



OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF CAYUGA COUNTY NEW YORK

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Sheriff

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COMMUNITY COLLABORATIVE ADVISEMENT COMMITTEE June 3, 2023, 8:00am Public Safety Building - Conference Room

Members present:

Sheriff Brian Schenck
Bryan Bush
Kathleen Aguilar
Joshua Czyz
William Berry
Deputy Brian Kelly

Not in attendance:

Shari Weiss
Legislator Jim Basile
Legislator Brian Muldrow
Travis Poole
Corporal Ben Laderer

- Sheriff's Office Updates

1. Webpage – there is a tab on the Sheriff's Office website for this committee's information.
2. Working on a letter to the Editor to get some information about the committee out to the public.
3. Body worn cameras have been rolled out.
4. Jail Population is up. There is an increase in repetitive returns for petty crimes as well as an increase in domestic crimes and mental health issues.
5. Working with Offender Watch on an app that will provide information on sex offenders. There is a new tab on the Sheriff's Office site for this also.
6. Still a lot of scams are going on with the elderly and people in general. Trying to get brochures out there and other ways to increase awareness of the problem.
7. Recruiting is still an issue for positions within the Sheriff's Office and Jail.
8. iPads – have been issued to Road Patrol and have been used successfully on a few incidents. Kathy asked if there are therapists who are bi-lingual. The Sheriff would have to check into that.
9. Threat Assessment Team – Department of Homeland Security offers threat assessment in schools, and one was just recently done for Union Springs schools.

- Members Updates and Discussion

1. Bryan Bush followed up on working with getting more interaction in schools. He and Randy Smith connected with some groups with the assistance of a local health teacher. They had general discussions where kids did start to feel comfortable with opening up about their struggles.

The Sheriff stated that schools are really where we need to concentrate and Deputy Kelly noted the importance of making that connection at the youngest level such as elementary schools.

2. Bill reminded that they have a community event coming up on June 7, 2023, at the Carriage House Theater. Still discussing how to get people together to spear head conversations. He and Dr. Burgess are bringing some local agencies together to discuss issues that may be common.
 3. Kathy spoke about the increase in migrant youth being placed in school. Many of them came to this country to work but once they are detected, they are put into school, where they do not want to be, causing difficulties.
 4. The Sheriff said that he would like to share the Committee's minutes with the County Legislature.
- Pictures were taken of some members, others will be providing pictures, and it was asked that they send some sort of bio on themselves so that the information can go on the website.
 - Next meeting **August 19, 2023, 8:00am**
 1. Continue to plan a community event.
 2. Suggestions for new members.