

# **VILLAGE OF SOUTH BARRINGTON**

30 South Barrington Road  
South Barrington, IL 60010

## **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES**

WEDNESDAY, March 19, 2025

AT 1:30 P.M.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Abbate called the meeting to order at 1:34 P.M.

### **ROLL CALL**

Members Present: Chairman Joseph Abbate, Trustee Stephen Guranovich, Trustee Edgar Alvarado

Staff Present: Trustee Anthony Stagno, Police Chief Michael Garrison and Administrative Assistant Nicole Vaccarello

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Trustee Guranovich moved to approve the minutes of the Public Safety Committee for January 15, 2025. Seconded by Trustee Alvarado. **Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.**

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

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

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Chief Garrison gave the committee a personnel update.

Chief Garrison stated that we have one person in the academy, Carter Crokin, and he should be done in April. Sergeant Lynch is completing his training at Staff & Command.

Chief Garrison went on to say that we plan to do another police test sometime in April so that we can have a working list to work off of as required by our policy.

Chief Garrison also made mention of the bicycles that we have in the garage as discussed in the last meeting. Daniel checked the price on them, and they are only worth around \$100-\$150 each. They are 10-15 years old, so we are looking to sell them on govdeals.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Chief Garrison explained the plans to purchase some things for the police department using the money from the Illinois Public Risk Fund, which is a grant that we can use.

A) Vehicle Stop/Spike Strips, these are electronic. With the push of a button these spike strips can extend out and retract. This would help greatly with officer safety. The cost for 4 of these would be \$18,000. Trustee Guranovich made a motion to approve the purchase of these spike strips through the grant. Seconded by Trustee Alvarado. **Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.** Trustee Alvarado asked about StarChase and how many we have. Chief Garrison stated we have two right now and plan to get more later.

B) Forcible Entry Kits (Halligan Tool & Battering Ram) Chief Garrison explained that we currently do not have these tools for our officers to use if needed and with the kinds of things that our investigations department has been doing, these tools would be needed. The price of the prybar is

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\$294 and the battering ram is \$490. Trustee Guranovich made a motion to approve the purchase of the Halligan tool and battering ram through the grant. Seconded by Trustee Alvarado. **Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.**

- C) Push Bars for squad cars, installed by Ultra Strobe. We are looking to get two for now. Currently we do not have any. Having these push bars would allow officers to safely push disabled/damaged vehicles out of the roadway, avoiding damage to the police car as well as reducing damage to the other vehicle. The StarChase device can also be affixed to them. Trustee Guranovich made a motion to approve the purchase of the push bars through the grant. Seconded by Trustee Alvarado. **Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.**

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Chief Garrison spoke about some new training software through Frontline that we are looking into. This web-based software would allow us to better track the training of our officers and officers can track themselves as well as being updated on mandated training with reminders when training is close to expiring, track scheduled training and cancellations, and run reports with ease. The current system we have in place does not do any of this. Chief Garrison explained that there is one more demo from another company that we are also looking into. He explained the cost for this is \$1800/year and available in the budget. Trustee Guranovich made a motion to approve this software based on the Mayor's decision. Seconded by Trustee Alvarado. **Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF NEEDED)**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Trustee Guranovich moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:28 P.M. Trustee Alvarado seconded. **Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.**

Respectfully submitted by:



Nicole Vaccarello, Administrative  
Assistant to the Chief of Police

These minutes were approved this

29 day of May, 2025



Chairman Joseph Abbate

Chief of Police  
South Barrington Police Department



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