



## **VILLAGE OF SOUTH BARRINGTON**

30 South Barrington Road  
South Barrington, IL 60010

### **PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2025**

**AT 1:00 p.m.**

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Abbate called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Present:	Chairman Abbate	Absent:	Trustee Zierk
	Trustee Kazi		

Board Members Present: Mayor McCombie, Trustee Guranovich, and Trustee Stagno

Staff present: Mike Dropka, Village Administrator, Damian Michalski, Building Officer, Makayla Terfehn, Executive Assistant, Ryan Murphy, Public Works / Code Compliance, Carissa Smith, Village Engineer Gewalt Hamilton Associates, Jim Baxa, Gewalt Hamilton Associates

Others present: Thano Koulourianos, TCL Electrical and Lighting

#### **MINUTES**

Motion was made by Trustee Kazi to approve the minutes from the September 30, 2025, meeting. Seconded by Chairman Abbate. On a voice vote, the motion was approved unanimously.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

#### **AGENDA ITEMS**

- 1) Administrator Dropka reported on the additional information that was researched for the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC) Household Hazardous Waste At-Home Collection Services Program. Executive Assistant Makayla Terfehn highlighted the details of the additional survey results that were received, and which Homeowners Associations

responded to the survey. After some discussion, there was unanimous consent among the committee to hold on to the information for further review at an undisclosed future time.

### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor McCombie led a general discussion regarding economic development, opportunity parcels in the village, projects being worked on by the Village's Strategic Futures Consultant (economic development), and the projects being worked on by the Village's Attorney.

Mayor McCombie provided details of an event that she recently attended that spoke about the necessity of communities supporting each other.

### **STAFF REPORTS**

Building Officer Michalski introduced Thano Koulourianos from TCL Electrical and Lighting, who provided a synopsis of his proposal for transitioning the lights in the village hall from fluorescent to LED. There was unanimous consent among the committee to wait for new incentives from ComEd which will be announced in early December, and to bring the new proposal with the incentives to the next committee meeting for further review.

Building Officer Michalski provided an update regarding the roof. He reported that the village has re-opened an insurance claim on the roof based on this committee's prior directives. Discussion ensued and updated information will be brought to the next committee meeting for further review.

Building Officer Michalski explained that the concrete stairs and front entrance to the village hall might need to be replaced. After some discussion, there was unanimous consent among the committee to direct staff to take further action, and to bring the results to the next committee meeting for further review.

Building Officer Michalski reported on the door system, and the failures happening with the locking mechanisms. After some discussion, there was unanimous consent among the committee to direct staff to take further action, and to bring the results to the next committee meeting for further review.

Ryan Murphy, Public Works / Code Compliance reported on a number of outstanding community projects and provided details on their status. Discussion ensued, and Ryan answered further questions that the committee had.

Jim Baxa, Gewalt Hamilton Associates presented the bids received for the 2025 Parkway Tree Pruning Program. Discussion ensued, and Jim answered further questions that the committee had.

Chairman Abbate called for a motion to send the village engineer's recommendation to the Village Board with recommended approval. Motion was made by Trustee Kazi, seconded by Chairman Abbate. On a voice vote, the motion was approved unanimously.

Carissa Smith, Village Engineer Gewalt Hamilton Associates presented the 2026 Road Program proposal. Discussion ensued, and Carissa answered further questions that the committee had.

Administrator Dropka reported on the status of the Barrington Road Widening Project. Discussion ensued, and Administrator Dropka answered further questions that the committee had.

Building Officer Michalski reported on a situation that came up regarding the Hoffman Estates Animal Hospital and possible future development. Carissa Smith, Village Engineer Gewalt Hamilton Associates reported on the status of the FOIA that was submitted to Cook County for information on Old Barrington Road. Discussion ensued, and Building Officer Michalski answered further questions that the committee had.

Administrator Dropka provided an update on the status of the GIGO and OSLAD Grants that the village applied for to enhance the Conservancy and assist with funding for the Conservancy Master Plan. A general discussion took place regarding the ongoing project, and a timeline for next steps.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Trustee Guranovich brought up the location of certain Welcome to South Barrington Monument Signs, and necessary relocation due to misplacement.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

A general discussion took place regarding construction and developments in various subdivisions.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

At 3:45 p.m., Chairman Abbate called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was made by Trustee Kazi. Seconded by Chairman Abbate. On a voice vote, the motion was approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Mike Dropka, Village Administrator

These minutes were approved this

17<sup>th</sup> Day of December 2025