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# Sheriff's department still responsible for local calls.

Spending nearly \$14,000 a year to have a sheriff's deputy occasionally cruise through town may not be the best investment for the village of Brady.

Trustees decided at their regular monthly meeting on Jan. 13 that they want out of a three-year contract with the Lincoln County Sheriff's Department.

"We're spending an awful lot of money for not such good results," said village chairman Bill Gengenbach.

The contract, which expires Oct. 1, 2012, requires that the sheriff's department patrol within the village limits at least 50 hours per month.

No stipulation is made as to time of day or specific location.

"They cruise once through the streets and they're gone," Gengenbach said of the deputies, "and usually it's at odd hours of the day."

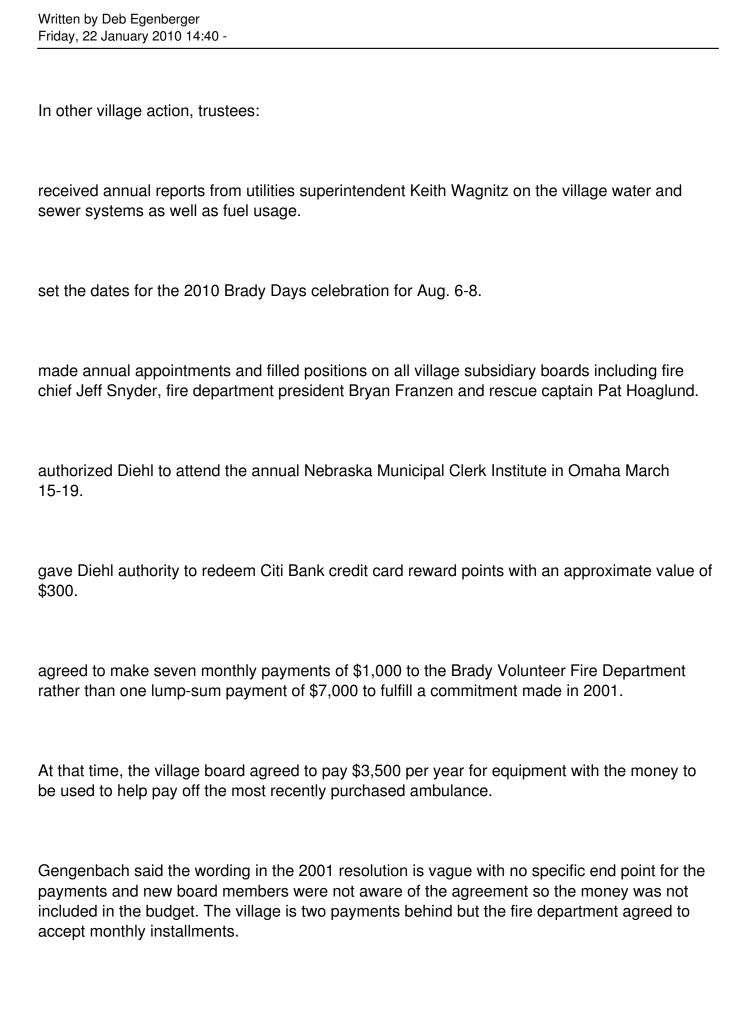
Trustees voted to notify the sheriff's department in writing that the village wishes to terminate the law enforcement contract.

That does not leave the residents of Brady without law enforcement services.

"Every resident of Lincoln County pays taxes to support law enforcement," said trustee Jeff Miller.



Trustees agreed the request is worth further investigation.



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received an annual report from the fire department. In 2009, BVFD had 31 rescue calls: 18 in the village, nine rural, two from the interstate and two mutual aid. There were nine total fire calls: none in the village with four rural calls, four on the interstate and one mutual aid.