



VILLAGE OF SOUTH BARRINGTON
30 South Barrington Road
South Barrington, IL 60010

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2025

AT 1:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Abbate called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present:	Chairman Abbate	Absent:	Trustee Kazi
	Trustee Zierk		

Board Members Present: Mayor McCombie

Staff present: Mike Dropka, Village Administrator, Makayla Terfehn, Executive Assistant, and Ryan Murphy, Public Works / Code Compliance

Others present: Jason Doland, Doland Engineering

MINUTES

Motion was made by Chairman Abbate to approve the minutes from the November 5, 2025, meeting. Seconded by Trustee Zierk. On a voice vote, the motion was approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

AGENDA ITEMS

- 1) Jason Doland, Doland Engineering presented detailed information to the committee on the FY2026 Road Program, and a preliminary cost estimate for the work. Discussion ensued, and Jason answered further questions that the committee had.
- 2) Ryan Murphy, Public Works / Code Compliance provided a synopsis on the section in the Village of South Barrington Municipal Code regarding Home Occupations. He further

explained the rationale behind why the committee should consider making some changes. Discussion ensued, and Ryan answered further questions that the committee had. There was unanimous consent among the committee to have the Village Board consider referring a new ordinance to the Plan Commission / Zoning Board of Appeals.

3) Makayla Terfehn, Executive Assistant 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.

MAYOR'S REPORT

No report.

STAFF REPORTS

Administrator Dropka updated the committee on the decision to wait for new incentives from ComEd to be announced, then ask for a new proposal with the incentives to be brought to the next committee meeting for further review.

Administrator Dropka 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. There was further discussion regarding the most recent incident concerning the roof over Rose Hall.

Administrator Dropka provided a reminder on the concrete stairs and front entrance to the village hall might need to be replaced. 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.

Ryan Murphy, Public Works / Code Compliance provided an update on the 2025 Parkway Tree Pruning Program. Communication with the contractor has been ongoing, and we will continue to communicate the contractor's activities with the residents for planning purposes. Discussion ensued, and Ryan answered further questions that the committee had.

Administrator Dropka provided an update regarding the Hoffman Estates Animal Hospital and possible future development. Carissa Smith, Village Engineer Gewalt Hamilton Associates submitted a FOIA request to Cook County for information on Old Barrington Road. The results provided information regarding a court case. Discussion ensued, and Administrator Dropka answered further questions that the committee had. 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.

Administrator Dropka reported on the status of the Barrington Road Widening Project. Discussion ensued, and Administrator Dropka 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

Mayor McCombie provided details of an event that she recently attended that highlighted the cooperation between the Village of South Barrington and the cricket community.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

At 2:45 p.m., Chairman Abbate called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was made by Trustee Zierk. Seconded by Chairman Abbate. On a voice vote, the motion was approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Mike Dropka, Village Administrator

These minutes were approved this
20th Day of January 2026