

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF SOUTH BARRINGTON
Thursday, November 9, 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 6:34 p.m. Residents of Greensward, Pheasant Ridge, South Barrington Estates, South Barrington Green and Stoneridge subdivisions were sent invitations to tonight's meeting. There were initially 3 residents in the audience at the start of the meeting, which then increased to 6 residents.

Refreshments were provided by Anna Shea Chocolates.

Clerk Wood took roll:

Present: President: Paula McCombie

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

Absent: Trustee: Therese DeSerto-Cohen, Bernard Kerman

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

Because the initial audience was very familiar with the Board and Village staff, President McCombie forewent the usual introductions and moved right into the meeting after thanking the audience for attending tonight's Town Hall meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

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

Resident Kim Majerus-Skonie addressed the Board on a plethora of problems with Toll Brothers in The Woods development north of Penny Road. Chief among these is the fact that Toll has only provided gang mail boxes for the residents, and these boxes have been subject to theft.

Residents now have to deal with check fraud and multiple stolen identification issues.

Ms. Majerus-Skonie has tried to resolve this with Toll, and also contacted the Post Office. The Homeowner Association respectfully asks the Village to stop issuing Toll new building permits until Toll resolves some of the problems that they have created. The HOA attorney has said that the Village is the only party that can help with this.

President McCombie began discussion on the mailbox problem. Administrator Palmer met with the postmaster. The residents should not have gang boxes. Toll had told the residents that TBI couldn't get approval for separate boxes. Building Officer Moreland spoke about zoning.

Ms. Majerus-Skonie noted that she has talked to the postmaster, the previous post master, and the regional postmaster. Evidently, Toll did not file correctly at first (concerning rural routes), and have not filed the paperwork to fix that original problem. Toll also told the residents that the Village approved the mail delivery as it is. Police Chief Roman stated that there was recently mailbox theft in the Village.

Ms. Majerus-Skonie listed some other problems, such as with the parkway plantings, and characterized Toll as showing a lack of responsiveness, a lack of performance, and a lack of responsibility, while showing some outright deception. This is why she is here tonight asking the Village for help.

Building Officer Moreland asked for a list of all the issues. Finance Officer Bodie noted that the Village also holds a letter of credit for the development. President McCombie suggested meeting with the other homeowners and their lists, so that they could go through all the issues individually.

Resident Joan White expressed concern about the bushes at Penny Road and Beechnut, which block sightlines when exiting that development. The bushes at Witt and Penny are also a problem. The Village will send letters to residents not taking care of their property. Trustee Guranovich noted that there is also a dip in the road that makes it hard to see oncoming cars, and asked Chief Roman to contact the County about the problem. Residents complimented the Village on the recent tree trimming program.

Residents were also concerned about garbage flying around when put out in plastic bags rather than garbage cans. President McCombie reported that the Village does have rules on when the garbage should be put out, but no regulations on the garbage itself. She asked Building Officer Moreland to write a letter to one particular address that seems to often have a mess.

President McCombie asked for any other questions or comments; there were none. She updated the audience on the Plum Farms case, and invited interested residents to attend the hearing upcoming at Daley Center. Trustees also encouraged the residents to attend.

One resident asked about moving borders for the School District. Brief discussion ensued on that possibility, and the fact that the School's interests in the proposed Plum Farms development differed from the Village's.

There were no other questions.

OLD BUSINESS

(None)

NEW BUSINESS

(None)

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION to ADJOURN was made by Trustee Abbate.

SECONDED by Trustee Stagno.

There was no further discussion. By unanimous voice vote, the motion carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:21 p.m. President McCombie invited the audience to stay for refreshments and to attend the regular Board meeting.

These minutes were approved this
14th Day of December, 2017


Robert L. Palmer, Deputy Village Clerk