

# VILLAGE OF SOUTH BARRINGTON

30 South Barrington Road  
South Barrington, IL 60010

## PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2022

AT 3:30 P.M.

### CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Abbate called the meeting to order at 3:31 p.m.

### ROLL CALL

Members Present: Chairman Joseph Abbate, Trustee Stephen Guranovich

Members Absent: Trustee Edgar Alvarado

Officials Present: Mayor Paula McCombie, Trustee Stagno

Staff Present: Police Chief Thomas Roman, Deputy Chief Michael Garrison, Administrative Assistant Nicole Vaccarello

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Guranovich moved to approve the minutes of the Public Safety Committee for October 19, 2022. Seconded by Chairman Abbate. **Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.**

### PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Abbate invited members of the public to address the committee. Aladin Mariano, Clerk, attended the meeting but stated he was there to listen. Trustee Kanu Panchal arrived during the meeting as well but didn't speak. The meeting proceeded with the published agenda items.

### OLD BUSINESS

Chief Roman gave the committee a personnel update. He explained that Sergeant Lopez is still on light duty. Records Clerk Corinne will be having her baby soon. We are looking into getting a temp to help out while she is out on maternity leave. She plans to be out for 12 weeks. We want to find someone with a background in records so if we have to get someone with no experience, it will be to do the basic records functions. Trustee Guranovich asked about a government temp agency and Mayor McCombie suggested we look into it, but we will also be putting in an ad on Indeed. Chief went on to mention that we have a lateral candidate from Florida that had made a really good impression on the police commission and the Mayor had an opportunity to interview him as well and is very impressed. We will be taking the next steps with him and we still have more interviews to do.

### NEW BUSINESS

Chairman Abbate moved the Committee on to the new business portion of the agenda. Chief explained that the Police Commission has already approved a change for the rules to state that if a candidate has an honorable discharge from the US Armed Forces, they will waive the degree requirement for consideration to hire. It also states that a degree would still be required for promotion, just like a lateral entry. Chief Roman and the Police Commission believe that this will help open up opportunity for potential candidates and make our department more competitive. The Committee discussed. Trustee Guranovich made a motion to approve this change to the next board meeting. Seconded by Chairman Abbate. **Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.**

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Chief Roman discussed a bit about the recent incident with a stolen car that struck one of our patrol cars. He explained that we are looking into new technology that launches a sticky projectile with a GPS device to track fleeing vehicles. This would allow us to track the vehicle while communicating with other departments. Elmhurst PD currently uses it. It is called “Starchase”. The cost to outfit the whole fleet would be \$65K, and about \$10K for one car. The cost includes training. Chief asked if this would be something to look further into. The Committee discussed and decided we should look into it more and bring more information on it to the next meeting.

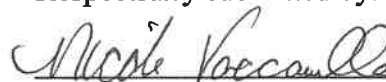
**EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF NEEDED)**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

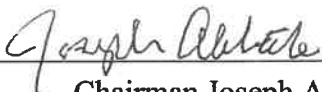
There being no further business, Trustee Guranovich moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:07 p.m. Chairman Abbate seconded. **Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.**

Respectfully submitted by:



Nicole Vaccarello, Administrative Assistant  
to the Chief of Police

These minutes were approved this  
21 day of December, 2022



Chairman Joseph Abbate