

September 13, 2018

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE  
REPORT NO. 11

ALL MEMBERS PRESENT.  
CHAIR SAVAGE PRESENT AS EX-OFFICIO MEMBER.

1. RESOLVED, the following items are hereby received and filed:
- a. COMM. 9E-9 (2018)  
**SHERIFF** “Award of Contract - Food Administration Services for Jail Management Facilities”  
(Chair’s ruling)

b. COMM. 15E-13 (2018)  
**COMPTROLLER** “Letter to Commissioner of Central Police Services Concerning Fentanyl Exposure at EC Lab”  
(Chair’s ruling)

c. COMM. 15E-18 (2018)  
**SHERIFF** “Seized Assets Fund Transfer”  
(Chair’s ruling)

d. COMM. 16D-3 (2018)  
**COMMISSIONER OF CENTRAL POLICE SERVICES** “Letter to Chair of Public Safety Committee Regarding Forensic Laboratory”  
(Chair’s ruling)
2. COMM. 16E-4 (2018)  
**SHERIFF**  
WHEREAS, the US Department of Homeland Security through the NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services has awarded \$100,000.00 to the Erie County Sheriff’s Office in funding specifically allocated to agencies with established SWAT Teams; and

WHEREAS, authorization is required from the Erie County Legislature for the County Executive to enter into contract and accept \$100,000.00 in federal resources to provide funds for specialized training and equipment to protect the residents of Erie County and the State of New York from terrorist attacks; and

WHEREAS, at the time of the grant application the Erie County Sheriff’s Office must submit a specific list of training modules and the NYSDHSES approved consultants; and

WHEREAS, the NYSDHSES must approve the training vendors prior to the award of the grant;  
and

WHEREAS, the NYSDHSES approved training and vendors for this grant are as follows:  
D-co, Leaders and Training LLC, PO box 376, Rockwood Maine 04478: Tactical Operations in a Cold Weather environment Training; and

WHEREAS, there will be no impact on County tax dollars.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature does hereby authorize the County Executive to enter into contract with the New York State Division of Homeland Security to accept grant funding in the amount of \$100,000.00 for FY17 for the Erie County Sheriff’s Office; and be it further

RESOLVED, that authorization is hereby provided to the Division of Budget and Management to establish funding for FY17 in the Grant Fund 281and budget those funds as follows:

Erie County Sheriff’s Office FY 2017 Tactical Team Targeted Grant July 26, 2018 to August 31, 2020	
<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>Increase</u>
Account 414000 – Federal Revenue	<u>\$ 100,000.00</u>
TOTAL REVENUE	<u>\$ 100,000.00</u>
<u>APPROPRIATIONS</u>	<u>Increase</u>
Account 561410 – Lab & Technical Equipment	<u>\$ 75,000.00</u>
Account 510200 – Training and Education	<u>\$ 25,000.00</u>

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Director of Budget and Management is hereby authorized to establish and adjust budgets as required to comply with State and Federal approved funding levels; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies be forwarded to the County Executive’s Office, the County Attorney, the Division of Budget and Management, the Office of the Comptroller, and the Office of the Sheriff.  
(6-0)

3. COMM. 16E-8 (2018)  
**SHERIFF**  
WHEREAS, the Erie County Sheriff’s Office seeks authorization to transfer seized asset funds for a new trailer to collect and transport unwanted prescription and over the counter drugs, a new mobile data terminal, mounting brackets, and mobile printer; and

WHEREAS, as the number of Sheriff, County, and local municipality prescription drug kiosks increases so does the number of disposal trips; and

WHEREAS, the Prescription Drug Unit utilizes a Special Services trailer to transport the collection barrels but the unit needs to empty the snowmobiles or ATVs to use the trailer; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff’s Office will also use the trailer to transport replacement car seats for the numerous car seat inspection events held throughout the year; and

WHEREAS, a new trailer would streamline the collection and transportation process as well for car seat inspection events; and

WHEREAS, the Deputy needs a laptop to process prescription drug reports and it will allow the Deputy, who also serves as the Sheriff’s alcohol compliance Deputy, to complete police reports, issue tickets and summonses in the field; and

WHEREAS, as of July 24, 2018, the Seized Asset Forfeiture Account balance is \$275,252.36; and

WHEREAS, the funds transferred from the Seized Assets Forfeiture Account for equipment is an U.S. Department of Justice authorized expenditure.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that \$9,700.00 in the Asset Forfeiture Trust Funds are available and are hereby transferred to the Erie County Sheriff’s Office Asset Forfeiture Funded Program; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the following budgetary transactions are hereby authorized:

ERIE COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE

Sheriff – SAFS Funded Program	
<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>DECREASE</u>
421550 Forfeiture Crime Proceeds	<u>\$9,700.00</u>

<u>APPROPRIATION</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>
561440 Motor Vehicles	\$4,500.00
561410 Lab & Tech	\$5,200.00
Total Revenue	<u>\$9,700.00</u>

and be it further

RESOLVED, that designated Seized Asset Fund expenditure meets the criteria established by the U.S. Department of Justice for the use of equitable shared funds; and be it further

RESOLVED, the Division of Budget and Management is authorized to make any technical adjustments necessary to effectuate this transfer should there be any unforeseen issues; and be it further

RESOLVED, the Erie County Comptroller’s Office is hereby authorized to release the designated funds and make any payments necessary to complete the purchase of new mobile data terminals and vehicle mounting brackets; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies be forwarded to the Division of Budget and Management, Erie County Comptroller, the Division of Purchase and the Chief of Administration of the Sheriff office for implementation.  
(6-0)

4. COMM. 16E-14 (2018)  
**COUNTY EXECUTIVE AS AMENDED**  
WHEREAS, the Erie County Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Services is responsible for providing public safety through comprehensive emergency management planning, preparedness, training, response and coordination of emergency services resources in Erie County during actual or potential disaster events; and

WHEREAS, the US Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency with administration of the funds through New York State Office of Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Services has agreed to provide funding in the amount of \$172,000.00 in federal assistance to continue the implementation of a program to enhance the ability of Erie County to manage emergency and disaster situations; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Services requires legislative approval to accept the funds and to establish a grant budget in Fund 281; and

WHEREAS, no County funds will be necessary for Erie County to accept these funds to serve individuals residing in Erie County; and

WHEREAS, this is a regional grant and Erie County is required to assist the Erie County Hazmat team, Niagara County Hazmat team and the Buffalo Fire Hazmat team; and

WHEREAS, authorization is required from the Erie County Legislature for the County Executive to enter into contact and accept \$172,000.00 in federal resources to provide funding for the purchase of necessary equipment to enhance the ability of Erie County to manage emergency and disaster situations,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature does hereby authorize the County Executive to accept US Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency with administration of the funds through New York State Office of Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Services to receive \$172,000.00 in grant funding for the Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Services; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this grant, under the Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Services, will meet the goals and objectives; and be it further

RESOLVED, these funds will be utilized to enhance the ability of Erie County to manage emergency and disaster situations; and be it further

RESOLVED, these funds will be utilized to assist the Erie County Hazmat Team, Niagara County Hazmat Team and the Buffalo Fire Hazmat Team; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the authorization is hereby provided to the Division of Budget and Management to establish funding in the Grant Fund 281, as follows:

Erie County Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Services  
Grant Fund 281, Fund Center 1670030  
August 1, 2018 – August 31, 2020  
HS167HAZMAT1720

Revenue Increase	
Account 414000 - Federal Revenue	\$172,000.00
Appropriation	Increase
Account 561410 – Equipment (Lab & Tech)	\$124,500.00
Account 510100 – Travel	11,500.00
Account 516030 – Maintenance	21,000.00
Account 505200 – Clothing Supplies	15,000.00

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Director of Budget and Management is hereby authorized to adjust items of appropriations and revenues which may be impacted by changes to the grantor award, provided there are no changes to county share amounts; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be sent to the County Executive's Office, the Division of Budget and Management, the Department of Personnel, the Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Services c/o Melissa Calhoun, the County Comptroller, and the County Attorney.  
(6-0)

5. COMM. 16E-19 (2018)  
**COUNTY EXECUTIVE**  
WHEREAS, the Department of Health in consultation with the Departments of Personnel and Labor Relations, hereby request approval to upgrade certain positions within the County of Erie; and

WHEREAS, the County risks losing existing and not being able to attract new talented employees as positional openings became available if the positions are not adjusted; and

WHEREAS, Erie County medical dispatchers often begin their careers and receive training from Erie County but then move to other higher paying municipalities; and

WHEREAS, Medical Emergency Radio System Coordinators perform a critical role in protecting public health and safety.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature approves the reallocation of the MERS Coordinator job title from a Job Group 7 to a Job Group 8 effective September 29, 2018; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Senior MERS Coordinator job title be reallocated from a Job Group 8 to a Job Group 9 also effective September 29, 2018; and be it further

RESOLVED, that subsequent salary increases for employees in these positions follow the salary scale schedules and other relevant provisions contained in the Collective Bargaining Agreement by and between the County of Erie and the CSEA Local 815; and be it further

RESOLVED, that funding to implement these reallocations currently exists in E-911 Fund, Emergency Services Division’s 2018 Budget as a result of existing vacancy savings and lesser than anticipated fringe benefits costs; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Director of Budget and Management is hereby authorized to make any and all required budgetary adjustments in the 2018 Budget to properly fund the increased costs associated with the job group increases, and the Commissioner of Personnel is authorized to make any necessary personnel adjustments to implement the increases; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Erie County Executive, Erie County Comptroller, Department of Budget and Management, Department of Labor Relations, Department of Personnel and the Erie County Fiscal Stability Authority.  
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6. COMM. 16E-23 (2018)  
**COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

WHEREAS, the City of Buffalo has been awarded funding under the Justice Assistance Grant program through the U.S. Department of Justice; and

WHEREAS, the Buffalo Police Department seeks the assistance of Central Police Services to provide law enforcement software enhancements for its projects.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the authorization is hereby provided for the County Executive to accept grant funding from the City of Buffalo in the amount of \$5,500; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the authorization is hereby provided to establish the grants in the budget of the Department of Central Police Services as follows:

Grant Fund – SAP #165CPSJAG1721  
Central Police Services  
10/1/2017 – 9/30/2021

<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Increase</u>
414000 Federal Aid	\$5,500
 <u>Appropriation</u>	 <u>Increase</u>
516020 Professional Services Contracts	\$5,500
 Total Appropriation	 \$5,500

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the authorization is hereby provided to contract with Globalquest Solutions Inc., a local WBE/New York State contract vendor in the amount of \$5,500 to provide the professional technical staff for these projects; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Director of Budget and Management is hereby authorized to establish and adjust budgets as required to comply with Federally approved funding levels; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Erie County Executive, the Division of Budget and Management, the Office of the Comptroller, and the Department of Central Police Services, attention: Brian Speers.  
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7. COMM. 16E-24 (2018)  
**COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

WHEREAS, the Erie County Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Services is responsible for providing public safety through comprehensive emergency management planning, preparedness, training, response and coordination of emergency services resources in Erie County during actual or potential disaster events; and

WHEREAS, the US Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency with administration of the funds through New York State Office of Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Services has agreed to provide funding in the amount of \$150,000 in Federal assistance to continue the implementation of a program to enhance the ability of Erie County to manage emergency and disaster situations; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Services requires legislative approval to accept the funds and to establish a grant budget in Fund 281; and

WHEREAS, no County funds will be necessary for Erie County to accept these funds to serve individuals residing in Erie County; and

WHEREAS, this is a regional grant and Erie County will purchase the necessary equipment and training for the seven (7) local Fire Departments (Gowanda Fire Company, Orchard Park Fire Company, Hillcrest Fire Company, West Falls Fire Company, East Aurora Fire Department, Eden Fire Department, West Seneca Fire District), the Erie County Sheriff’s Office, the Niagara Frontier Search & Rescue Team and the Western New York ALERT Swift Water Rescue Team; and

WHEREAS, authorization is required from the Erie County Legislature for the County Executive to enter into contact and accept \$150,000 in Federal resources to provide funding the purchase of necessary equipment to enhance the ability of Erie County to manage emergency and disaster situations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature does hereby authorize the County Executive to accept US Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency with administration of the funds through New York State Office of Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Services to receive \$150,000 in grant funding for the Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Services; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this grant, under the Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Services, will meet the goals and objectives; and be it further

RESOLVED, these funds will be utilized to enhance the ability of Erie County to manage emergency and disaster situations; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the authorization is hereby provided to the Division of Budget and Management to establish funding in the Grant Fund 281, as follows:

Erie County Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Services  
Grant Fund 281, Fund Center 1670030  
August 1, 2018 – August 31, 2020  
HS167TECHRESCUE1720

Revenue Increase	
Account 414000 - Federal Revenue	\$150,000
Appropriation	Increase
Account 561410 – Equipment (Lab & Tech)	\$106,500
Account 516020 – Professional Contracts & Fees	13,500
Account 505200 – Clothing Supplies	30,000

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Director of Budget and Management is hereby authorized to adjust items of appropriations and revenues which may be impacted by changes to the grantor award, provided there are no changes to county share amounts; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be sent to the County Executive's Office, the Division of Budget and Management, the Department of Personnel, the Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Services c/o Melissa Calhoun, the County Comptroller, and the County Attorney.  
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8. COMM. 16E-26 (2018)  
**COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

WHEREAS, the Erie County Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Services is responsible for providing public safety through comprehensive emergency management planning, preparedness, training, response and coordination of emergency services resources in Erie County during actual or potential disaster events; and

WHEREAS, the US Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency with administration of the funds through New York State Office of Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Services has agreed to provide funding in the amount of \$1,407,426 in Federal assistance to continue the implementation of a program to enhance the ability of Erie County to manage emergency and disaster situations; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Services requires legislative approval to accept the funds and to establish a grant budget in Fund 281; and

WHEREAS, no County funds will be necessary for Erie County to accept these funds to serve individuals residing in Erie County; and

WHEREAS, authorization is required from the Erie County Legislature for the County Executive to enter into contact and accept \$1,407,426 in Federal resources to provide funding for personnel and the purchase of necessary equipment to enhance the ability of Erie County to manage emergency and disaster situations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature does hereby authorize the County Executive to accept US Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency with administration of the funds through New York State Office of Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Services to receive \$1,407,426 in grant funding for the Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Services; and be it further

RESOLVED, that authorization is hereby provided to transfer currently budgeted positions with existing Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Services Homeland Security grants to SHSP Fiscal Year 2018 as required to maintain public safety services to Erie County residents; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this grant, under the Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Services, will meet the goals and objectives; and be it further

RESOLVED, these funds will be utilized to enhance the ability of Erie County to manage emergency and disaster situations; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the authorization is hereby provided to the Division of Budget and Management to establish funding in the Grant Fund 281, as follows:

Erie County Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Services  
Grant Fund 281, Fund Center 1670030  
September 1, 2018 – August 31, 2021  
HS167SHSP1821

Revenue Increase	
Account 414000 - Federal Revenue	\$1,407,426
Appropriation	Increase
Account 500000 – Full Time - Salaries	\$332,985
Account 500010 – Part Time – Wages	\$25,000
Account 502000 – Fringe Benefits	\$237,402
Account 505200 – Clothing Supplies	\$4,000
Account 505800 – Medical & Health Supplies	\$12,000
Account 510100 – Out of Area Travel	\$10,000
Account 510200 – Training & Education	\$6,000
Account 515000 – Utilities	\$130,000
Account 516020 – Professional Services Contracts	\$3,250
Account 516030 – Maintenance Contracts	\$454,789
Account 561410 – Lab & Technical Equipment	\$112,000
Account 561440 – Motor Vehicles	\$45,000
Account 912400 – ID Mental Health Services	\$35,000

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Director of Budget and Management is hereby authorized to adjust items of appropriations and revenues which may be impacted by changes to the grantor award, provided there are no changes to county share amounts; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be sent to the County Executive's Office, the Division of Budget and Management, the Department of Personnel, the Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Services c/o Melissa Calhoun, the County Comptroller, and the County Attorney.  
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9. COMM. 16E-27 (2018)  
**COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

WHEREAS, the Erie County Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Services is responsible for providing public safety through comprehensive emergency management planning, preparedness, training, response and coordination of emergency services resources in Erie County during actual or potential disaster events; and

WHEREAS, the US Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency with administration of the funds through New York State Office of Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Services has agreed to provide funding in the amount of \$50,000 in Federal assistance to continue the implementation of a program to enhance the ability of Erie County to manage emergency and disaster situations; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Services requires legislative approval to accept the funds and to establish a grant budget in Fund 281; and

WHEREAS, no County funds will be necessary for Erie County to accept these funds to serve individuals residing in Erie County; and

WHEREAS, authorization is required from the Erie County Legislature for the County Executive to enter into contact and accept \$50,000 in Federal resources to provide funding for the purchase of necessary equipment to enhance the ability of Erie County to manage emergency and disaster situations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature does hereby authorize the County Executive to accept US Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency with administration of the funds through New York State Office of Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Services to receive \$50,000 in grant funding for the Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Services; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this grant, under the Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Services, will meet the goals and objectives; and be it further

RESOLVED, these funds will be utilized to enhance the ability of Erie County to manage emergency and disaster situations; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the authorization is hereby provided to the Division of Budget and Management to establish funding in the Grant Fund 281, as follows:

Erie County Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Services

Grant Fund 281, Fund Center 1670030  
August 1, 2018 – August 31, 2020  
HS167CIGP1720

Revenue Increase	
Account 414000 - Federal Revenue	\$50,000
Appropriation	Increase
Account 561410 – Equipment (Lab & Tech)	\$50,000

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Director of Budget and Management is hereby authorized to adjust items of appropriations and revenues which may be impacted by changes to the grantor award, provided there are no changes to county share amounts; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be sent to the County Executive's Office, the Division of Budget and Management, the Department of Personnel, the Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Services c/o Melissa Calhoun, the County Comptroller, and the County Attorney.  
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10. COMM. 16E-31 (2018)  
**SHERIFF**  
WHEREAS, the Erie County Sheriff’s Office SWAT and Bomb Team are highly trained tactical groups and have, through extensive training work together in a tactical response unit; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to maintain the units status as highly trained and effective tactical response units, the specialized training offered by Global Assets will allow both the SWAT and Bomb Units to be trained and prepared for multiple scenarios; and

WHEREAS, the funds used for this training originate from the NYSDHSES grant which this Honorable Body accepted by passing COMM. 1E-18 (2017); and

WHEREAS, Global Assets is a recognized and approved vendor by the NYSDHSES for specialized training in Stress ReFlex Indicators & Behavioral Pattern Indicators (SRI-BPI) Course; and

WHEREAS, there will be no impact on County tax dollars.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Sheriff’s Office and the County Executive are hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Global Assets for specialized training in the amount of \$24,950 and utilized accepted FY2016 NYSDHSES grant funding; and be it further

RESOLVED, that all payments will be paid from budget G/L account 510200 – Training and Education; and be it further

RESOLVED, the Erie County Comptroller’s Office is hereby authorized to release the designated funds and make payments as necessary; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Legislature send certified copies the County Executive Office, the Division of Budget and Management, the County Attorney, the Office of the Comptroller, and the Office of the Sheriff for implementation.  
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**APRIL N.M. BASKIN**  
**CHAIR**