

Village of Rossville  
Police, Health & Safety Committee Meeting  
February 17, 2025  
6:15 p.m.

A quorum was established as Chairman Black and Trustees Wallace and Jones were physically present at the committee meeting held at the Rossville Municipal Building, located at 120 East Attica Street in Rossville, Illinois. Trustee Cornell was absent. Trustee Gammon was present electronically. Mayor Queen appointed Trustee Jones as a member of the PHS committee. The guests present were Mayor Queen, Clerk White and Chief Greene.

Chairman Black called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m. The purpose of the meeting was to review/approve past minutes, review outstanding ordinance violations, prior month police actions, monthly ordinance spreadsheet, review maintenance log sheets on police vehicles, camera grant, signage for bus loading zone/No Parking (Benton St.) for Circle Academy, discuss ordering a new police vehicle for FY2026 and Open Topics.

Minutes of the January 9, 2025 committee meeting – Minutes of the meeting held on January 9, 2025 were presented. Trustee Black asked Chief Greene if she is certified as a Taser 10 trainer. Chief Greene is not certified yet. Motion was made by Black, seconded by Jones to dispense with the reading of the minutes approve the minutes as presented. Vote: Wallace, yes; Black, yes; Jones, yes.

Police Activities and the Ordinance spreadsheet were reviewed. There were no maintenance issues this month.

Chief Greene stated the “Ticket” system is going all digital. Some of the Village ordinances have not been downloaded into the new system so the number of tickets issued has been reduced. Some of the wording on the tickets has been changed so new tickets will need to be ordered. Chief Greene requested permission to order a new police vehicle to arrive next fiscal year. The vehicle is a black 2023 Dodge Charger with a patrol package. The vehicles would cost approximately \$48,000 (after removing the push bumper) including lettering and the necessary equipment installed. Chief Greene requested permission to purchase the new computer, printer and radar unit (approximately \$8,000-\$9,000) to be installed in the new vehicle now. Once approved and received, Chief Greene will take the computer, radar and printer to John Jones Police Pursuit Vehicles, who will install the equipment, so the vehicle will be ready for pickup. Chief Greene has money in this year’s budget to purchase the items that need to be installed in the new vehicle. The vehicle has no miles on it plus it will have a factory warranty with 36,000-mile warranty then a 60,000-mile warranty on the drivetrain. Chief Greene proposed keeping the Ford Explorer and designate the Explorer for the SRO at the grade school to use. Chief Greene stated vehicle prices have increased significantly.

Trustee Gammon is working on the correct forms for the camera grant. Clerk White suggested increasing the annual contribution amount to the sinking fund to allow for the purchase of a new vehicle.

Chief Greene reported that SRO Damilano requested to attend an SRO 3-day conference to be held in Bloomington, Illinois. Both (BHRA and RAGS) SROs can attend the conference for \$1500. The SROs will attend ALICE training in June. Trustee Black asked if the schools (BHRA & RAGS) would reimburse the Village for the cost of the conference. Chief Greene will ask and bring answers to the Committee at the next meeting. The Village would pay time and meals. Chief Greene attached a list of classes that officers will be attending over the next few months. The classes are free. The Village pays for the officers’ time. Chief Greene signed Officer McMilleon for a Firearms Training Class. Certifying Officer McMilleon as a Firearms Trainer would make the Police Department self-sufficient. Officers would take a police vehicle to the

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classes. Trustee Gammon suggested tabling the matter of sending Officer McMilleon to Firearms Training Class. No other committee member objected to Officer McMilleon taking the Firearms Instructor class. Motion was made by Black, seconded by Jones to approve the training classes for officers as presented. Vote: Black, yes; Jones, yes; Wallace, yes. Trustee Black heard Hoopeston was building a firing range. Chief Greene had asked HPD about RPD using their range to qualify. An intergovernmental agreement would need to be prepared but Chief Greene has not received a copy of a proposed intergovernmental agreement.

Trustee Gammon submitted the camera grant application, which is due April 1<sup>st</sup>. Trustee Gammon expects to hear something in May, June or July if the Village has received a grant.

A request was received from Circle Academy for a “Bus Loading, No Parking” sign. Circle Academy would pay for the sign if one could be installed at the Bus Loading Area on Benton Street. Chief Greene was unaware of the problem of people parking in the “Loading Zone”. Trustee Black will forward Chief Greene a copy of the email request if she will follow-up with Circle Academy.

Open Topics – There were no Open Topics to discuss.

Motion was made by Jones, seconded by Wallace to adjourn the meeting. Vote: Jones, yes. Wallace, yes; Black, yes. The meeting was adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris White, Village Clerk

Committee approved: 3/17/2025