

**Public Health and Safety Committee Meeting
Monday, October 20, 2025
Red Bud City Hall
Council Chambers (2nd floor)**

Committee Members Present: Bill Hanebutt, Kyle Donjon, Curt Guebert, Bryce Parsons

Committee Members Absent: Patrick Mueller

Council Members Present: Jeremy DeMond, Alan Piel

Council Members Absent: Rodney Nevois

Others Present: Mayor Susan Harbaugh, City Attorney Rick Cooper, City Superintendent Josh Eckart, Police Chief John Brittingham, City Clerk Joanne Cowell, Finance Officer Liz Cowell

Others Absent: Code Admin./City Engineer Jeff Mueller, Admin. Officer Jill Landgraf

Committee Chairman Hanebutt called the meeting to order at 6:52 P.M.

Old Business
None

New Business

I. Approval of Prior Month's Meeting Minutes – September 15, 2025
Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Hanebutt, seconded by Committee Member Donjon, to approve the minutes from the September 15, 2025, meeting. Carried

II. Departmental Activity Report
The monthly activity report was included in the packet.

III. SRO (Discussion Only)
Chairman Hanebutt said they have been in discussions with the public schools regarding a School Resource Officer. The district is proposing putting a change of purpose of the 1% tax, on the April election, and will use a portion of the tax to fund an SRO. If this does not pass, the school is still committed to funding an SRO. The district is willing to pay 75% of the cost of the officer and related expenses. They are looking at a three-year contract. The officer would be full-time for the school year, which would allow for approximately 25% of the officer's time to be spent on regular police duties. The position would be posted according to personnel policies. The SRO will be under Chief Brittingham's supervision. All council members present were in favor of moving forward with this. Hanebutt said that negotiations

will continue with the school district, and any proposed agreement will be given to the city attorney for review, and be brought back to the committee.

IV. Public Comments/Anything for the Good of the City

None

The meeting was adjourned at 6:59 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joanne G. Cowell, City Clerk
Red Bud, Illinois