

Minutes of the meeting of  
South Barrington Public Safety Committee  
Thursday, November 17, 2016

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Abbate called the Public Safety Committee meeting to order at 4:33 pm.

ROLL CALL

Present: Trustee Joe Abbate and Trustee Steve Guranovich. Absent: Trustee Therese DeSerto-Cohen. A quorum was present. Also present were Village President Paula McCombie, Trustee Bernie Kerman and Chief Tom Roman.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Guranovich motioned to accept the minutes of the October 28, 2016 regular meeting as written. Seconded by Trustee Abbate; the motion carried by voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

OLD BUSINESS

Personnel Updates. Chief Roman updated the Committee on the following personnel matters.

1. Chief Roman reported that the two new Records Clerks continue to progress well through training.
2. Sgt. Haniszewski has been medically cleared for full duty. He will return to regular duty on November 25.
3. Chief Roman updated committee members on his plan to rearrange the sergeants' duty schedule so that each supervisor will rotate across patrol teams. The original plan was to rotate sergeants every 3 months. This proved to be logistically difficult so the plan has been revised to rotate sergeants every 6 months. Their schedules will be six months working with one team and then six months working nights working with another team.

Forward Looking Infrared (FLIR) Device Demonstration. Chief Roman demonstrated for the committee the new FLIR infrared device that was purchased with a ComEd matching grant. The heat sensing device will be used to locate individuals in varied circumstances; to locate suspects who may be hiding or persons who may be missing. Chief Roman explained that the device detects heat, not light. The new device is much smaller and easier to use than the previous one we leased from the U.S. Navy. It operates on regular or rechargeable AA batteries. The trustees each had a chance to view the camera. Village President McCombie asked the chief to look into purchasing insurance on the camera.

Part-time Officer Radios. Chief Roman stated that the radios that were ordered for the part-time officers have arrived and they are being used. The chief commented that they are smaller than the old radios and the old holsters do not fit them properly. We ordered new holsters that better fit the radios.

## NEW BUSINESS

FY 2017-2018 Budget. Chief Roman stated that he does not have any surprises in next year's budget but did ask about replacing the vacancy left by Officer Bob Rycraft (Officer Rycraft recently settled his disability status with the Police Pension Board). The chief stated that he is not looking for more full-time or part-time police officers or to increase the budget but he is hoping to fill the one full-time vacancy and he did discuss hiring additional part-time officers as necessary or when he finds strong applicants. He mentioned that part-time officer Ron Reiter will retire next year. President McCombie commented that the part-time officers need to be available when we need them (i.e. nights and weekends) and if that does not work for a part-time officer then we should consider replacing them.

Discussion took place about the beat system for patrol. We have an east beat and a west beat. When there are three people working a shift, an officer is assigned to east and west beats and the supervisor acts as a floating car. When we are at four people on a shift, which is optimal, then the third patrol car is given a special assignment.

2016 Annual Report. Chief Roman asked trustees if there is anything specific they want him to report in the upcoming annual report. Trustee Guranovich stated that he liked the format that was used in previous annual reports. He found it especially helpful that the crime and ticket statistics were compared to the previous years. The trustees also asked that explanations be given for any serious crimes that occur in the village.

## OTHER BUSINESS

Hanover Township Emergency Services. Chief Roman informed the Committee that he recently learned about services offered by Hanover Township. The chief sent Sergeant Lang to a meeting at the township and learned that their emergency services are willing to assist agencies outside their township when they are able. In practical terms, the chief said that we could call on Hanover Township to help with traffic control in the event of a serious accident, for example. He added that their services are free of charge but the township would prefer that we sign an intergovernmental agreement outlining the arrangement. Trustee Kerman suggested that Hanover Township representatives be invited to a Village Board Meeting so that all trustees could learn more about their emergency services.

Chief Roman alerted trustees to a typographical error that was put in the resolution at last month's Village Board meeting with regard to the purchase of four rifles. The rifles that are actually being purchased are Ruger rifles, not Rock River as was stated in the resolution. The chief apologized for the error and stated that the price that was quoted is correct. Trustee Guranovich motioned to correct the record by replacing "Rock River" with "Ruger" in the resolution at the next Village Board meeting. Seconded by Trustee Abbate; the motion carried by roll call vote.

Trustee Abbate	yes
Trustee Guranovich	yes
Trustee Cohen	absent

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary Lampugnano, Recording Secretary

The November 17, 2016 minutes were accepted on \_\_\_\_\_, 2016.