

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF SOUTH BARRINGTON
Thursday, September 8, 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 6:36 p.m. She welcomed the audience to another Town Hall Meeting and thanked them for attending. Residents in The Glen and Hunters Ridge subdivisions were sent invitations to tonight's meeting. There were eight people in the audience. Light refreshments were available.

Clerk Wood took roll:

Present: President: Paula McCombie

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

Absent: Trustee: Therese Cohen

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

The President and Board members each briefly introduced themselves to the audience, and mentioned items of interest to the audience, such as pension requirements or our top tier ratings as both a community to live in Illinois and a place to buy a house. The Board encouraged any interested residents to apply if interested in serving the Village, and assured them that it was a very rewarding venture. They thanked the audience for attending tonight.

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 explained that while Police Department support staff are at the Village Hall during normal work hours, our Police Force is 24/7. He urged them not to hesitate to call 911 if they see something out of the ordinary in the neighborhood. Chief Roman also reminded residents to lock cars as well as doors, and to use their alarm system if they have one. He referred to newspaper reports of thieves coming out to the suburbs from Chicago, and reported that we have had some cars and homes burglarized or attempt at burglaries. He asked for the residents' help in noticing anything out of the ordinary. Trustee Abbate noted the easy on and off proximity to the Tollway.

Finance Officer Bodie gave highlights of the recently completed annual audit, such as that the Village is debt-free.

Staff encouraged the residents to call with any questions when they thought the Village could help.

President McCombie then invited the audience to speak.

A Hunters Ridge resident noted that they have a 'No Soliciting' policy in their subdivision and asked about Village policy. President McCombie explained that solicitors do need to get a license from the Village, and added that if residents display a "no soliciting" sign, it will cut down on their disturbances. Police Chief Roman said to call the Police if there are any problems. He also noted that there may be non-soliciting groups which may go door-to-door and are allowed to do so by religious freedom of speech.

A Glen resident thanked President McCombie and Engineer Karney for their help in fixing the lake by The Glen entrance. He then explained a problem with maintenance of a berm, previously managed by The Village, but now part of an agreement with the South Barrington Park District allowing cricket playing. President McCombie said that she had already had Village Administrator Bob Palmer call the Park, and that the Park said they would mow the area. She will follow up with Administrator Palmer when he returns from vacation, and meanwhile she would ask SBPD Executive Director Jay Morgan tonight, as he will be at the regular Board meeting. The resident also reported a serious water problem between Mundhank road and the McGlashen cul-de-sac. Engineer Karney will look at it again and see if Cook County is responsible.

A Hunters Ridge resident asked about

- having the weeds cut at Mundhank and Barrington Roads. The HOA is tired of calling about it and thought the Village or Police could call. President McCombie noted that the Village has already made numerous calls, as well as cutting the weeds themselves.
- vehicle stickers, a program the Village has cancelled, but one that would reduce the chances of getting a ticket in downtown Chicago for lack of a vehicle sticker. Finance Officer Bodie said she will look into a universal undated sticker. Chief Roman said that the officer writing the ticket should actually run the plate and see that SB residents do not need a sticker.
- having local fire and ambulance. President McCombie reported that we did have emergency vehicles here at the Police Department temporarily, but do not have the full parking facility that they need. So there is now an emergency response vehicle at Willow Creek Church, and the Village is trying to find another close place for it.
- concern of a 40-50 year flood incident, for the little pond in Hunters Ridge. Building Officer Moreland said he had found the discharge pipe clogged after the last big rain and had it cleaned. He asked the residents to call if they think the water level is high again.

President McCombie noted that SBPD Director Jay Morgan had now arrived, and told Mr. Morgan that The Glen said the Park is missing two lots in its cutting. Mr. Morgan said the agreement was just to cut the back side of the cricket field. The Village will review the contract.

A previous speaker clarified her questions about the ambulance at Willow Creek. She was concerned about the Fire Department and water trucks since they cannot use all the lakes. President McCombie explained a new mandate that means all fire trucks will come out with water.

Police Chief Roman said he just met with the Countryside FD Chief yesterday. Chief Roman said that there is some light fire-fighting equipment on the first responder vehicle but the longer term solution is to identify a site to build a fire station. Countryside said they are still actively working on that.

A Hunters Ridge resident asked about the repairs on Polo Drive, noting that the patching is unattractive and asked if the road would be resurfaced. Jason Fowler, who was also in the audience, explained the difference of intent between patching and resurfacing, and that the Village has to balance which roads need what. Mr. Fowler will look at Polo Drive's surface.

President McCombie asked for any other comments or questions; there were none.

Trustee Kerman commented that the audience can see how responsive and helpful Village staff is, and he thanked staff for all their work making duties of the Board easier.

OLD BUSINESS

Trustee Guranovich invited the audience to stay for the regular meeting tonight.

NEW BUSINESS

(None)

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION to ADJOURN was made by Trustee Kerman.

SECONDED by Trustee Patel.

There was no further discussion. By unanimous voice vote, the motion carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:33 p.m. President McCombie invited the residents to enjoy refreshments and to talk to the staff and the Board.

These minutes were approved this
_____ Day of _____, 2016

Donna Wood, Village Clerk