VILLAGE OF SOUTH BARRINGTON

30 South Barrington Road South Barrington, IL 60010

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MINUTES TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2022 AT 1:00 p.m.

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Kerman called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Committee Members present: Chairman Kerman, Trustee Abbate and Trustee Patel Staff present: Administrator Palmer, Building Officer Moreland, Public Works/Code

Enforcement Officer Schroeder and Engineer Karney

Others Present: Mayor McCombie, Jason Fowler from Sheaffer & Roland, Inc.

APPROVAL OF THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 17, 2022

Chairman Kerman requested a motion to approve the minutes of February 17, 2022. Motion by Abbate and second by Patel. On a voice vote the motion was approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

AGENDA ITEMS

A. Consultant Reports - Sheaffer & Roland

Jason Fowler presented his report and commented on the Water Treatment Plant Lift Station pump still being out of service. Replacement parts are on order. A new item that was reported on was the Poplar Creek Lift Station Discharge Pipe Failure. Quotes are being requested to fully replace the pipe and related connections. Quotes should be available in time for the next Village Board Meeting. Estimates of repair are approximately \$37,000. Repair itself is estimated to take a week to a week-and-a-half. Equipment is original to the lift station which was installed between 1997 and early 1999. Chairman Kerman asked about the overall performance of the Water Treatment Plant and whether the village is experiencing more than normal maintenance issues. Fowler explained that what is being experienced is normal for equipment of this nature reaching the end of its useful life. Trustee Patel asked about the impact of new technology in regard to the overall operation. Fowler explained that when upgrades are implemented the latest technology is normally incorporated when available and cost-effective.

B. <u>Diane Elkins with Buy Commercial Energy, Inc. Regarding Community Solar</u> Program

Chairman Kerman invited Diane Elkins with Buy Commercial Energy, Inc. to make her presentation regarding Community Solar. Elkins provided a handout explaining the program that markets directly to residents, encouraging their entering into an agreement to receive a 20%

reduction in their electric energy supply cost. The term of the agreement is 15 years and can be cancelled with a 90 day notice. Elkin's company seeks to receive the endorsement of the village to assist in the marketing effort, which would be established through a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). Elkins explained that the program is working with several other municipalities: Kildeer, Decatur and Maine Township specifically. Several questions were raised following the presentation including if the program works with the existing aggregation program, if it precludes residents putting solar panels on their homes and how the program is funded. Responses were that the aggregation is not impacted by this program, solar panels were not believed to be impacted and funding comes from the development of solar panel farms. Residents that sign-up receive a \$100 incentive payment and the village would receive a matching amount as well. The program starts 30-60 days following enrollment and is exclusively for residential customers. Following discussion the committee concurred that further discussion would be needed and as well a review of the MOU by the village attorney. Chairman Kerman thanked Ms. Elkins for her presentation.

C. <u>Jeff Weiss with Flint Creek/Spring Creek Watershed Regarding Upcoming Projects</u> Chairman Kerman invited Jeff Weiss to make his presentation on behalf of the Flint Creek/Spring Creek Watershed. Weiss presented the goals and plans for the watershed organization including various projects that have been listed for South Barrington. A follow-up meeting is scheduled with staff to review specifics of the projects that were noted in the presentation.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor McCombie reported on the status of the Allstate site and progress toward changing the village's IT provider.

STAFF REPORTS

A. Village Engineer

Karney reported on an issue involving the Executive Center and a proposal to close a parking lot entrance, along with eliminating parking spaces. The committee discussed the issue and determined that the village attorney should be consulted as to whether the item needed to go to the Plan Commission for review. Karney also reported on an online recycling program she participated in and progress on a LOMAR for work in the Woods of South Barrington Subdivision that has an impact on Toll Brothers. Finally, Karney reported on a street light out at Mundhank and Rt. 72 that she is in contact with ComEd to repair.

B. Village Administrator

Palmer reported on the status of the Hillwood proposal for the former Allstate site, the Vintage Homes proposal for 61 Palatine Road, the prospect of providing landscape waste toters through Groot, progress with Toll Brothers on landscaping along Bridges Drive, progress with the two Cricket Clubs seeking to license village property and Eligo Energy switching residents under the aggregation program. Palmer then introduced Jon Schroeder for his report.

Schroeder reported on the stop sign installation at Wood Oaks and Rt. 59, assembling a tree trimming list, progress in getting house numbers on mailboxes throughout the village,

developing a warning system for residents leaving garbage toters out past the time they can be at the curb and progress toward clearing swales.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

No Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT

At 3:14 p.m., Trustee Patel made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Abbate. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Palmer

These minutes were approved this 21st Day of March, 2023