



# Police/Sheriff & Court Services

*Yates County & Penn Yan Shared Services Study*

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# Agenda: Facts About “What Exists” & Options CGR Identified

- Village data – clerk/treasurer, payroll, police & court
- County data - sheriff, court, treasurer, maintenance, real property
- Other data – NYS, census
- 30 interviews – committee members, Village police staff, engineer, code enforcement; County sheriff staff, district attorney, court security, court clerks, buildings & grounds, and others outside County
- Contacted 10 Finger Lakes police departments
- Village Police Department inventory

# Report Process: CGR Worked with Study Steering Committee

- County Legislator Bob Nielsen (chair)
- County Legislator Donna Alexander
- County Administrator Sarah Purdy
- Sheriff Ron Spike
- Police Chief Gene Mitchell
- Village Trustee Bob Church
- Judge Patrick Falvey
- Village Justice Danny Hibbard

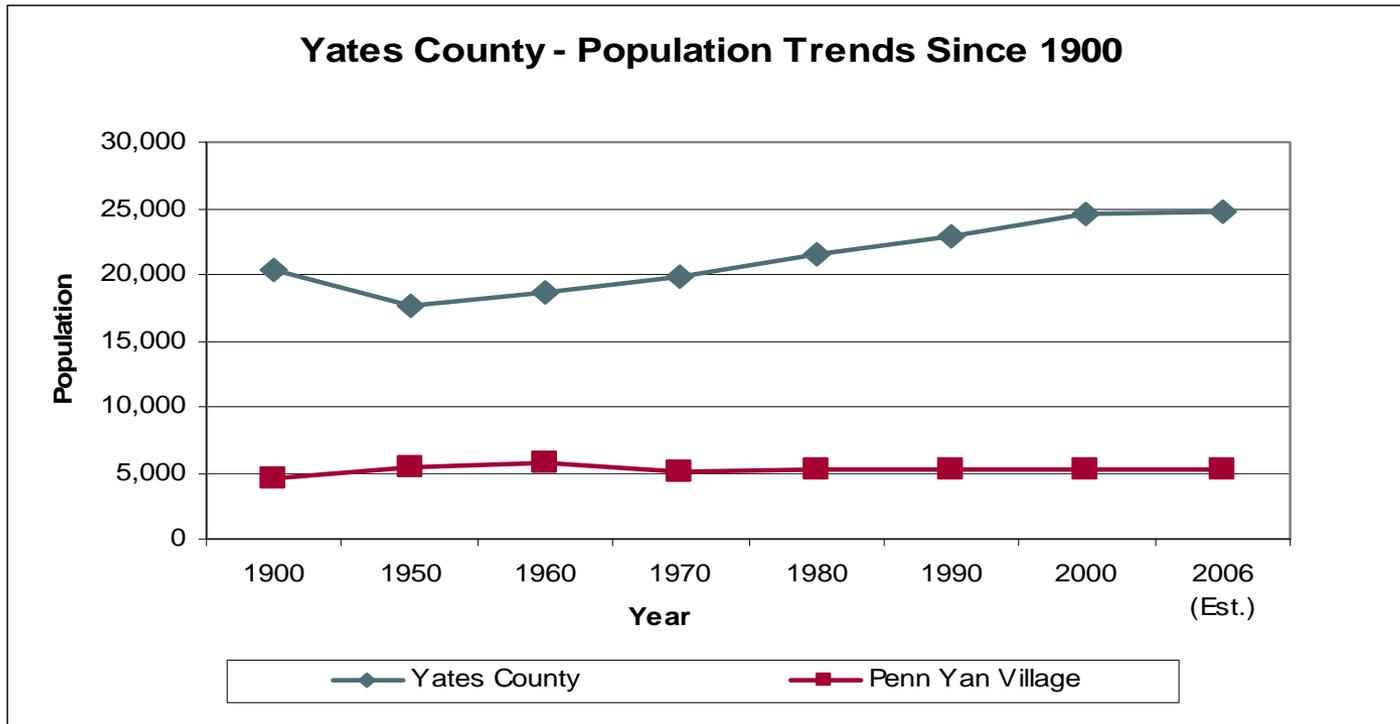
# Report Components

- Provide context for the communities
- Overview Village budget and tax information
- Overview Courts - “What Exists” & Options
- Overview Village Police & Sheriff - “What Exists” & Options
- Identify preferred alternatives
- Identify action plans
- Answer questions

# Communities in Context

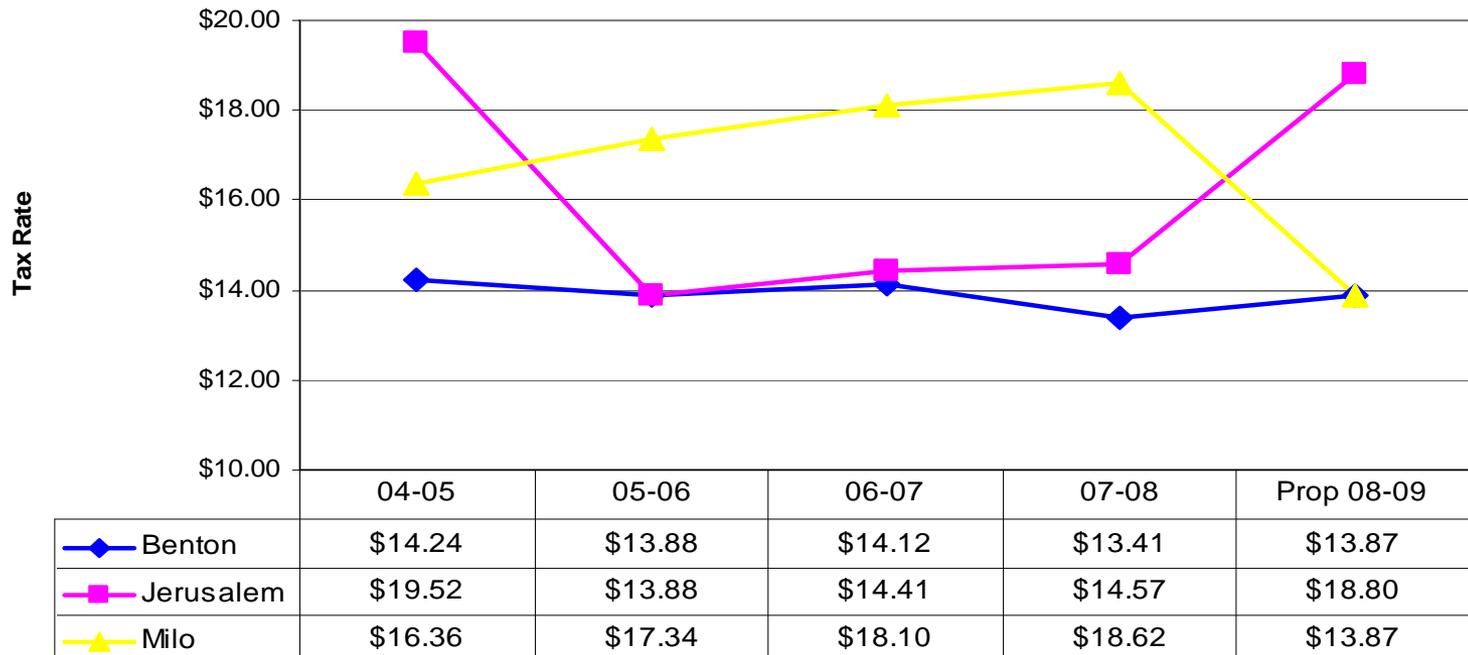
- Village is 2.51 square miles = <1% of County
- 2006 population, per Census estimates
  - Village: 5,200 - County: 24,700
- Village population as % of County population
  - 1900 = 23%
  - 1960 = 31%
  - 1980 = 24%
  - 2006 = 21%
- In summer, “seasonal population” is higher
- 3 different Village tax rates, depending on the Town

# Context: Population Trends



# Context: Tax Rate Trends for the Village

**Tax Rates--Village of Penn Yan  
(Per \$1000 of Taxable Assessed Valuation)**



# Sharing Services: Why it Matters to the Village of Penn Yan

- Among all Village tax rates in NYS in 2005-06, Benton and Jerusalem tax rates were near the top third while the Milo tax rate was in the top third.

Tax Rates--Village of Penn Yan							
(Per \$1000 of Taxable Assessed Valuation)						State Rank*	
Township	04-05	05-06	06-07	07-08	Prop 08-09	2005-06	Percentile
Benton	\$14.24	<b>\$13.88</b>	\$14.12	\$13.41	\$13.87	413	60th
Jerusalem	\$19.52	<b>\$13.88</b>	\$14.41	\$14.57	\$18.80	413	60th
Milo	\$16.36	<b>\$17.34</b>	\$18.10	\$18.62	\$13.87	454	70th

\*Out of 634 Village tax rates in NYS (Only 554 Villages)

Median Tax Rate for all Village tax rates in NYS in 2006 was 10.24/1000.

# Village Tax Saving Estimate Guideline (based on '07-'08)

- Assuming no changes to taxable assessed values in the 3 towns in the Village, **for every tax levy change of \$10,000** CGR calculates the impact would be:
  - Milo: \$0.078 per \$1,000 equalized taxable valuation
  - Benton: \$0.056 per \$1,000 equalized taxable valuation
  - Jerusalem: \$0.061 per \$1,000 equalized taxable valuation

# Courts

## Key Issues Raised

- Various sites have been proposed over time
  - Maxwell Building – existing site
  - Basin Street building – is being sold by Village
  - Village Hall basement
  - County Courthouse
- Main Street Village Court site is unacceptable and there are security issues
- Are there options for coordinating Village and County Court services?

# Village Court Activity - Based on 2005-2007 Average

- Average # of cases started annually = 1,396
- 62% of cases (862) = Vehicle & Traffic Law offenses
- 24% of cases (328) = Penal Law offenses (e.g., violations of probation, welfare fraud)
- 5% of cases (73) = Civil Fees
- 3% of cases (46) = Village Ordinance issues
- <3% of cases (36) = Alcohol & Beverage Control
- 3% = all other
- Average # of defendants in these cases = 1,064

# What Happens to Funds Raised Through Village Court Activity?

- Total revenues, in 2007, per OSC = \$139,312
- Village kept \$60,606, including funds related to:
  - local ordinances
  - parking violations
  - penal law offenses involving the Village
  - Vehicle & Traffic Law, Section 1100-1200 (except that NYS gets 100% for speeding and reckless driving offenses, and County gets 100% for DWI)

# What Happens to Remaining Village Court Revenues?

- State's portion in 2007 = \$60,255, involving:
  - Funds for all other Vehicle & Traffic Law offenses; 50% of surcharges for handicapped parking violations; other surcharges
- County '07 portion sent via NYS = \$18,452
  - Primarily for DWI offenses + 50% of surcharges for handicapped parking violations
  - DWI-related funds are typically received as lump sum and considered STOP DWI funds

# What Does the County Do with STOP DWI Funds?

- Annually dispenses funds (e.g., District Attorney, Probation, Counseling and Rehabilitation, Sheriff, Public Defender)
- Dispenses some funds directly to Penn Yan Police
  - 2007 = \$2,128
  - 2006 = \$2,150
  - 2005 = \$2,079

# Village Court – Additional Information About Revenues

- In 2007, Village of Penn Yan ranked 393 out of 1,252 Town & Village Courts in NYS relative to money raised in court
- Avg. annual revenues, 2005-2007 = \$136,873
  - Village portion, on average, \$60,726/yr
  - County portion, on average, \$17,523/yr
  - State portion, on average, \$58,624/yr

# Village Court – Additional Information

## Revenues

- For past 3 years, about 95% of dollars collected were related to vehicle/traffic & penal laws
- Certain % of the fines now retained by the Village as a result of these offenses, would go to the Towns if Village Court did not exist

## Expenses

- Total budgeted for Village Court costs in 2007-08 (excluding police security) = \$39,050

# Village Court Staff – All Are Part-time

- Village justice works estimated 12 hours weekly
  - Monday night courts
  - Wednesday night, alternate weeks – hearings/trials
  - Arraignments – various times day/night
- Court clerk works 12-18 hours weekly
- Civil claims clerk works 6 hours weekly
- Police security hours are additional

# County Courthouse Original Cost & Debt Service

- Original cost = \$10.9 million (+ interest = \$15.5 m)
- First payments were made in 2003
- Final payment is in 2020
- NYS does reimburse County for a portion of the interest on the debt schedule (about 33%)
- Building is 73,400 sq. feet – 89% court uses, 11% is for County operations (e.g., DA, Probation)
- Court also uses 3% of County Office Building for Surrogate Court records

# County Courthouse Security – Provided by Yates County Sheriff

- Security by 1 Sergeant & 6 officers (2 ft, 4 pt)
- On-site for courthouse and remote security COB (go to COB for checks several times a day)
- Cameras in control room: 51 courthouse; 16 COB
- Intercoms: 60-65 intercoms for two buildings
- Control room computer operates courthouse door
- Minimum 3 security officers on duty when court is open (control room, screening, courtroom)
- Hourly rate FT officers about \$20/hr; PT about \$13/hr

# County Courthouse Security Costs

- In general, NYS reimburses for daytime security personnel costs (County pays some limited costs, for example, for grand jury, security training)
- Security equipment for court, state reimburses 100%
- Security equipment for building, reimbursement is 89%
- 2007 total = \$283,597; County paid \$50,711
  - County had some one-time expenses during year
- 2006 total = \$234,973; County paid \$5,581
- 2005 total = \$221,819; County paid \$6,270

# County Courthouse Maintenance & Costs

- In general, County is responsible for 11% of maintenance costs, rest reimbursed by NYS, except utilities & updates to voice mail/phone system
  - County utility costs for electric also cover Buildings & Grounds building, which is fed from courthouse
- NYS also reimburses 3% for COB – records area
- 2007 total = \$119,900; County paid \$37,009
- 2006 total = \$122,925; County paid \$48,991
- 2005 total = \$163,719; County paid \$94,882

# County Courthouse Insurance Cost

- Insurance costs for county buildings are bundled
- Estimated County Courthouse costs are \$9,444
  - For Buildings and Contents (related to fire)
  - Does not include liability insurance
- Note: Some County offices in the building that are not part of the court are also covered (e.g., County Attorney, Public Defender, District Attorney, Probation offices)

# Summary: Costs for the County Courthouse in 2007

	<b>Cost</b>	<b>County Paid</b>	<b>NYS Paid</b>
<b>Debt Principal</b>	\$541,705	\$541,705	\$0
<b>Debt Interest</b>	\$363,942	\$242,205	\$121,737
<b>Security</b>	\$283,597	\$50,711	\$232,886
<b>Maintenance</b>	\$119,900	\$37,009	\$82,891
<b>Insurance</b>	\$9,444	\$9,444	\$0
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$1,318,588	\$881,074	\$437,514

Insurance does not include liability

# 6 Village Court Options to Discuss

1. Status quo – court remains in Maxwell Building
2. Eliminate Village Court and have 3 towns handle – this option is beyond the scope of this grant
3. Warsaw model
4. Trials at County Courthouse, all other court operations at the Village Hall
5. Move entire Village Court operation to Village Hall basement
6. Move entire Village Court operation to County Courthouse

# Option #3: Warsaw Model

## Model Used by Village of Warsaw in Wyoming County (Town of Warsaw has same approach)

- Village Court daily operations are held in Warsaw Village Hall
- Warsaw Village Court is held in Wyoming County Courthouse
- Arraignments done & fines paid at the Warsaw Village Hall

## Option #4: Trials at County Courthouse; All Other at Village Hall

- Village Court justice & staff have offices at Village Hall
- Arraignments done & fines paid at Village Hall
- Court sessions (Monday nights) and hearings (Wednesday nights) held at Village Hall
- Village Court trials held at Yates County Courthouse (approximately 6 held per year)

# Option #5: Move Entire Village Court Operation to Village Hall Basement

## Cost Estimate

- Capital costs:
  - Ranges from “minimal” to \$12,000, after factoring in state grants -- total will depend upon how much work can be done in-house
- Ongoing annual costs:
  - Security – range is \$16,000 (2 officers Village PT rate) to \$25,000 - \$30,000 (FT officers)

# Option #5: Move Entire Village Court to Village Hall Basement (cont.)

- **Sources of Funding**

- Capital – Village + state grants + donations of Court furniture, security equipment and judge's bench from County
- Ongoing – Village taxpayers

- **Responsible Entity**

- Village

- **Timeframe**

- 1-2 months after go-ahead decision (requires renovating portion of Village Hall basement)

# Option #6: Move Entire Village Court Operation to County Courthouse

## Cost Estimate

- Capital costs: none identified – assumes Village justice/staff share office space with hearing examiner
- Ongoing annual costs:
  - Security = \$28,000 to \$31,000 annually
  - Maintenance (e.g., snowplowing, cleaning) TBD. Utility cost would be minimal.
  - Telephone and IT costs additional TBD.

## Option #6: Move Entire Village Court to County Courthouse (cont.)

- **Sources of Funding**

- Ongoing costs – Village reimburses County for agreed costs (e.g., security, maintenance, utility, telephone, IT). Village covers cost of items that are broken, damaged or tampered with.

- **Responsible Entity**

- County and Village cooperate to complete move

- **Timeframe** – 1-2 months after go-ahead decision

# Police

## Key Issues Raised

- Cost of Police Department for the Village
- Should Village have a Police Department?
- Are there options for the County Sheriff to assist the Village Police Department to achieve efficiencies (coordinated police option)?

# Police: Impact on Village Budget

- Total police costs have increased in recent years:
  - 2003-04                      \$ 908,600
  - 2005-06                      \$1,058,000
  - 2007-08                      \$1,249,205 (approved)
- 2007-08 Village budget is \$3,535,000
- '07-08 revenue to offset costs = \$50,250 (SRO, fees)
- Thus, net cost of police in 2007-08 = \$1,198,750 – net police costs account for 34% of budget costs
- Police personnel and benefits = 92% of total

# Revenues Associated with the Penn Yan Police - 2007-08

- Court revenues in excess of costs = \$27,184 (actual)
- Stop DWI funds - \$2,128 (actual)
- Police fees - \$250 (budgeted)
- School district reimbursement for school resource officer - \$50,000 (budgeted)
- In addition, department awarded two state grants (majority of funds still to be received):
  - \$1,866 - Buckle Up NY program
  - \$5,661 (including \$1,995 for radar equipment) - Selective Traffic Enforcement Program

# Police Budget Components

	2007-08 Budget		2006-07 Actual	
<b>Salaries</b>	\$720,000	58%	\$594,937	52%
<b>OT</b>	\$25,000	2%	\$43,210	4%
<b>Other Personnel</b>	\$64,200	5%	\$89,553	8%
<b>Benefits</b>	\$337,755	27%	\$313,526	27%
<b>Equipment</b>	\$23,000	2%	\$20,656	2%
<b>Other</b>	\$79,250	6%	\$80,529	7%
<b>Total Police Budget</b>	\$1,249,205		\$1,142,411	

# Village Does Have Funds in Reserve for Police Who Retire

## Village Fund Reserves for Police as of 5-31-07

- Unused vacation time: \$ 34,252
  - Unused sick time: \$312,326
  - Unused comp time: \$ 20,100
  - Other: \$ 281
- Total***                    **\$366,959**

Payouts to individuals are made following retirement (payout options depend on length of service and total due individual)

# Police: Village FT Sworn Patrol & Investigator Staffing

- Total: 13 allotted strength
  - 1 Chief
  - 4 Sergeants (1 retires by fall)
  - 1 Investigator
  - 7 Officers (1 is School Resource Officer)
- Current status
  - 1 recruit (completes basic in June)
  - Vacant position: investigator

# Small Police Departments in Finger Lakes Area

Police Dept	Village Pop. (2006 est)	Sworn FT	Investigator on Staff?
Brockport Vg	8,129	11	No
Geneseo Vg	7,809	8	PT, but left recently. Replace TBD
Seneca Falls Vg	6,800	14	FT investigator (civil service)
East Rochester Vg	6,277	8	No
Medina Vg	6,191	11	FT investigator (appt'd by chief)
Bath Vg	5,545	12	2 FT (civil service)
Fairport Vg	5,496	10	No
<b>Penn Yan Vg</b>	<b>5,213</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>Position currently vacant</b>
Dansville Vg	4,605	8	No
Le Roy Vg	4,254	8	FT detective
Lyons Vg	3,500	10	No

Sources: NY State DCJS, U.S. census, CGR interviews

# Sheriff FT Law Enforcement Bureau – Sworn Staff

- Total: 24 allotted strength
  - 1 Lieutenant
  - 5 Sergeants (1 assigned Civil, 1 retires May)
  - 4 Criminal Investigators (1 assigned DSS cases, 1 to substance abuse cases)
  - 12 Deputies (1 retires June)
  - 1 Youth Officer
  - 1 School Resource Officer (assigned Dundee School)

# Sheriff FT Law Enforcement Bureau (Sworn) – Current Status

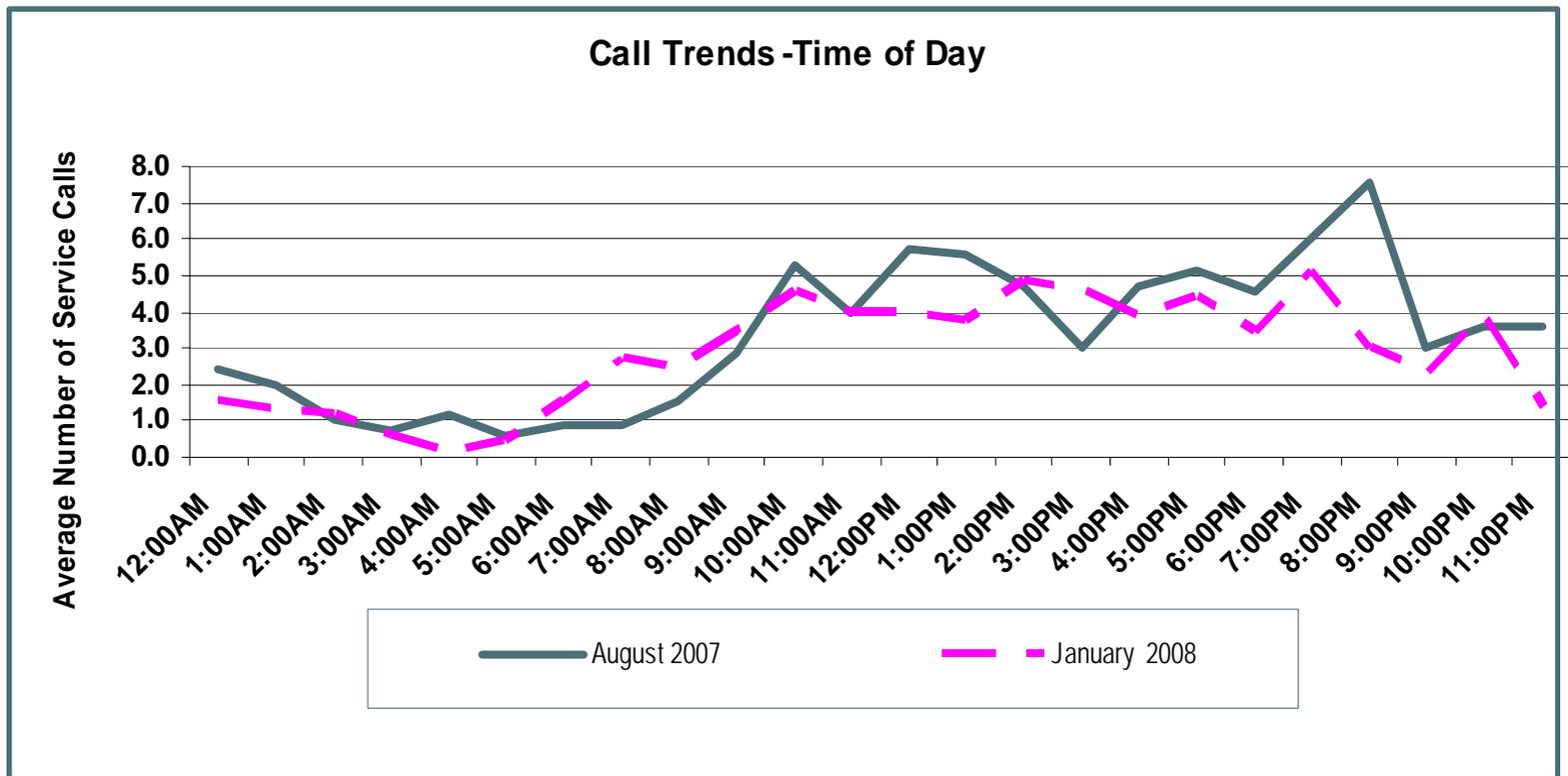
- 1 Deputy – deployed military
- 4 Recruits – now in basic training (ends June); then in field training until September
- Vacant positions
  - 1 Investigator
  - 1 Youth Officer
  - 1 Deputy

# Village Police Calls – by Time of Day (Aug. '07 & Jan. '08)

- Highest time period for calls for service
  - August: 10 a.m. – 9 p.m.
  - January: 10 a.m. – 8 p.m.
- Slowest hours for calls (*2 or less per hour*)
  - August: 1 a.m. – 8 a.m.
  - January 11 p.m. – 6 a.m.

# Village Police Calls – Time of Day

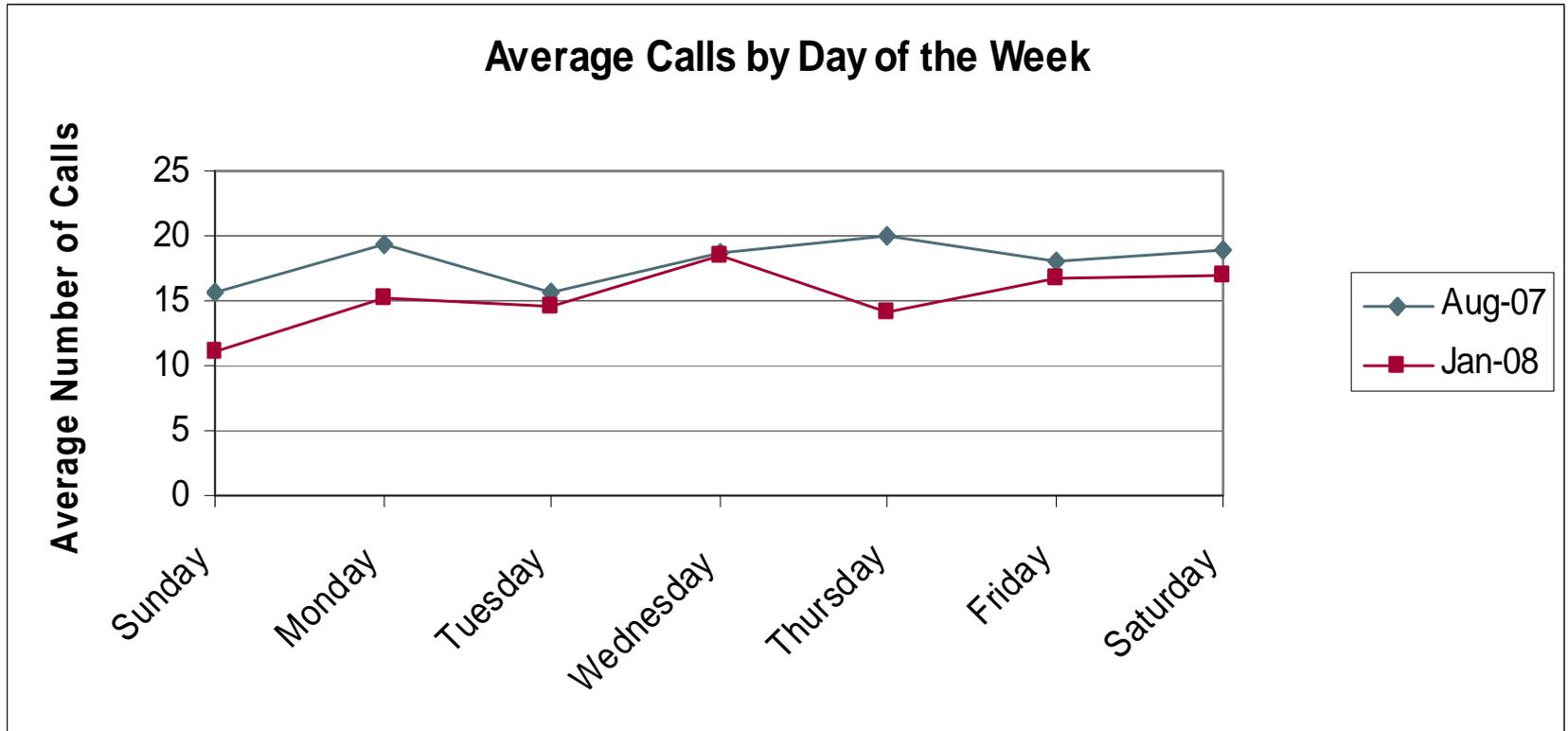
## – 1 am - 6 am is Slowest Overall



# Village Police Calls – by Day of Week (Aug. '07 & Jan. '08)

- Range in August = 16-20 calls per 24 hrs.
- Range in January = 12-19 calls per 24 hrs.
- Peak days for calls for service – based on average for day
  - August – Thurs. (20); Mon. & Wed. (19) & Fri. (18)
  - January – Wed. (19), Fri. & Sat. (17)
- Slowest days for calls for service
  - August – Tues. & Sunday (16 each day)
  - January – Tues.(14); Sunday (12)

# Village Calls for Service – Range from 12 to 20 per 24-Hour Day



# Police Calls for Service & Staffing

- CGR did detailed analysis of calls/staffing for January 2008, including any hours worked within the two predominant shift times:
  - 6 p.m. – 6 a.m. (“night shift”)
  - 6 a.m. – 6 p.m. (“day shift”)
- Note: chief’s time (8 a.m. – 4 p.m.) included in day shift analysis; and officer in from 4 p.m. – 2 a.m. on Wed.- Sat. counted as night shift

# Police Calls for Service & Staffing – Key Findings Jan. '08

- Day shift: average calls during 12 hours = 10  
(with 2 officers on every day plus Chief M-F)
- Night shift: average calls during 12 hours = 5  
(with 2 officers plus a 3<sup>rd</sup> for Wed – Sat nights)
- Saturday is the only night of the week where the night shift has more calls than the day shift
  - Otherwise, night shift calls are 35% - 63% of day shift

# Police Average Calls/Shift/Day of Week – January 2008

	6am-6pm		6pm-6am		night shift calls as a percentage of day shift calls
	# of calls	on duty*	# of calls	on duty**	
Sundays	8	2	4	2	47%
Mondays	11	3	4	2	36%
Tuesdays	9	3	5	2	59%
Wednesdays	14	3	5	3	35%
Thursdays	10	3	4	3	42%
Fridays	10	3	7	3	63%
Saturdays	8	2	9	3	119%

\*includes 8-4 shift

\*\*includes 4-2am shift

# Police: Top 7 Types of Calls for Service for Month of January '08

	6am-6pm	6pm-6am
Miscellaneous calls	39	8
Vehicle assistance (lockouts, disabled)	23	13
Fight / argument/disorderly/crim. mischief		
Village ordinance/civil prob/juv complaint	20	17
Harrassment/assault/sex offense	20	16
Lost and found property	22	7
Arraignment/subpoena/warrant/statements	22	5
MVA / prop damage, hit&run, pers. injury	17	5

Based on Police record keeping; does not include 21 calls referred by County Sheriff where the disposition of call was not recorded by Penn Yan Police Dept.

# Police – What's Summer Impact on Calls for Service/Staffing?

CGR analysis of August 2007 data shows:

- Staffing was the same as in January, on average, except for having 1 more officer during the day Mondays and 1 more for nights on Fridays
- Day shift – Sundays calls, on average, are same summer & winter; other days = 1-3 call difference from January
- Night shift – Calls for every night of week (except Thursday) increase by 0-4 calls over January levels. Thursday calls average 10 in summer, 4 in winter.
- Overall, in summer, day shift calls are equal to or higher than night shift each day, except for Saturday nights

# Police Average Calls/Shift/Day of Week – August 2007

	6am-6pm		6pm-6am	
	Average # of calls	on duty*	Average # of calls	on duty**
Sundays	8	2	8	2
Mondays	12	4	7	2
Tuesdays	11	3	5	2
Wednesdays	11	3	8	3
Thursdays	10	3	10	3
Fridays	10	3	8	4
Saturdays	7	2	12	3
*w/8-4 Chief		**includes 4pm-2am and 6pm-4am shifts		

# Key Police '07 Calendar Year Services – Per Data/Interviews

- Assist residents - vehicle lockouts (350)
- Misdemeanor arrests (306)
- Violations/traffic arrests (270)
- Felony arrests (43)
- Mental health arrests (21)
- Criminal (696) & MVA investigations (238)
  - Drug & DWI prevention/investigations (often work closely with Sheriff)

# Village Police Services (2)

- Village court security Monday nights (sometimes for court session, sometimes staff only check-in)
- Enforce overnight parking ban (2am – 6am) year-round downtown; Nov. to May residential area (250 total tickets)
- Other parking tickets (150)
- Traffic tickets (667) – (aren't part of calls/service)
- Funeral detail (typically 1/wk)

# Village Police Services (3)

- Maintain 2-3 contact numbers per business, and try to check every business door at night (83 open doors)
- Check water and sewer plant (once daily)
- “Dark house checks” – details entered in book, typically 4-6 at a time (as part of daytime duties, as available)
- Serve appearance tickets for code enforcement officer
- Monitor school area at start and end of school day

# Village Police Services (4)

- Village police provides school resource officer locally (75% wages/benefits reimbursed by district)
- Usually travel every street 1-2 times per shift
- Dog complaints – typically 2 a week
- Parades/events (traffic control/participation) – 9/yr
- Check out complaints about soliciting
- Check on 13 bar/restaurants at key night hours
- Aware of five 24-hour places that may become problem areas

# Police Services the Sheriff Does Not Routinely Provide

- Lockouts
- Funeral detail (except rarely for traffic reasons)
- Parking (rarely, typically for handicapped issue)
- Dog complaints (3-5 month officer is needed)
- Soliciting complaints
- Code enforcement assistance (only 1-2 times yrly)
- Very few parking tickets

# Similarities Between Police & Sheriff's Departments

- Use same 911 emergency dispatch system (operated by County)
- On same radio frequency
- Use same call-for-service software (PD Manager)

# Differences – Police and Sheriff (1)

## Training

- Police: 8 hrs/year minimum annually (firearms, taser); first aid and CPR only 2-3 staff are current; no one trained on defibrillators (do not have defibrillators)
  - In 2007, Chief estimates specialized training meant average officer had 16 hours total training
- Sheriff: 21 hrs. minimum annually per person, with some training going on most Wednesdays; all trained in first aid/CPR/defibrillators (all cars to have)

# Differences – Police and Sheriff (2)

## Technology

- Police: computers in cars (MDTs) are not upgraded, only used for vehicle registration check; have recently put call data in database
- Sheriff: has vehicle locator system; upgraded MDTs; mobile data for computerized traffic ticket reporting (TRacS); all policies/procedures/forms are electronic; and operate website for agency

# Differences – Police and Sheriff (3)

## Accreditation

- Sheriff's law enforcement bureau is an accredited agency through NYS Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS)
- Penn Yan police department has not sought this accreditation

# Differences Police and Sheriff (4)

**Patrol staff** (excludes Police Chief & Sheriff's lieutenant & investigators)

- Police: days, typically 2; nights 2-3
- Sheriff: 2-3 days and evenings

**Response time within Village – current model**

- Police in Village – 2-3 minutes in emergency (but no data to verify actual response time)
- Sheriff – 2 to 20 minutes, depending on location of cars (but no data analysis to confirm)

# What is Provided to Village PD by County

- 911 Emergency Call Taking/Dispatching
- Non-emergency Call Taking/Dispatch – nights, all hours weekends
- Inmates held at pre-arraignment detention lockup (34 in 2007)
- Assistance with investigations
- Monroe County Crime Lab PYPD Use (including DWI blood kits)

# What is Provided to Village PD by County (cont.)

- Critical incident debriefing
- Undercover drug investigation equipment, including wires and vehicles
- Breath test operators by correction officers at jail
- Vehicle impoundment yard
- Speed radar trailer

# 5 Police Options to Discuss

1. Status quo
2. County handle investigations for Village
  - Saving \$87,000 (salary + benefits) if the Village does not fill this vacant position
  - Impact on the Sheriff's office of not having an investigator at the Village is unknown, thus whether to fill vacant investigator position (salary/benefits range from \$77,000 - \$91,000) would have to be determined

## 5 Police Options to Discuss (cont.)

3. Have the County provide coverage on slowest days for service (Sunday, Tuesday)
4. Have the County provide coverage for slowest times of day (1 a.m. – 6 a.m.)

## 5 Police Options to Discuss (cont.)

5. Consolidate with the Sheriff's Department
  - Alternative #1 Village contracts with Sheriff & pays County for specified level of law enforcement
  - Alternative #2: Village PD is dissolved & Sheriff is responsible for law enforcement in the Village.

Either alternative requires vote. If approved by Village voters, Yates would be unique in NYS as the only county without at least one local police department in addition to the Sheriff.

# Consolidation Alternative #1- Similar to Town of Clay Model

- Consolidation Alternative #1 could be similar to Town of Clay model to be presented to be voters June 23, 2008
- Key features of Town of Clay model:
  - Sheriff to provide two patrol cars 24/7 in the town
  - Town to pay County cost of salaries for personnel who move. Commissioner, PT civilian staff do not move.
  - Personnel move at current rank

# Other Features of Town of Clay Model

- Town pays differential between Sheriff and town employee costs until the employees making the move retire from Sheriff's Dept.
- Cost of vehicles/cost to equip personnel – and what town has in existing equipment – is factored into the deal. For Yates, estimated fully equipped car costs typically in the range of \$32,000 to \$37,000 if everything in car is new. To equip a deputy = \$4,400.
- Sheriff to operate out of current town space; town to maintain space.

# What Are the Cost Savings with Alternative #1?

## *This is Consolidation Alternative #1*

- Exclude Chief, investigator, secretary, 1 officer position
- 4 Sergeants & 6 officers move current rank & years/service to Sheriff's Dept.
- Sheriff provides 2 cars, cover all shifts for the Village
- Village taxpayers save \$400,000 in personnel and benefits costs
- Remaining \$800,000 for law enforcement service at this level is paid by Village taxpayers
- Staffing study would be needed – Sheriff's Dept.

# Alternative #1: Impact on Milo Taxpayers in the Village

- With estimated overall savings of \$400,000 per year from Village budget (based on 2007-08 budget)
  - Tax savings for Milo taxpayers living in the Village, based on 2007-08 budget and tax rate:
    - $\$.078$  ( per \$10,000 savings) x 40  
( $\$400,000/\$10,000$ ) x 100 (assume a home taxed at \$100,000 assessment) = \$312/year (rounded)
    - Put another way: for every \$1,000 assessed value, Milo taxpayer living in Village saves \$3.12/year

# Alt. #1: Impact on Benton Taxpayers Living in the Village

- With estimated overall savings of \$400,000 per year from Village budget (based on 2007-08 budget)
  - Tax savings for Benton taxpayers living in the Village, based on 2007-08 budget and tax rate:
    - \$.056 ( per \$10,000 savings) x 40  
(\$400,000/\$10,000) x 100 (assume a home taxed at \$100,000 assessment) = \$224/year (rounded)
    - Put another way, for every \$1,000 of assessed value, a Benton taxpayer living in the Village saves \$2.24/year

# Alt. #1: Impact on Jerusalem Taxpayers Living in the Village

- With estimated overall savings of \$400,000 per year from Village budget (based on 2007-08 budget)
  - Tax savings for Jerusalem taxpayers living in the Village, based on 2007-08 budget and tax rate:
    - \$.061 (per \$10,000 savings) x 40  
(\$400,000/\$10,000) x 100 (assume a home taxed at \$100,000 assessment) = \$244/year (rounded)
    - Put another way, for every \$1,000 of assessed value, a Jerusalem taxpayer living in the Village saves \$2.44/year

# Key Features & Impact of Consolidation Alternative #2

- Village voters need to vote to dissolve PYPD
- If approved, Sheriff would pick up law enforcement responsibility & determine coverage for Village
- Village taxpayers would save \$1.2 million budgeted cost
- Taxpayers in Village would save as follows:
  - Milo taxpayer: \$9.36 per \$1,000 of assessed value
  - Benton taxpayer: \$6.72 per \$1,000 of assess value
  - Jerusalem taxpayer: \$7.32 per \$1,000 of assessed value
- \$800,000 cost to provide law enforcement in Village would shift to County taxpayers

# What Does Alternative #2 Mean for County Taxpayers?

**With \$800,000 of costs shifted to County taxpayers:**

- For a home taxed at \$100,000 assessment - tax increases would range from \$41 to \$56 a year based on 2008 taxes.
- Alternatives #1 & #2 raise space issues for Sheriff

With Village Police		
Town	New Rate	Increase from 2008
BARRINGTON	\$8.10	\$0.49
BENTON	\$6.86	\$0.41
ITALY	\$7.05	\$0.41
JERUSALEM	\$9.22	\$0.56
MIDDLESEX	\$6.86	\$0.41
MILO	\$6.87	\$0.41
POTTER	\$6.90	\$0.41
STARKEY	\$8.15	\$0.49
TORREY	\$6.87	\$0.41

# Summary of Police Option #5: Both Alternatives

## Cost Estimate

- Current Village Cost = \$1.2 million/year
- Cost if Sheriff provides coverage = \$800,000/yr
  - Plus, potential 1- time capital cost for Sheriff space
- Savings to Village taxpayers = \$400,000/year

# Summary of Police Option #5: Both Alternatives (cont.)

## Sources of Funding

- Alternative #1: Village contracts for dedicated service and pays \$800,000 to County
- Alternative #2: Sheriff absorbs cost of providing service in the Village. All County taxpayers pay the \$800,000 cost.
  - Thus, some burden for costs shifts from Village taxpayers to County taxpayers.

# Summary of Police Option #5: Both Alternatives (cont.)

- **Responsible Entities**

- Village holds referendum (Alternative #1 or #2)
- If dissolution approved, Village would develop shared services agreement with Sheriff (Alternative #1)
- Sheriff responsible for hiring new staff (#1 or #2)
- Sheriff & County address space issues (#1 or #2)

- **Timeframe**

- 1-2 years depending on when vote is scheduled

# Next Steps

After today's 2 public input meetings:

- Presentation to be posted on website
- Public to provide feedback to CGR & Steering Committee
  - Comment sheets offer ways to respond or
  - Visit <http://live.cgr.org/yates>
- Committee to finalize report with CGR