

1 Minutes of the meeting of the  
2 South Barrington Public Safety Committee  
3 Thursday, April 3, 2014  
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5 Chairman Abbate called the Public Safety Committee meeting to order at 4:34 pm. Present:  
6 Trustee Joe Abbate, Trustee Steve Guranovich, and Trustee De Serto-Cohen. A quorum was  
7 present. Also present were Chief Tom Roman and Deputy Chief Ray Cordell.  
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9 Trustee Cohen motioned to accept the minutes of the February 6, 2014 regular meeting as  
10 written. Seconded by Trustee Guranovich, the motioned carried by voice vote.  
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12 Old Business  
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14 Police Department FY14/15 Budget. Chairman Abbate stated that the budget has been submitted  
15 to the Finance Committee. Chief Roman stated that they reduced the number of new squad cars  
16 to be purchased from three down to two. He added that they are increasing the number in the  
17 fleet by one vehicle by not selling one of the Crown Victoria squads when they are replaced.  
18 Chief stated that the department needs an extra vehicle to be used for peripheral police activity  
19 such as traffic details or traveling to court.  
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21 The committee discussed the differences between the Police Interceptors versus the Crown Vics.  
22 Deputy Chief Cordell stated that the Police Interceptors, which are about the size of a Ford  
23 Taurus, are smaller than the both the SUVs and the Crown Vics, especially after all of the  
24 equipment is installed inside the vehicles. He stated that the officers prefer the SUVs and they  
25 have proven to be more useful during the winter months.  
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27 Chief Roman stated that the proposed budget includes a new desk-top LEADS (Law  
28 Enforcement Agency Data System) computer because the current one is out-dated. LEADS is a  
29 state run computer database that contains Secretary of State and criminal background  
30 information for law enforcement use. LEADS must have an operating system that is Windows 7  
31 or higher to function properly. The current operating system is XP. State Farm Insurance  
32 Company donated a computer that has Window 7 and they will try and make it work with  
33 LEADS. Chief Roman added that if this does work they will not purchase a new computer.  
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35 Chief Roman requested permission to purchase two new AEDs (Automatic External  
36 Defibrillators) so as to have one in each of the squad cars. Trustee Guranovich motioned to  
37 approve and bring to the full Board of Trustees the purchase of two additional AEDs. Seconded  
38 by Trustee Cohen; the motion carried by roll call vote.

39 Trustee Abbate           yes

40 Trustee Guranovich   yes

41 Trustee Cohen           yes  
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43 Police Commission Update. Chief Roman updated the committee members on the recent activity  
44 of the police commission. Officer Kevin Doyle has been hired full-time and is currently in field  
45 training, and a conditional offer of employment will be made to part-time Officer Tom  
46 McDonnell after the next Village board meeting.

47 The committee discussed the staffing levels at the police department. Chief Roman stated that  
48 they currently have a fulltime force of 19 sworn officers including the chief and deputy chief;  
49 however, one officer is currently out on an injury. The chief stated that there are currently 5 part-  
50 time officers on staff but 2 are on convalescent leave because of injury or illness. He added that  
51 the allotted staffing level for part-time officers is 12. Chief Roman stated that he is a proponent  
52 of hiring part-time officers in that they can cost-effectively augment the full-time staff; however,  
53 part-timers are not always available because most have full-time jobs elsewhere. The chief stated  
54 that he will conduct a staffing assessment and report his findings to the committee.

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56 New Business

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58 ILEAS Mutual Aid Agreement Update. Chief Roman informed committee members that the  
59 Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System (ILEAS) agreement was reviewed and has been  
60 amended. Chief stated that the changes are primarily administrative and that the bones of the  
61 agreement, which has been operating for the last 10 years. remains intact. Trustee Guranovich  
62 motioned to accept the amended ILEAS agreement and recommend acceptance by the full Board  
63 of Trustees. Seconded by Trustee Cohen, the motion carried by voice vote.

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65 Deputy Chief Cordell informed committee members that a federal grant for bullet-resistant vests  
66 became available as of April 1, 2014, and South Barrington Police applied for \$15,000. The  
67 grant provides for a 50%-50% split between the village and federal government monies to pay  
68 for the vests. The officer's vests are on a 4 years replacement schedule.

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70 Deputy Chief Cordell stated that the police department has entered the Illinois Association of  
71 Chiefs of Police's Traffic Safety Challenge and will take advantage of any grant opportunities  
72 that are afforded us through the program.

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74 There being no further business, Chairman Abbate called for a motion to adjourn. Trustee  
75 Guranovich motioned, and Trustee Cohen seconded, to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned  
76 at 5:10 pm.

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79 Respectfully submitted,  
80 Mary Lampugnano, Recording Secretary

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83 These minutes were accepted on \_\_\_\_\_ 2014.

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