

**CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE MEETING**

**April 24, 2007**

**Meeting called to order at 6:05 p.m.**

**Present:** Legislators Frank Dart, Leonard Distel, Susan Zimet, Richard Parete, Robert Aiello.

**Distel:** Resolution creating permanent field office site for ex-offenders.  
**Discussion:** City of Kingston building being donated. Being looked at tonight. Amend to read that it should not be near schools or daycare centers. Dart expressed some concerns about the language (ie: should be the “responsibility” of the UC Legislature). Distel recommends passing it through the Committee and let it be discussed at caucus. Every expressed concerns with passing a resolution before having a confirmed building. Distel explained that the resolution is needed because of grant money. Parete stated that the resolution merely shows that “we’re” taking action to put an office somewhere, anywhere.  
**Motion:** Parete.  
**Seconded:** Distel.  
**\*amended with the changes\***  
**All in favor.**  
**Carried.**

**Freer:** **Purchase Request: Six (6) Olympus Cameras - \$2279.00 Is in budget.**  
**Motion:** Parete.  
**Seconded:** Every.  
**All in Favor.**  
**Carried.**

**Purchase Request: Two (2) portable radios - \$2760.00**  
**Motion:** Parete.  
**Seconded:** Every.  
**All in Favor.**  
**Carried.**

**Miller:** **Purchase Request: Three (3) Stalker Radios (Radar)**  
**Is part of annual plan, is in budget, for Lloyd, Marlborough and Sheriff’s Office.**  
**Motion:** Every.  
**Seconded:** Distel.  
**All in Favor.**  
**Carried.**

**Conference Attendance Requests: (2)**  
**Annual Meeting – request to purchase food for guests.**  
**Training at UCCC – 4 hour training.**  
**Both requests are less than \$1000 – approved by Chairman.**

**NOTE: Stop DWI is not listed in the new Charter. John will get with Gary Bishof about.**

**DeGasperis:** **Resolution: Regarding waiver. To schedule public hearing.**

**Motion: Parete.**  
**Seconded: Distel.**  
**All in Favor.**  
**Carried.**

**Williams: Request to create new position – Assistant D.A. (entry level). \$42,441.00. Does not get overtime, does not get comp time. Benefits to be determined by County Administrator. No matching funds.**

**Motion: Every.**  
**Seconded: Zimet.**  
**All in Favor.**  
**Carried.**

**Resolution to accept grant money - \$16,013.00 to offset the salary of the new proposed Assistant D.A..**

**Motion: Parete.**  
**Seconded: Zimet.**  
**All in Favor.**  
**Carried.**

**\*\* By passing this resolution tonight, it shows Committee support. Resolution will still have to go through Ways & Means and full Legislature. Zimet states that Ways & Means will debate this because it's not in the budget, has to come out of contingency\*\***

**Schmidt: Request new position be created. Upgrade from CCP Aid (Grade 1) to CCP Assistant (Grade 4). Is in the budget.**

**Motion: Distel.**  
**Seconded: Every.**  
**All in Favor.**  
**Carried.**

**Resolution to Receive money – Agreement with City of Kingston - \$21,547.00  
Alternative Sentencing will receive the money.**

**Motion: Every.**  
**Seconded: Distel.**  
**All in Favor.**  
**Carried.**

**NYS Coalition – receive grant money - \$4800.00 (for specialized exams, training)**

**Motion: Zimet.**  
**Seconded: Every.**  
**All in Favor.**  
**Carried.**

**Conference Attendance Request: (1) \$1779.00 (3 attendees)  
Fundamentals of Probation Practice  
Approved singly – each under \$1000 – approved by Chairman.**

**VanBlarcum: Resolution – Inmate Boarding-Out - \$61,430.00**

**Motion: Parete.**  
**Seconded: Distel.**

**All in Favor.**

**Carried.**

**URGENT: \$22,500 – Resolution for County to give this money to URGENT.**

**Motion: Aiello.**

**Seconded: Zimet.**

**All in Favor.**

**Carried.**

**\*\*Zimet suggests planning a community informational meeting about this with parents and interested citizens. Committee supports the idea.\*\***

**Request for Salary Increase for Jail Clergy from \$12.00 to \$14.35.**

**Motion: Parete.**

**Seconded: Zimet.**

**All in Favor.**

**Carried.**

**Resolution: Watch Systems - \$7000.00**

**Zimet: This will be an issue at Ways & Means – out of contingency.**

**Motion: Aiello.**

**Seconded: Parete.**

**All in Favor.**

**Carried.**

**Resolution – Oneida County – agreement for boarding out.**

**Motion: Parete.**

**Seconded: Aeillo.**

**All in Favor.**

**Carried.**

**Requests to Fill – (2)**

**Full Time Temp Deputy Sheriff / no benefits**

**Blanket Part Time Emergency Services Dispatcher / no benefits**

**Motion: Aiello.**

**Seconded: Parete.**

**All in Favor.**

**Carried.**

**Zimet: Discussion about local bars being kept open until 4:00 a.m. Asks to pursue closing bars at 2:00 a.m. and not 4:00 a.m. Discussion – no resolve.**

**Zimet: Legislation by Schumer and McCarthy: Background checks and purchase of guns.**

**Parete – we’re being consumed by memorializing resolutions.**

**Zimet – local resolutions help our Congressmen.**

**Dart – suggests discussing later in the meeting so that D.A. Williams can give his report to the committee on Sex Offender issues.**

**Williams: Draft of “Comprehensive Plan to Manage Sex Offenders in Ulster County”. Submitted to committee. Dart suggests each committee member take home, read and discuss at May meeting.**

**Williams and Sheriff's Office will offer their time at a special session to explain and expound on sex offender issues.**

**Williams suggests getting the County Attorney involved soon, to review.**

**Dart suggests that homeless sex offenders would have to report to nearest local jail facility.**

**Freer said that Correction Law addresses that already.**

**Dart will invite DSS, Mental Health, etc. to special meeting.**

**Snyder: Met with Brenda Bartholomew and Dave Lyons regarding Emergency Services Dispatchers and the newly created positions at Sheriff's Office with new salary / benefit structure which is causing him to lose full time Dispatchers to Sheriff's Office. They said they'd look at the problems and try to resolve.**

**Ambulance Service problems are being taken care of.**

**Disaster – waiting for declarations.**

**Agreement with City of Kingston: renew agreement. Asking for support of Committee. The agreement allows for retaining equipment. Weapons of Mass Destruction Grant.**

**Motion: Parete.**

**Seconded: Every.**

**\*\*Committee supports renewal of agreement. Motion to authorize Chairman to sign.**

**Ellsworth: Purchase Request – Manuals for training - \$2182.40**

**Motion: Every.**

**Seconded: Aiello.**

**All in Favor.**

**Carried.**

**\*\*Charlie Mutz will be home on April 30<sup>th</sup>)**

**Zimet: Continues discussion regarding background checks / weapons purchases / memorializing resolution.**

**Committee members begin to exit meeting, leaving Zimet / Dart / Parete to discuss the resolution proposal. No resolve.**

**Motion to Adjourn – 8:00 p.m.**

**Motion: Parete.**

**Seconded: Every.**

**All in Favor.**

**Carried.**

**Minutes recorded and prepared by Barbara O'Brien – Ulster County Sheriff's Office.**