

Village of Hoffman Estates

PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

January 26, 2026

1. Roll Call

Members in Attendance:

**Karen Mills, Chairperson
Gary Pilafas, Vice Chairman
Anna Newell, Trustee
Gary Stanton, Trustee
Karen Arnet, Trustee
Patrick Kinnane, Trustee
Mayor William D. McLeod**

Management Team Members in Attendance:

**Eric Palm, Village Manager
Dan O'Malley, Deputy Village Manager
Jon Pape, Assistant Village Manager
Art Janura, Corp. Counsel
Jana Dickson, Asst. Corporation Counsel
Kasia Cawley, Chief of Police
Alan Wax, Fire Chief
Rachel Musiala, Finance Director
Joe Nebel, Public Works Director
Audra Marks, Assistant HHS Director
Darek Raszka, Director of IT
Ben Gibbs, GM, NOW Arena
Ric Signorella, Multimedia Prod. Manager**

The Special Public Health & Safety Committee meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF MUNUTES

Motion by Trustee Stanton, seconded by Trustee Arnet, to approve the Public Health & Safety Committee minutes from December 15, 2025. Voice vote taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Trustee Arnet, seconded by Trustee Stanton, to approve the Special Public Health & Safety Committee minutes from January 5, 2026. Voice vote taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Kristin Barton (3731 Winding Trail Lane) inquired about the Village's response to President Trump's latest request for local municipalities to assist ICE.

Mayor McLeod indicated that Hoffman Estates Police follow the Illinois Trust Act, and do not enforce or assist with civil federal immigration law and cannot interfere with federal immigration actions. He emphasized that residents are the department's top priority and that police will always respond to 911 calls to ensure public safety. Chief Cawley concurred with Mayor McLeod's comments.

4. **OLD BUSINESS**
5. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. Approval of a resolution authorizing the purchase of (2) 2026 Ford F-150 Responder vehicles from Friendly Ford, Roselle, IL in an amount of \$100,501.26.

An item summary sheet from Chief Kasia Cawley was presented to Committee.

Motion by Trustee Arnet, seconded by Trustee Pilafas, to authorize the purchase of (2) 2026 Ford F-150 Responder vehicles from Friendly Ford, Roselle, IL in an amount of \$100,501.26. Voice vote taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

A. Approval of a resolution authorizing the purchase of (3) 2026 Ford Explorer Interceptor Utility Vehicles from Friendly Ford, Roselle, IL in an amount of \$143,446.89.

An item summary sheet from Chief Kasia Cawley was presented to Committee.

Motion by Trustee Pilafas, seconded by Trustee Arnet, to authorize the purchase of (3) 2026 Ford Explorer Interceptor Utility Vehicles from Friendly Ford, Roselle, IL in an amount of \$143,446.89. Voice vote taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

6. REPORTS

A. Police Department Monthly Report

Chairperson Mills noted the thank you letters sent to the Department on behalf of Streamwood and Park Ridge for assistance received. The Police Department was honored at the Chamber's Celebration of Excellence as the "Best Public Service Organization".

The Police Department Monthly Report was received and filed.

B. Health and Human Services Department Monthly Report

The Health & Human Services Department Monthly Report was received and filed.

C. Emergency Management Division Monthly Report

The Emergency Management Division Monthly Report was received and filed.

D. Fire Department Monthly Report

Chief Wax mentioned the upcoming Citizen Fire Academy starting on the 1st Wednesday in March. Trustee Mills noted a thank you letter from Carpentersville.

The Fire Department Monthly Report was received and filed.

7. PRESIDENTS REPORT

- 8. ITEMS IN REVIEW**
- 9. OTHER**
- 10. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Trustee Arnet, seconded by Trustee Kinnane, to adjourn the meeting at 7:14 p.m. Voice vote taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

Minutes submitted by:

Jennifer Djordjevic, Director of Operations and
Outreach, Office of the Mayor & Board

Date