*

Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution – Confirm Appointment – Chautauqua County Fire Advisory Board
—*Presented by Noel Guttman, Director of Emergency Services*

Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution – Amend 2026 Budget for the Department of Probation—*Presented by Gilbert Taylor, Director of Probation and Sam Zafuto, Deputy Director of Finance*

Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution – Authorize Execution of New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services Grant Community Outreach and Risk Reduction Program “COT” FY 2026—*Presented by Jim Quattrone, County Sheriff and Reilly Enlow, Fiscal Supervisor for the Sheriff's Department*

Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution – Authorize Standardization of Axon-brand Camera and Software Products at the Chautauqua County Office of the Sheriff
—*Presented by Jim Quattrone, County Sheriff and Reilly Enlow, Fiscal Supervisor for the Sheriff's Department*

Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution – Authorize Agreement with Chautauqua-Cattaraugus Erie II BOCES for Culinary Arts Instruction 2026-2027—*Presented by Jim Quattrone, County Sheriff and Reilly Enlow, Fiscal Supervisor for the Sheriff's Department*

Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution – Amend 2026 Budget for the Jail – Office of the Sheriff —*Presented by Jim Quattrone, County Sheriff and Reilly Enlow, Fiscal Supervisor for the Sheriff's Department*

Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution – Government Reduction Initiative Assistance for Town of Ripley for Development of Multi-Municipality Dog Shelter Facility—*Presented by Lauren Sharp, Senior Planner with the Department of Planning & Development, Laura Pless, Ripley Town Supervisor, and Lee Swoap, Deputy Supervisor of the Town of Ripley*

Carried, with Legislator Larson Voting “No.”

MOVED by Legislator Proctor, SECONDED by Legislator Merritt to adjourn

Unanimously Carried (4:34 p.m.)

Respectfully submitted and transcribed,
Olivia L. Lee, Clerk of the Legislature/Kristi R. Zink, Deputy Clerk