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2 Minutes of the meeting of the
3 South Barrington Public Safety Committee
4 Thursday, May 7, 2015

5 Chairman Abbate called the Public Safety Committee meeting to order at 4:31 pm. Present:
6 Trustee Joe Abbate and Trustee Therese DeSerto-Cohen. Absent: Trustee Steve Guranovich. A
7 quorum was present. Also present were Chief Roman, Deputy Chief Cordell and Village
8 President Paula McCombie. Trustee Steve Guranovich arrived at 4:42 pm.

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10 Trustee Abbate motioned to accept the minutes of the March 5, 2015 meeting as written.
11 Seconded by Trustee Cohen; the motion carried by voice vote.

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13 OLD BUSINESS

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15 Personnel. Chief Roman updated the committee members on personnel issues. He reported that
16 Officers Lynch and Madej, who have been at the basic police academy since Mach 30, are doing
17 well. He noted that both officers are performing above average in the class.

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19 Sergeant Jim Kaplan has announced his retirement from the police department effective June 4.
20 The chief stated that Jim has accepted a civilian position with the Albuquerque, NM Police
21 Department. Chief Roman stated that this was not expected and they have not yet made plans for
22 Jim's replacement.

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24 Chief Roman shared that he has received an application for part-time police officer from a
25 Palatine officer. He has conducted a telephone interview with him and will schedule an interview
26 with the Interview Committee per the Village code.

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28 Chief Roman reported that Gold Shield Detective Agency is working quickly to complete the
29 background checks on all 23 full-time officer candidates so that the Police Commission may
30 create its final register. He hopes the backgrounds will be completed within the next few weeks.

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32 Citizen Satisfaction Survey. Chief Roman stated the Sergeant Parma is gathering sample
33 questions that may be made part of the proposed citizen survey. Sergeant Parma had created a
34 survey as part of his master's degree thesis. The chief stated that he will update them again at the
35 next meeting.

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37 Radar Trailer. The chief reported that the batteries in the speed trailer have been reconditioned
38 and although the trailer works they are still experiencing problems with the radar in that the
39 speed does not flash quickly enough. The speed trailer was purchased used and we expected that
40 there would be some repair work necessary before we are able to use it effectively.

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42 Trustee Steve Guranovich arrived at the meeting. The chief briefed him on the radar trailer.

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44 Chief informed the committee that the Barrington-Countryside Fire Department began taking up
45 residence in the SBPD training room on May 4th. Two firefighters will be stationed at our
46 facility temporarily until their new fire station is completed. We will also house one (1) non-
47 transport emergency vehicle. Chief Roman opined that this arrangement is good for everyone:

48 the fire department has temporary housing and South Barrington residents will enjoy a quicker
49 response time from the Barrington-Countryside FD.

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51 Chief Roman stated that the mayor has approved the police department bicycle program as an
52 experimental program and will put it up for consideration by the full Board of Trustees. Trustee
53 Abbate had concerns about the risk of officer injury on the bikes. Chief Roman told him that we
54 called around to as many departments who have bike programs as we could find to get their
55 injury statistics. None of those departments reported major injury from a bike; most reported
56 only minor scrapes and bruises. Deputy Chief Cordell added that officers who become part of the
57 bike program will be required to attend 32 hours of training before using the bikes. Trustee
58 Guranovich stated that he has been a long supporter to of the bicycle program and he is very
59 pleased to see the program underway.

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61 NEW BUSINESS

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63 Social Host Ordinance. The committee members discussed the proposed social host ordinance
64 that will make homeowners responsible for underage drinking in their residences. The trustees
65 had some concern about the ordinance being too strict and opted for language that would give
66 police officers the discretion to interpret the spirit of the law without being required to issue
67 citations. Chief Roman stated that he is working with the Village Attorney to draft a suitable
68 ordinance and that it will be presented at the legal and Human Resources committee before being
69 considered by the full Board of Trustees.

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71 Village President McCombie left the meeting at 5:10 pm.

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73 Stop Sign at Covered Bridge and Overbrook. Chief Roman stated that he received a phone call
74 from a resident who was concerned about speeding cars in her neighborhood. She requested that
75 a stop sign be placed at the corner of Overbrook and Covered Bridge Roads. The committee
76 discussed traffic patterns at the intersection at length, and discussed whether a yield sign on
77 Overbrook Road might be more appropriate than a stop sign. Committee members agreed to take
78 no action at this time and to consider it again at the next meeting. In the meantime, they will
79 drive to the intersection to better visualize it.

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81 Body Cameras. Chief Roman distributed informational literature on body cameras to be worn by
82 police officers. He stated that he has no immediate interest in using them at SBPD but added
83 that it may be considered in the future as more and more departments employ the use of the
84 cameras. There are logistic issues that need to be addressed before we would consider them. The
85 cost of the cameras themselves is not prohibitive but the storage of data is expensive and there
86 are unanswered questions regarding how long the data must be kept. Chief Roman reiterated that
87 the literature he distributed is informational only and is not requesting that any action be taken at
88 this time.

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90 Surplus items.

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92 Trustee Guranovich motioned to declare the following items as surplus and to dispose of them in
93 accordance with Village policy.

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95 One (1) Laerdal Recording Resusci Anne CPR medical training manikin in case;

96 Two (2) cases of Laerdal Resusci Anne disposable airways;
97 Fifteen (15) rolls of recording paper;
98 Ten (10) replacement face covers; and,
99 One (1) broken HP laserjet 4250TN printer (serial # CVGXB17197).

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101 Trustee Cohen seconded the motion; motion carried by voice vote.

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103 Trustee Cohen motioned, and Trustee Guranovich seconded, to adjourn the meeting. Meeting
104 adjourned at 5:41 pm.

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106 Respectfully submitted,
107 Mary Lampugnano, Recording Secretary

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109 The May 7, 2015 minutes were accepted on July 2, 2015.

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