



# OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF CAYUGA COUNTY NEW YORK

**Brian P. Schenck**  
*Sheriff*

*Respect ~ Integrity ~ Dedication ~ Community*

**Stuart W. Peenstra**  
*Undersheriff*

## COMMUNITY COLLABORATIVE ADVISEMENT COMMITTEE

April 22, 2023, 8:00am

Public Safety Building - Conference Room

### Members present:

Sheriff Brian Schenck  
Bryan Bush  
Kathleen Aguilar  
Joshua Czyz  
Corporal Ben Laderer  
William Berry  
Legislator Jim Basile

### Not in attendance:

Shari Weiss  
Deputy Brian Kelly  
Legislator Brian Muldrow  
Travis Poole

### 1. Open discussion/questions

Kathy asked about plans for schools in the county for shootings.

The sheriff responded that there is currently both training going on in schools and simulation training. He talked about the Threat Assessment Team and explained that it is a platform to discuss threats and address concerns that come up. There have also been meetings with school superintendents in the county.

He also talked about DHS CISA. They will come to municipalities to do assessments and develop plans to make schools safer. They offer a video on active shooter training.

There is a program in Monroe County where committee members get together and round table to discuss ways to prevent violence and possible threats. The Sheriff would like to use that as a model to create similar.

### 2. Structure and Membership of this committee

- There are currently 11 members and at creation, the committee was to have between 9 and 13 members. After discussion, it was decided that the maximum number of members will be increased to 15.

What areas need to be represented on committee?

Some suggestions:

- (a) Department of Social Services
- (b) Mental Health field
- (c) City of Auburn government
- (d) South end of Cayuga County

Members were asked to consider the suggestions and submit names of potential members for the next meeting.

Adding wording in membership rules as to a procedure for either asking a member to step down or be removed.

- The Sheriff asked if someone else would like to head the meetings or at least share in that. Josh offered to help in that capacity.

3. How to share this committee's work with the public. A few ideas were offered.

- Perhaps a contributing article in the Citizen newspaper, quarterly.
- Adding a new tab on the Sheriff Office's website specifically for the committee and updating it regularly.
- Flyers or handouts that could be included with events that the sheriff's office participates in.
- Discussion on taking pictures of members and having bios.
- Give community members a "public to be heard" spot at meetings.

4. Community event to introduce Undersheriff and this committed to the community.

A few locations were discussed: Falcon Park, Emerson Park.

Next meeting: **JUNE 3, 2023, at 8:00am**

- Suggestions for new members
- Time frame and venue for event
- Take pictures for bios (or provide one)
- Discuss other community events that the committee could participate in