SOUTH
BARRINGTON
30 South Barrington Road
South Barrington, IL 60010



PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MINUTES

Tuesday, July 21, 2026, at 2:00pm

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Abbate called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Chairman Abbate, Trustee Kazi
Absent: Trustee Zierk

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

Staff present: Mike Dropka, Village Administrator and Damian Michalski, Building Officer, and Ryan Murphy, Public Works / Code Compliance

Others present: None

MINUTES

Motion was made by Trustee Kazi to approve the minutes from the May 26, 2026, meeting. Seconded by Chairman Abbate. On a voice vote, the motion was approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT / QUESTIONS

None.

AGENDA ITEMS

1) Building Officer Michalski led a general discussion on the Windemere Subdivision and provided the committee with follow-up information to consider from discussions at a previous committee and subsequent village board meeting. Building Officer Michalski also provided a high-level review on the repair work performed on the cross culvert at Windemere and Avon Lanes in the Windemere Subdivision. Discussion ensued, and Building Officer Michalski answered further questions that the committee had.

2) Administrator Dropka provided details on the sewer televising and cleaning schedule that Jason Fowler from Sheaffer & Roland Inc. has proposed. Per the recommendation from the previous committee meeting, an RFP for the project was developed, and bids are due on August 3, 2026. Approval to act on one of the bids from the Village Board is anticipated at the August 13, 2026 meeting, with the work to be completed in the late summer. Discussion ensued, and Administrator Dropka answered further questions that the committee had.

3) Administrator Dropka reported on multiple issues surrounding the Nathan's Glen Subdivision impacting the current residents, and the actions that have since been taken to assist in attempting to mitigate the situation. Additionally, Building Officer Michalski provided a high-level review of the flooding issue at 306 Algonquin Road, relating to what is believed to be an issue stemming in the Nathan's Glen Subdivision. Discussion ensued, and Administrator Dropka and Building Officer Michalski 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 if necessary.

4) Administrator Dropka and Mayor McCombie presented a quote from Gewalt Hamilton Associates, Inc. regarding more work needing to be performed on the Studio Drive Plat of Dedication. Mayor McCombie explained the rationale behind needing further detailed information from Gewalt Hamilton on titles and easements in the general area, and the reasoning for the services requested. Discussion ensued, and Mayor McCombie answered further questions that the committee had.

   Chairman Abbate called for a motion to send the proposal as presented 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.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor McCombie led a general discussion on different leasing opportunities that are interested in space within the Arboretum.

Mayor McCombie provided a status update regarding the ongoing discussions and negotiations taking place with Toll Brothers and the closeout of the Woods Subdivision project. Discussion ensued and Mayor McCombie answered questions that were posed.

Mayor McCombie reminded trustees who were present and those in attendance of an upcoming Special Board Meeting taking place on Monday, July 27, 2026, at 4:00 pm.

STAFF REPORTS

Building Officer Michalski provided an update regarding the roof. He reported that the village is still in communication with the insurance company regarding our claim. Discussion ensued and updated information will be brought to the next committee meeting for further review.

Building Officer Michalski provided a reminder that the concrete stairs and front entrance to the village hall might need to be replaced. He will look for estimates to repair the concrete. Discussion ensued and updated information will be brought to the next committee meeting for further review.

Building Officer Michalski will further investigate the need to address the parking lot, and possible maintenance. Discussion ensued and updated information will be brought to the next committee meeting for further review.

Building Officer Michalski reported on the proposed Village Hall Bridge Repairs that would assist with preventing further concrete erosion and overall drainage improvements. Discussion ensued and Building Officer Michalski answered further questions that the committee had.

Chairman Abbate called for a motion to send the proposal as presented to the Village Board with recommended approval. Motion was made by Chairman Abbate, seconded by Trustee Kazi. On a voice vote, the motion was approved unanimously.

There was a general discussion regarding the Conservancy Committee and Conservancy Master Plan as adopted by the village. Timeframes on the project, and the roadmap to implementing the Master Plan were reviewed. Discussion ensued, and Administrator Dropka answered questions that were posed

Administrator Dropka highlighted the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Annual Facilities Report for the committee to review.

Administrator Dropka reported on the status of the Barrington Road Widening Project, and the regular updates on the topic found in the weekly Mayor's Message. Discussion ensued, and Administrator Dropka answered further questions that the committee had.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor McCombie mentioned the possibility of organizing an ice cream social, and general interest in an event. Discussion ensued.

ADJOURNMENT

At 3:23 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

20th Day of October, 2026