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THE PUBLIC CAN PARTICIPATE THROUGH THE ZOOM CLOUD MEETING APPLICATION AND CLICKING ON THE FOLLOWING LINK:

Join URL: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4478727673>

Meeting ID: 447 872 7673

We ask the public to mute their phone or mic until Public Participation
If you have any questions, please contact Matt Trout at mtrout@freeburg.com
Village Hall will be open to the public for this meeting

November 14, 2025

NOTICE MEETING OF PERSONNEL & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE (Personnel/Police/ESDA/Fire) (Meehling/Blaies/Matchett/Miller)

A Personnel and Public Safety Committee Meeting of the Village of Freeburg will be held at the Municipal Center, Executive Board Room, **Monday, November 17, 2025, at 6:30 p.m.**

PERSONNEL AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING POLICE COMMITTEE

- A. Old Business
- B. New Business
 - 1. Chief Report

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

- A. Old Business
 - 1. Approval of October 29, 2025 Minutes
 - 2. Crew Worker Position
 - 3. Public Works Director Position – Executive Session to Discuss Personnel, 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)1
- B. New Business
- C. General Concerns
- D. Public Participation
- E. Adjourn

At said Personnel Meeting, the Village Trustees may vote on whether or not to hold an Executive Session to discuss the selection of a person to fill a public office [5 ILCS, 120/2 – (c) (3)], litigation [5 ILCS, 120/2 – (c)(11)] personnel [5 ILCS, 120/2 – (c)(1)]; real estate transactions [5 ILCS, 120/2 - (c)(5)], collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives [5 ILCS 120/2 (C)(2) or discussion of executive session minutes, 5 ILCS, 120/2-(c)(21)]

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PERSONNEL AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING (Meehling/Blaies/Matchett/Miller) Wednesday, October 29, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

Trustee Lisa Meehling called the meeting of the Personnel and Public Safety Committee to order on Wednesday, October 29, 2025 at 6:04 p.m. Those present were Chairperson Lisa Meehling, Trustee Mike Blaies, Trustee Ray Matchett, Trustee Dana Miller, Mayor Seth Speiser (absent), Village Clerk Jerry Menard (absent), Trustee Tom Carpenter, Trustee Bob Kaiser, Village Attorney Fred Keck, Police Chief Mike Schutzenhofer, Public Works Director John Tolan, Village Engineer Tim Pruett, Village Administrator Matt Trout and Office Manager Mary Downen. Guest present: Janet Baechle. There were no guests present via Zoom.

POLICE:

A. OLD BUSINESS: Chief Mike Schutzenhofer gave an update on the K9 enclosure. He said the dog house and fence are up. Still waiting on the electric. So far, everything has been donated.

B. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Chief Report: Chief Mike Schutzenhofer summarized the 142 calls since the last meeting. He was contacted by Millstadt Police Department asking if we could assist with a K9 demonstration at St. James. Officer Hunter Borger did the demonstration today and it went very well. He said he has an upcoming meeting with St. Joe's staff on security for their church. Chairperson Lisa Meehling asked if we have done anything with our schools regarding K9 demonstrations. Village Administrator Matt Trout responded that Officer Borger said there is one scheduled at the grade school.

PERSONNEL:

A. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Approval of September 24, 2025 Minutes: Trustee Dana Miller motioned to approve the September 24, 2025 Minutes, and Trustee Mike Blaies seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.

B. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Employee Christmas Bonus: Matt said this is the list we always do, \$100 for full-time and \$50 for part-time.

Trustee Dana Miller motioned to send to the full Board the Employee Christmas Bonus, full-time employees receive \$100 and part-time employees receive \$50, and Trustee Ray Matchett seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.

Matt said Tony McDonald is planning to retire, probably around the end of the year. We need to start the process for hiring. We will need to post in house for 5 days and then post outside. Trustee Mike Blaies made a motion to approve posting for the street worker position, and Trustee Dana Miller seconded. All voting yea, the motion carried.

C. GENERAL CONCERNS: None.

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- D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** Janet asked about increasing the employee Christmas bonus.
- E. ADJOURN:** *Trustee Dana Miller motioned to adjourn at 6:12 p.m., and Trustee Ray Matchett seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.*



Mary Downen
Office Manager

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DEPARTMENT OF POLICE**

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FORD EXPLORER	Car #89	2017	Newport/14
FORD EXPLORER	Car #90	2018	Chief /01
FORD EXPLORER	Car #91	2021	Inv. Ruhmann/03
FORD EXPLORER	Car #92	2016	Howes/07
FORD EXPLORER	Car #93	2023	Boeving/09
FORD EXPLORER	Car #94	2021	Stroud/10
FORD EXPLORER	Car #95	2023	Dumstorff/08
FORD EXPLORER	Car #96	2023	Simburger/04
FORD EXPLORER	Car #97	2015 K-9	Borger/15
FORD EXPLORER	Car #99	2017	Perrine/05
FORD EXPLORER	Car #98	2023	Borkowski/06

**CASEY'S/MOTO
FREEBURG TOWING**

Month: October, 2025

CAR#	ON MILEAGE	OFF MILEAGE	TOTAL MILES	GALLONS	M.P.G.	\$ AMT
89	94327	95676	1349	107.86	12.51	\$ 347.09
90	88787	90133	1346	85.52	15.74	\$ 271.00
91	37832	38374	780	51.22	15.23	\$ 169.00
92	99275	100045	770	58.86	13.08	\$ 180.11
93	27302	28532	1,230	89.12	13.80	\$ 289.01
94	33105	33396	291	46.92	6.20	\$ 153.00
95	28098	29110	1012	88.908	11.38	\$ 280.77
96	14010	14154	144	10.90	13.21	\$ 36.00
97	141035	142085	1,050	113.18	9.28	\$ 368.56
98	19730	20742	1,012	79.65	12.71	\$ 254.13
99	95740	96533	793	64.99	12.20	\$ 205.00
					AVG. MPG	
	XXX	XXX	9,777			\$2,553.67

Laura Gavin