

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF SOUTH BARRINGTON
Thursday, November 10, 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. She noted that the Board appreciates input from the community. Residents in Greensward, Pheasant Ridge, South Barrington Estates, South Barrington Green, and Stoneridge subdivisions were sent invitations to tonight's meeting. There were ten people in the audience. Light refreshments were available. Clerk Wood took roll:

Present: President: Paula McCombie

Trustees: Joseph Abbate, Therese DeSerto-Cohen, Steve Guranovich,
Bernard Kerman, Hina Patel, Anthony Stagno

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

The President and Board members each briefly introduced themselves to the audience, and mentioned items of interest.

Village Staff then introduced themselves and spoke briefly about their jobs at the Village and issues in their areas of expertise that the audience might be interested in. Engineer Karney reminded residents that the free rain barrel program would be over at the end of the year. Finance Officer Bodie told the audience that hearing assistance headsets were available for the room's acoustics. Police Chief Roman told residents to always use "911" to contact the Police, even in non-emergency situations, and especially if they see something suspicious or out of the ordinary in their neighborhood. Staff encouraged the residents to call with any questions when they thought the Village could help and also to review the wealth of information on the Village website.

Trustee Kerman mentioned that niche.com rated South Barrington as the #2 suburb in Illinois to buy a home, and #4 as overall best to live in. He thanked the Mayor, staff, and residents for making it so. President McCombie added that South Barrington has the third-lowest tax rate in Cook County.

PUBLIC COMMENT

President McCombie then invited the audience to ask questions or make comments.

Discussion ensued on tree removal and replacement. President McCombie reported that the Village is working with Conservancy Chairwoman Diane Bodkin to become a "tree city". One resident said that they had to trim a dead parkway tree so that the grass cutters would be safe; Building Officer Moreland asked the resident to call him so he could take care of it. President McCombie encouraged the residents to call the Village Hall with any such issues. A resident suggested including information on the parkways and Village right-of-way in the next newsletter.

Discussion then moved to maintenance of trees, and lawns, on private property, especially vacant or foreclosed property. Residents asked if the Village can do anything to help the HOAs get

these problems resolved. Building Officer Moreland said that if they think trees on private property are a safety issue, they should call the Village. The Village will also talk to homeowners about property maintenance and tree ordinances. Staff asked to be copied on any letters that a HOA sends to an individual with problem property.

Staff showed residents a link on the web page to request a Trader Joe's store at The Arboretum.

President McCombie invited the residents to enjoy refreshments and to talk to the staff and the Board.

OLD BUSINESS

(None)

NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Kerman invited the residents to stay for the regular Board meeting to see other areas of Village business.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION to ADJOURN was made by Trustee Patel.

SECONDED by Trustee Kerman.

There was no further discussion. By unanimous voice vote, the motion carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

These minutes were approved this
_____ Day of _____, 2016

Donna Wood, Village Clerk