



**Village of Bourbonnais  
POLICE COMMITTEE MINUTES**

November 10, 2015

Trustee Greenlee held a police committee meeting on November 10, 2015 at 3:30 p.m.

**1. ROLL CALL**

Present at the police committee meeting was Village President Shore, Trustee Amiano, Trustee Greenlee, Trustee Fischer, Trustee King, Trustee Keast, and Trustee Littrell. Also present was Village Treasurer Riebe, Finance Director Wolf, Chief Phelps, and Village Attorney Dunn.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion made by Trustee Keast and seconded by Trustee Amiano to approve the committee meeting minutes from July 15, 2015. Motion passed on a voice vote of 6-0.

**3. VILAGE ORDINANCES CITATIONS vs. STATE CITATIONS**

Chief Phelps "Chief" provided information to the trustees to introduce the idea of utilizing the Village's existing ordinances citations instead of issuing state citations for minor traffic offenses. Chief stated this would reduce overtime for the village including avoiding the officers going to court sometimes 2-3 times per ticket. Mayor stated his concern about the officers not writing traffic tickets because the cases are getting dismissed in court. Chief stated some of the positives include less overtime, less mileage on vehicles, ordinances actually getting paid instead of being dismissed and a potential revenue generator for the village. Chief states that he feels that this would increase productivity. Mayor stated the extra money would go into the general fund. Chief stated some of the cons may be more people at adjudication and citizens protesting the ordinances. Mayor asked what kind of tickets would be issued for ordinance violations. Chief stated there are only a handful of tickets including but not limited to failing to reduce speed, following too closely, improper lane usage, etc. Chief stated that certain tickets including but not limited to DUI's, no insurance, and suspended licenses would have to go to the circuit court. Chief gave statistics on the number of tickets issues and which ones would be ordinance violations. Village Attorney Dunn and Chief are researching other departments. Chief stated the officers would print the ordinances from the computers in their patrol cars. Mayor stated his concern about

citizens obtaining ordinance violations and attending adjudication here at the Village. Trustee King asked how adjudication works. Mayor explained the adjudication process. Village Attorney Dunn stated heresy is admissible at administrative hearings, but not in state courts. Village Attorney Dunn also stated administrative hearings are heard on the preponderance of evidence. Trustee Keast asked about offenders with multiple incidents. Chief stated for example if there was a DUI stop, all tickets would go to the state. The officers would not split up the tickets into state and ordinance violations. Village Attorney Dunn stated that in the event a citizen has multiple ordinance violations than it would be the officer's discretion whether the offender is issued another ordinance violation or state ticket. Mayor asked about how many officers will go to adjudication. Chief stated that he can only remember one police officer who had to appear for past adjudications. Village Attorney Dunn stated police officers do not have to appear because the preponderance of evidence on face value.

#### 4. OTHER

Chief invited everyone to attend the event on November 24<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 at the Bourbonnais Fire Protection District to recognize life savers Officer Garcia, Officer Boudreau and Telecommunicator Hennessey. All three individuals were involved in an accident in August where CPR was administered and saved the life of a teenager. Telecommunicator Hennessey walked the teenager's father through CPR over the phone. Chief already presented awards, however the fire department and St. Mary's would also like to honor the lifesavers and fire department first responders.

Chief stated Olivet returned the evaluations on all the supervisory staff members of the police department. Chief shall provide copies to the trustees.

Chief asked the committee about the Christmas party. Mayor stated the village will hire County to man the streets, so the police department can attend the village's holiday party on December 5, 2015. Committee approved for finance.

Chief asked if he can purchase a tazor with the extended warranty. Chief explained how the tazor works better than other measures in some situations. Committee approved for finance. Village Attorney Dunn stated the Dunn family will donate \$3,000.00 for two more tazors.

Chief stated drug activity has been reported on Belmont. KMEG started an investigation and in fact it was true. Chief stated the police department is working on finding the offenders a new place to live.

Chief gave an update on the bomb threat at BBCHS. Chief stated two girls are in custody. Everyone worked well together and the outcome was successful.

Chief advised the committee that we did not obtain the federal grant for the upgraded dispatch equipment.

Chief stated that a projector was donated, so he would like to use it for roll call training system. Chief requested a pull down projector screen and table. Committee approved for finance.

Chief stated that the camera server in the squads crashed. Duratech shall provide a quote for an updated camera server and software.

Chief asked about replacing Officer Garcia with another officer or the promotion of an officer to sergeant to reduce overtime. Committee stated there has not been any more discussion since the last discussion. Chief stated the supervisors are earning extra overtime. Chief recommends promoting an officer to sergeant to prevent more overtime. Mayor asked if the committee needed any more information to address this issue. Mayor asked Chief to provide additional information regarding the costs for the promotion along with all costs and documentation for all of the foregoing requested items.

5. **NEW BUSINESS**

None

6. **OLD BUSINESS**

None

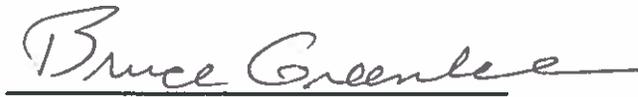
7. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

8. **ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion was made by Trustee Keast and seconded by Trustee King to adjourn the regular board meeting. Motion passed on a voice vote of 5-0 and the meeting adjourned at 5:14 p.m.

***Respectfully Submitted by:***



***Trustee Bruce Greenlee,  
Chair of Police Committee***

Committee Meeting: Police

Date: 11-10-15 @ 3:30pm

Name	Signature
Mayor Paul Schore	
Vera Amiano	
Bruce Greenlee	
Rick Fischer	
Randy King	
Jeff Keast	
Jack Littrell	
Ron Riebe	
Mike Wolf	
Pat Dunn	
Chief Phelps	
Laurie Wimberly	
Mike Chamness	
Victoria Senesac	
Dave Tyson	