

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE  
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF SOUTH BARRINGTON  
Thursday, June 8, 2017 6:15 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 6:24 p.m. She welcomed the audience to another Town Hall Meeting and thanked them for attending. Residents of The Regency and The Woods of South Barrington subdivisions were sent invitations to tonight's meeting. There were 21 residents in the audience.

Refreshments were provided by The Lucky Monk and by Anna Shea Chocolates.

Clerk Wood took roll:

Present: President: Paula McCombie

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

Absent: Trustees: Therese DeSerto-Cohen, Steve Guranovich

A quorum was present. Also present were Building Officer Mike Moreland, Engineer Natalie Karney, Finance Officer Michelle Bodie, Deputy Clerk Liz Chabalowski, Village Administrator Bob Palmer, Police Chief Thomas Roman and Police Officer Alex Cruz.

The President, Board members, and Clerk each briefly introduced themselves to the audience, highlighting their background in volunteering for the Village. They thanked the residents for attending tonight, and encouraged them to ask questions and to stay for the following regular Board meeting. Trustee Kerman told the audience that there will be a public tour of the water treatment plant one Saturday in July. He also informed the audience that niche.com, using current statistics, including serious crimes (0), ranked South Barrington as the 31st best suburb in the entire country in which to live; he thanked the Police, Village staff, Board, and residents for this distinction. He thanked the audience for their attendance at Hoffman Estates meetings concerning Plum Farms development as well as at tonight's Town Hall meeting.

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.

Deputy Clerk Liz Chabalowski recommended that residents use the Village webpage, and welcomed all resident suggestions to make the site more helpful.

Administrator Bob Palmer updated the residents about lights along Bridges Drive, and reported that the electricity aggregation contract that the Village has will expire in August, and the best result from two rounds of bids was to match ComEd's rates. Administrator Palmer also noted that resident input at these meetings have led to many good suggestions for the Village.

Police Chief Tom Roman told residents to always use "911" to contact the Police, even in non-emergency situations, and especially if they see something suspicious in their neighborhood; there is no problem with the Police if the instance turns out to be nothing. He reported that there has been an increase in identity theft in the Village and reminded residents that they are entitled to an annual free credit report from each of the three main credit bureaus, which means they could have a report every four months.

Officer Alex Cruz introduced himself to the audience and stated that the Police are in partnership with the community. He suggested that residents lock both their home and car doors, set alarms if they have them, and use the Police's house watch program when they are out of town. He noted that he would be available after the meeting for any questions.

Engineer Natalie Karney informed the audience that she works on the problems outside of

homes, and provided her business cards for the residents.

Building Officer Mike Moreland noted that he has a lot of experience with buildings, and that if any resident does not understand something about their home, he and Engineer Karney will come out to explain.

Finance Officer Michelle Bodie reported that water quality reports would be out soon, and that the RPZ testing dates were also coming up. She highlighted information on property taxes, showing the Cook County Clerk's website on tax information and reminding residents to check to see that they have all the exemptions they are due. She encourage the residents not to be timid about calling with any questions on taxes or Village finances.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

President McCombie opened the floor to questions and comments from the audience.

A resident asked about Plum Farms development and airplane traffic. President McCombie said that O'Hare and the FAA have been doing a lot of testing on different runway paths, taxiing patterns, soundproofing, etc. to see how they affect homes, as they will be decommissioning an O'Hare runway. The test patterns will be changing monthly until they decide which change is best for everyone. They will be building a new runway in 2019. The Village is still actively working on following the Plum Farms development, attending School Board and BACOG meetings, etc. It is a huge project and there are still a lot of pieces that need to be put together.

A resident asked about the Allstate property. President McCombie replied that it is zoned for office/research and that no one has come in for a change in zoning. There have been a few phone calls about multiuse (residential/commercial) but no follow up after initial calls. Administrator Palmer reported that he has tried to contact Allstate's real estate department, but they do not seem to be actively marketing the property.

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

President McCombie informed the audience of two new restaurants coming to The Arboretum. Rascal Flatts, a music and dining venue, has already been before the Plan Commission, and The Hampton Social would be a breakfast, lunch and dinner restaurant.

Trustee Patel praised retiring Officer Ron Reiter on his level of professionalism, and noted that he had made a resident family feel very at ease during a difficult time.

A resident asked if there were plans to expand Routes 59 or 62. Engineer Karney relayed that IDOT said there were no plans in the future, and she added that since it was just resurfaced, she didn't expect any changes for several years. It was noted that the conceptual plan for Plum Farms has only one road onto Route 59, it being across from Arboretum Drive. The audience asked for a completion time on the tollway work. Engineer Karney said there was no recent update, but she would look and post any update information on the Village webpage. Administrator Palmer added that the last time he asked, he was told 'by the end of the year'.

President McCombie again asked for any other questions or comments; there were none. She asked the audience to stay after adjournment to enjoy the refreshments, and to ask any more questions that they might have individually.

**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 7:05 p.m. Trustee Kerman invited everyone to stay for the civics lesson that is our regular Board Meeting.

These minutes were approved this  
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Donna Wood, Village Clerk