

VILLAGE OF SOUTH BARRINGTON

30 South Barrington Road
South Barrington, IL 60010

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19, 2024

AT 3:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Abbate called the meeting to order at 3:02 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Chairman Joseph Abbate, Trustee Stephen Guranovich

Members Absent: Trustee Edgar Alvarado

Staff Present: Mayor Paul McCombie, Trustee Anthony Stagno, 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 April 17, 2024. Seconded by Chairman Abbate. **Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.**

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Abbate invited members of the public to address the committee. Margaret Stagno spoke, giving a congratulations to Chief Roman on his upcoming retirement and to Deputy Chief Garrison on his upcoming promotion. Chairman Abbate then proceeded with the rest of the published agenda items.

OLD BUSINESS

Deputy Chief Garrison reiterated to the committee about the two Code Red messages that Chief Roman sent out this week. Vehicles were broken into and one car had been stolen, though recovered, Deputy Chief Garrison expressed the importance of removing valuables from vehicles and locking them. The majority of cases like this, keys were left in the vehicles. Chief Roman explained that when our officers go to recover a vehicle, most of the time, they are going into some not so nice neighborhoods where our officers are at more of a risk. Trustee Stagno stated his concern that residents are not taking this seriously enough. It was mentioned that we should have someone speak to the residents about ways to stay safe and keep their property safe from criminals. Chief Roman said we had something like this before; "Safer Foundation" had come out before to have a discussion. We will look into doing something like this again.

NEW BUSINESS

Deputy Chief Garrison gave an update to the committee on the fleet. Next Monday, two of our new explorers will have the graphics put on and then to the up fitter for all the other electronics to be installed. On July 9, the Axon cameras will be installed, followed by a train the trainer with Axon to be clear on how everything works.

Trustee Stagno asked what officers preferred for a squad, the hybrids or the gas cars. Deputy Chief explained there have been more issues and complaints with the hybrids. The only real positive is the fuel economy, however when other issues with the vehicles arise, the cost savings equal out. Chief Roman stated the hybrids are just not as reliable as the gas-powered vehicles.

OTHER BUSINESS

Chairman Abbate asked if there was any other business to discuss. Mayor McCombie brought up the issue of people outside of South Barrington, fishing in the private ponds. Deputy Chief Garrison is looking into solutions to prevent outsiders from coming onto private property.

Mayor McCombie also mentioned there is a business that wants to move into The Arboretum, requesting a liquor license. The business does simulated (VR) racing, but will not move in unless they can be approved for a liquor license. The committee discussed.

Mayor McCombie discussed another liquor license for the restaurants in The Arboretum to have carryout liquor sales. The committee discussed the positives as well as the potential risks.

Chairman Abbate mentioned Bacoa, a type of elder assistance/care company. He mentions this as there has been concern over an elderly resident in town that needs help. Deputy Chief Garrison and Chief Roman stated they would look into this.

Chairman Abbate also made a few statements of appreciation to Chief Roman as it pertains to his retirement.

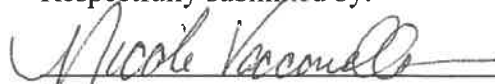
EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF NEEDED)

None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Trustee Guranovich moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:52 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
18 day of September, 2024



Chairman Joseph Abbate