

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF SOUTH BARRINGTON
Thursday, August 11, 2016 6:30 p.m.
Rose Hall in the SB Village Hall 30 S. Barrington Road South Barrington, IL

CALL TO ORDER

President McCombie called the Special Board meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. She welcomed the audience to another Town Hall Meeting and thanked them for attending. Residents in Farmington Ridge, Forest Knoll, Willowmere and Windemere subdivisions were sent invitations to tonight's meeting. There were six people in the audience. Light refreshments were available. Clerk Wood took roll:

Present: President: Paula McCombie

Trustees: Joseph Abbate, Bernard Kerman, Hina Patel, Anthony Stagno

Absent: Trustees: Therese Cohen, Steve Guranovich

A quorum was present. Also present were Village Engineer Natalie Karney, Building Officer Mike Moreland, Finance Officer Michelle Bodie, Executive Secretary Linda Hooker, Village Administrator Bob Palmer, and Police Chief Thomas Roman.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The President and Board members each briefly introduced themselves to the audience. Village Staff then introduced themselves and spoke briefly about their jobs at the Village and current issues in their expertise that the audience might be interested in. Chief Roman reminded residents to lock cars as well as doors, to use lights in their homes and to use the vacation watch program of the Police Department. He also urged them not to hesitate to call 911 if they see something out of the ordinary in the neighborhood. Engineer Karney explained the free rain barrel program from MWRD that will be ending in December, and also explained that MWRD is providing free 18" saplings.

President McCombie then invited the audience to speak.

Residents Dr. Arvind and Renu Goyle said they were happy with positive things like the new meeting hall, but asked if there were challenges for the Village, and if there were ways in which residents could help in the Village. Dr. Goyle specifically asked about mosquitos, lead pipes, and emergency management. (Dr. Goyle has been a long-time volunteer for the medical emergency management of the Village.)

President McCombie informed the audience that the CDC had not found any evidence of Zeeka carriers, and noted that one of the Village's projects is to improve the drainage throughout the Village. She reported that they have been refining the Emergency Management plan with the help of a consultant and the plan will be resubmitted to the County.

President McCombie explained that the Village has applications for resident volunteers, but also invited applicants to make an appointment with her to discuss what they are interested in.

Currently, the Property Maintenance Committee has availability and Trustee Patel is working on a committee for teenage volunteers. The Conservancy Committee can also use volunteers to help at The Conservancy grounds.

As challenges, President McCombie said that Police matters would include thefts, and educating residents not to leave their cars open and to call 911 if they see anything questionable. She also reported that the Village is working with The Arboretum to get new tenants, especially a grocery. Trustee Kerman said that residents are always welcome to attend the regular Board meetings,

held the second Thursday of each month. He noted that specific Committee meetings are also open to the public.

Trustee Patel said that balancing the budget is a challenge when considering the Police Pension. Trustee Stagno talked about the small portion of the property tax that actually goes to the Village, and also said that the Police Pension is one item that continues to increase. He credited the Mayor for her great job of keeping other costs in line. Trustee Stagno also referred to the challenge of increased airplane noise and noted that the Village had recently joined a commission about the noise traffic at O'Hare.

Dr. Goyle said that the Board was doing a great job and that he appreciated tonight's discussion. Trustee Kerman credited the fabulous staff for really getting things done.

President McCombie told the audience that everyone at the Hall is available to them and encouraged the residents to call with any questions.

Administrator Palmer reported that we have the third lowest tax rate in Cook County. He also noted that recently a media source voted us the third best place to live in Cook County.

Finance Officer Bodie explained that the Village has no bonded debt, just the pension debt. She noted that it was Trustee Abbate's idea to invite the residents by subdivisions to a townhall meet. The August 27th paper document destruction event was announced, and the BACOG water testing September 26-30 was explained. The Conservancy's Scarecrow Event was also announced.

President McCombie noted that the Village's 'weekly updates' get sent to the HomeOwner Association presidents, and if these are not being forwarded, residents can look at the web page.

Executive Secretary Hooker showed the Village page at www.southbarrington.org and demonstrated navigating through the tabs along the left side of the page.

Trustee Patel noted that any interested parties could volunteer to help at the paper shredding event.

Resident Susan Atchison introduced herself and Windemere HOA President Geraldine Nerby and said that they appreciated being invited to tonight's meeting and that they also appreciated that the Village fixed the road in Windemere.

President McCombie asked for any other comments or questions; there were none. She invited the audience to help themselves to refreshments and to meet the Trustees and staff.

OLD BUSINESS

(None)

NEW BUSINESS

(None)

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION to ADJOURN was made by Trustee Kerman.

SECONDED by Trustee Stagno.

There was no further discussion. By unanimous voice vote, the motion carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:11 p.m. Trustee Kerman invited the residents to stay for the regular Board Meeting at 7:30.

These minutes were approved this
_____ Day of _____, 2016

Donna Wood, Village Clerk