

# **VILLAGE OF SOUTH BARRINGTON**

30 South Barrington Road  
South Barrington, IL 60010

## **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES**

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17, 2024

AT 3:30 P.M.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Abbate called the meeting to order at 3:33 P.M.

### **ROLL CALL**

Members Present: Chairman Joseph Abbate, Trustee Stephen Guranovich

Members Absent: Trustee Edgar Alvarado

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

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Trustee Guranovich moved to approve the minutes of the Public Safety Committee for February 21, 2024. Seconded by Chairman Abbate. **Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.**

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chairman Abbate invited members of the public to address the committee. Hearing none, he proceeded with the rest of the published agenda items.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Chief Roman gave the committee an update on the Police Department. Chief stated that Nick Gryzoski will be graduating from the Academy a week from Friday. Chief went on to say that Eric Santiago will be starting Monday the 22<sup>nd</sup> and then starting academy the following Monday on the 29<sup>th</sup>. Chief explained that we have put another post on the Blue Line for applicants. So far, we have gotten four applications and six people have tested, however only one person has passed the test.

Deputy Chief discussed our fleet. He explained that two of the four old squad cars have been sold. One for \$7,900 and the other for \$7,000. He explained that we plan to keep one old car for training with StarChase so officers have a way to practice. Deputy Chief explained that we have StarChase installed in two squads and as of right now, six officers are trained on it. The plan is to get everyone in the department trained by the end of May or beginning of June. He also went on to explain that all our new cars are up and running with the exception of one that is still having some GPS issues. IT is on it.

Trustee Guranovich asked if we were going to look into the Dodge Charger electric cars for future use, to which Deputy Chief explained that there are many factors to consider like run time and charge time that may not be what is best for a police department. He stated it would need more research.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Chairman Abbate moved the meeting along to discuss the request for speed signs in the South Barrington Green subdivision, specifically on Beechnut Dr. and Walnut Dr. The President of the HOA emailed Chief about the concerns, stating that the demographics have changed. They explained in the email that there are more families with kids in the neighborhood now as well as many residents who like to walk. Chief explained that he drove out there to see what signs they have and like most of our subdivisions, they have the majority of the signage just inside the entrance. The only other speed sign that they had was on the

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curve of Beechnut stating the speed is 15 MPH. The Committee discussed placing the speed trailer and/or traffic analyzers out to see if there is a need in the area first, and then follow up after the data has been reviewed.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Chairman Abbate asked if there was any other business to discuss. Hearing none, he proceeded with the rest of the agenda.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF NEEDED)**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Trustee Guranovich moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:00 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  
19 day of June, 2024



Chairman Joseph Abbate