

# **VILLAGE OF SOUTH BARRINGTON**

30 South Barrington Road  
South Barrington, IL 60010

## **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Wednesday, September 17, 2025

AT 1:30 P.M.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Abbate called the meeting to order at 1:35 P.M.

### **ROLL CALL**

Members Present: Chairman Joseph Abbate, Trustee Hina Patel (arrived at 1:45 P.M.) and Trustee Stephen Guranovich

Staff Present: Mayor Paula McCombie, 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 July 16, 2025. Seconded by Trustee Abbate. **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 stated the detectives are finishing up the background on the person we selected for the records position, and it should be completed soon.

Chief Garrison went on to explain that we recently interviewed 3 candidates for our open police officer position. One of those candidates was from our eligibility list. The eligibility list is now depleted and 2 of the interviewed candidates will be moving on.

Chief Garrison explained that Carter Crokin resigned and that is the open spot we are trying to fill.

Chief Garrison also stated that with the Eligibility List now completely exhausted, we will need to set up for another test to establish a new list.

Chief Garrison went on to state that we will be getting a Knox Box for the purpose of being able to have the Fire Department or other police agencies enter the building to assist our department in case of an emergency. We are still looking into the kind we want.

Lastly, Chief Garrison gave the committee a list with the most updated mileage on our squad cars. He said, for now we are in good shape. Two of the squads have higher mileage but are still in good working condition. The big repairs we have had recently were covered by an extended warranty that the previous Chief made sure was in place. Chief Garrison stated we may want to have money in the budget should we need another squad in the next year. He also explained it would be a good idea to be on the order list, since the newer cars are a year out from delivery. This way a new squad car is available if we need it.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Chairman Abbate moved the committee onto the next portion of the agenda.

Chief Garrison explained to the committee that QuadCom costs will be going up in May 2026 by 32%. QuadCom plans to create some new positions to assist their IT and the administration team. It will be approximately a \$70 thousand dollar increase for us. Costs are based on calls for service so that it is divided up fairly among the QuadCom divisions. Chief Garrison also stated he would like to see Barrington Countryside Fire Department as well as Gilberts Police Department and Rutland Fire Department part of the QuadCom group one day too.

Chief Garrison went on to talk about RTIC (Real Time Investigation Center) which we may be able to use our JETS (Joint Emergency Telephone Systems) Funding for. RTIC uses technology like CCTV, Drones, Slack and APLR cameras to monitor 24/7, investigate and assist emergency services in real-time. This program is still in discussions.

Chief Garrison then discussed creating an ordinance for Truck Safety Stickers. He explained that certain trucks are required to pass an annual safety inspection. When they pass the inspection, they receive a sticker. If an officer pulls a truck over for being overweight, we give them a ticket. However, if they also do not have the sticker, we can give them a local ordinance ticket as well for a fine up to \$250. Mayor McCombie suggested the committee bring it to the board.

Trustee Guranovich made a motion to bring to the board, adding an ordinance for truck safety stickers. Seconded by Trustee Patel. **Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.**

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Chief Garrison made mention of our Organized Retail Crime Grant, stating we received \$27,300.00. Of that money, \$12,000 is going to our APLR cameras, \$300 for training, \$5,000 for officer overtime and \$10,000 for contractual needs.

Chairman Abbate asked if we could put the speed trailer on Witt Rd, explaining he's noticed an uptick in speeders. Trustee Patel said the same thing for Penny Rd. Chief Garrison said he would mention it to the Sergeant in charge of the speed trailer.

The committee also had some discussions about the e-bikes and how dangerous they are after a 16-year-old lost his life on one earlier this week in Arlington Heights.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF NEEDED)**

None.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Trustee Patel moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:39 P.M. Trustee Guranovich 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 November, 2025



Chairman Joseph Abbate