

Minutes of the meeting of the
South Barrington Public Safety Committee
Thursday, July 2, 2015

Chairman Abbate called the Public Safety Committee meeting to order at 4:30 pm. Present: Trustee Joe Abbate and Trustee Therese DeSerto-Cohen. Absent: Trustee Steve Guranovich. A quorum was present. Also present were Chief Roman, Deputy Chief Cordell and Village President Paula McCombie.

Trustee Abbate motioned to accept the minutes of the May 7, 2015 meeting as written. Seconded by Trustee Cohen; the motion carried by voice vote.

Yield Sign at Covered Bridge/Overbrook. At the June meeting, the Public Safety Committee discussed traffic patterns at the intersection of Covered Bridge and Overbrook, and discussed whether a stop sign or a yield sign on Overbrook Road would be appropriate there. Since that meeting the trustees drove to the intersection and reviewed it first-hand. The consensus was that a yield sign would work best. Chief Roman stated that there are 10 yield signs in the Village. He noted that although the Village has an ordinance governing the schedule for stop signs, it does not address the yield signs. The chief will contact the village attorney to make the changes to the ordinance that will allow for the yield signs.

Trustee Cohen motioned to recommend to the Board of Trustees that the Village ordinance be amended to include a schedule for yield signs and to recommend that a yield sign be placed on Overbrook Road at the intersection of Covered Bridge Road. Trustee Abbate seconded; the motion carried by voice vote.

OLD BUSINESS

Personnel Updates. Chief Roman updated the committee members on the following personnel issues.

1. Deputy Chief Cordell has announced his retirement effective July 17, 2015.
2. Detective Jeff Lang will be promoted to Sergeant on July 8, 2015. The detective position will remain vacant until later in the year. Three of the four sergeants are former detectives and the chief assured trustees that investigation work will continue to get done.
3. Officer Cruz has been injured on duty and will have surgery on his right thumb this week. He is expected to be out of work for several weeks.
4. Probationary officers Lynch and Madej, who recently graduated the basic academy, are both in field training and are progressing well.
5. John Macchitelli and Mike Ornelas have been hired and will start the basic academy on Monday, July 6.
6. Part-time applicant Andy Locascio has informed the chief that he has accepted a full-time position at another agency and is no longer interested in part-time work with SBPD.
7. Part-time applicant Jim Mortakis has passed his medical and psychological exams. Jim will be out of the country for the next few weeks but will be sworn into the police department upon his return.

Customer Service Survey. Chief Roman updated the Committee on the status of the customer service survey. Sgt. Parma is working on questions for two surveys, one to be sent to citizens

49 who live or work in South Barrington, and the other to be sent to citizens who have had police
50 contact. In both surveys individuals will be asked to rate their perception of the police
51 department and will include “how can we improve” questions.

52 Chief Roman suggested using the CTY Blackboard data base in some capacity to assist with the
53 survey. The Committee discussed using CTY to inform residents of the survey’s existence and
54 refer citizens to the website to complete it.

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56 The Committee discussed extending the business hours of the Records Section of the police
57 department. Chief Roman stated that he is considering extending two hours each weekday. The
58 extended hours would be 8 am – 6 pm, Monday through Friday.

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60 Chief Roman reported that the Barrington-Countryside firefighters housed in our training room
61 and garage have been good neighbors and we have gotten on well. He added that their response
62 time to South Barrington calls is much quicker and most of the time we do not know that they
63 are here. Chief Roman estimated that the firefighters will be with us until sometime in the fall of
64 this year.

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66 NEW BUSINESS

67 None.

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69 Deputy Chief Cordell, who is retiring from South Barrington Police Department after serving
70 almost 30 years, thanked the trustees for all of their good work over the years. He stated that it
71 has been a privilege to work for the Village. Trustee Abbate returned the compliment and
72 thanked Deputy Chief Cordell for his years of service.

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74 Trustee Cohen motioned, and Trustee Abbate seconded, to adjourn the meeting. Meeting
75 adjourned at 5:05 pm.

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77 Respectfully submitted,

78 Mary Lampugnano, Recording Secretary

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80 The July 2, 2015 minutes were accepted on August 6, 2015.

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