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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

March 23, 2026

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, **Wednesday, March 25, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.**

PERSONNEL AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING POLICE COMMITTEE

- A. Old Business
- B. New Business
 - 1. Chief Report
 - 2. Older Deerfield Park Federal Siren Repair

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

- A. Old Business
 - 1. Approval of February 25, 2026 Minutes
- B. New Business
 - 1. Possible Executive Session to Discuss Collective Negotiating Matters between the Public Body and its Employees or their Representatives, 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)5
- 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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FORD EXPLORER	Car #89	2017	Newport/14
FORD EXPLORER	Car #90	2018	Chief /01
FORD EXPLORER	Car #91	2021	Boeving/09
FORD EXPLORER	Car #92	2016	Hassel/16
FORD EXPLORER	Car #93	2023	Howes/07
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

**MOTO MART
FREEBURG TOWING**

Month: February, 2026

CAR#	ON MILEAGE	OFF MILEAGE	TOTAL MILES	GALLONS	M.P.G.	\$ AMT
89	97940	98669	729	61.663	11.82	\$ 182.46
90	92776	93562	786	51.522	15.26	\$ 153.00
91	40862	40951	1198	81.626	14.676	\$ 242.04
92	102243	103411	1168	82.791	14.11	\$ 245.47
93	31380	32080	700	60.264	11.62	\$ 179.01
94	34622	34741	119	31.09	3.83	\$ 92.00
95	32306	33376	1070	70.88	15.10	\$ 209.73
96	17212	17371	159	22.61	7.03	\$ 67.00
97	145279	146054	775	85.63	9.05	\$ 254.04
98	24100	25401	1,301	107.47	12.11	\$ 318.00
99	98984	99769	785	66.91	11.73	\$ 198.00
					AVG. MPG	
	XXX	XXX	8,790			\$2,140.75

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PERSONNEL AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING (Meehling/Blaies/Matchett/Miller) Wednesday, February 25, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

Trustee Lisa Meehling called the meeting of the Personnel and Public Safety Committee to order on Wednesday, February 25, 2026 at 6:46 p.m. Those present were Chairperson Lisa Meehling, Trustee Mike Blaies, Trustee Ray Matchett (absent), Trustee Dana Miller, Mayor Seth Speiser (via Zoom), Village Clerk Jerry Menard, Trustee Tom Carpenter, Trustee Bob Kaiser, Village Attorney Fred Keck, Police Chief Mike Schutzenhofer (via Zoom), Public Works Director Chris Remick (absent), Village Engineer Tim Pruett, Village Administrator Matt Trout (via Zoom) and Office Manager Mary Downen. Guest present: None. There were no guests present via Zoom.

POLICE:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Patrol Hire: Chairperson Lisa Meehling said we have an opening with Sergeant Stan Ruhmann's retirement and we did interview this past week.

Trustee Mike Blaies motioned to amend the agenda to move public participation up, and Dana Miller seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION 6:49 P.M.

Trustee Dana Miller motioned to enter Executive Session to discuss Personnel, 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)1, and Trustee Mike Blaies seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ENDED 7:03 P.M.

Chairperson Lisa Meehling reconvened the regular session of the Personnel and Public Safety Committee Meeting 7:03 p.m.

Chief Mike Schutzenhofer said that all the electrical work on the K9 kennel has been completed.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Chief Report: Chief Schutzenhofer summarized the 100 calls since the last meeting.

PERSONNEL:

A. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Approval of January 28, 2026 Minutes: *Trustee Mike Blaies motioned to approve the January 26, 2025 Minutes, and Trustee Dana Miller seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.*

B. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Joel Boeving's request to carry over 76 hours of vacation:

Trustee Dana Miller motioned to send to the full Board Joel Boeving's request to carry over 76 hours of vacation, and Trustee Mike Blaies seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.

2. Executive Session to Discuss Personnel, 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)1: See above under Police Old Business.
3. Executive Session to Discuss Collective Negotiating Matters between the Public Body and its Employees or their Representatives, 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)5:

EXECUTIVE SESSION

7:07 P.M.

Trustee Mike Blaies motioned to enter Executive Session to discuss Collective Negotiating Matters between the Public Body and its Employees or their Representatives, 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)5, and Trustee Dana Miller seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ENDED

8:12 P.M.

Chairperson Lisa Meehling reconvened the regular session of the Personnel and Public Safety Committee Meeting 8:12 p.m.

C. GENERAL CONCERNS: None.

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

E. ADJOURN: Trustee Mike Blaies motioned to adjourn at 8:12 p.m., and Trustee Dana Miller seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.



Mary Downen
Office Manager