

Village of Rossville
Police, Health & Safety Committee Meeting
October 20, 2025
6:30 p.m.

A quorum was established as Chairman Wallace and Trustees Mikel and Gammon were physically present at the committee meeting held at the Rossville Municipal Building, located at 120 East Attica Street in Rossville, Illinois. The guests present were Mayor Black, Clerk White, Trustee Layden, Trustee Ault, Chief Greene, Village Attorney Anthony Schuering (on the phone) and Kenneth Gammon.

Chairman Wallace called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The purpose of the meeting was to review/approve past minutes, review outstanding ordinance violations, the prior month's police actions, monthly ordinance spreadsheet, review maintenance log sheets on police vehicles, property at 214 E. Attica follow up, Chief Greene to explain the new sirens/quote for police cars, K-9 training course and Rifle training course, look into changing the police schedule for better coverage, policy and procedures for calling in for a shift and Chief training.

Minutes of the September 15th committee meeting – Minutes of the meeting held on September 15, 2025, were presented. Motion was made by Gammon, seconded by Wallace to dispense with the reading of the minutes and approve the minutes as presented. Vote: Mikel, yes; Gammon, yes; Wallace, yes.

Chief Greene's read her report. Trustee Gammon questioned Chief Greene about the batteries purchased at Blue's Automotive for the cars. Chief Greene stated the batteries purchased at Blue's Automotive have a 5-year warranty. Trustee Gammon questioned why a vehicle was taken to Blue's Automotive instead of Smitty's for a blown fuse. Chief Greene stated Smitty's does not do electrical work. Evidently, a surge protector for the car caused an issue. A new surge protector was installed and now has a warranty.

Old Business –

Property at 214 E. Attica -advice from new attorney – Mayor Black stated Superintendent Lusk needs to put up new signs on the property declaring dangerous building and start procedure over.

New sirens for squads – Chief Greene explained the sirens have after shock speakers that have a low frequency. Officers have been in emergency situations where people do not hear the sirens or see their lights and don't pull over so officers can safely pass them. The low frequency would send vibrations through their vehicles to let them know an officer needs to pass by. Chief Greene clarified the quote as 1 speaker on 1 vehicle would cost an estimated \$659, 2 speakers on each vehicle would cost \$855. The low-frequency speaker system would be used in the Durango and Charger. SRO vehicles would not need them. Chief Greene stated the low frequency system is not needed but would be nice and help officers pass safely. If approved, the system would be installed by Blue's Automotive. Trustee Gammon asked for a quote for the installation.

K-9 Training – Chief Greene stated a K-9 is not a need, just presented information for the committee. A beginning cost would be approximately \$18,000. Other costs would include vehicle adaptations, living arrangements for the K-9 and would the officer and K-9 be available at a minute's notice. Chief Greene was asked if an officer left employment with the Village, what would it cost to train another officer. Chief Greene will find out. Chief Greene stated the Explorer would be the vehicle to use since it has a hatch and temperature control system. Chief Greene explained the K-9 cannot be taken to a house only used for mobiles. Mayor Black stated there must be less expensive ways to get "druggies" and the supply chain out of town.

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Rifle Training – Trustee Gammon asked who approved Officer McMilleon to attend the Rifle Training since the committee tabled the matter last month. Mayor Black approved the training since the class was the following week. Officer McMilleon can now train our officers and can qualify them annually.

New Business –

Police Schedule – Chairman Wallace spoke with Chief Greene about the schedule. Chief Greene explained there would be more overlap if officers were scheduled a different way. Trustee Gammon suggested Chief Greene work 5 days a week, 8 hours a day so Mondays would be covered. Other officers work 10-hour shifts. Chief Greene makes her appointments on Mondays so she doesn't miss more work.

Calling in for a Shift – Chief Greene stated the Police Policies and Procedures, that was Board approved, allows for notification 1 hour prior to shift beginning for "Call ins".

Chief Training – Police Chief are required 20 hours of training related to law enforcement, management or executive development, or ethics each calendar year. Chief Greene needs to complete this type of training prior to December 31, 2025. Chief Greene presented a "Breach Point Leadership, Leadership for Reducing Organizational Stress in Law Enforcement" class at ILEAS Training Center in Urbana from 8-4 daily. The tuition is free. The training mandates are Crisis Intervention (1 hr), Human Rights (1 hr), Officer Wellness/Mental Health (6 hrs.) and Procedural Justice (3 Hrs.).

Chief Greene reported the Rossville Police Department was approved for Toys for Tots again this year.

Chief Greene reported that all 3 officers were involved with one stop that resulted in confiscation of drugs and a handgun.

Motion was made by Wallace, seconded by Gammon to adjourn the meeting. Vote: Wallace, yes; Mikel, yes; Gammon, yes. The meeting was adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris White, Village Clerk

Committee approved 11-17-25