

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF SOUTH BARRINGTON
Wednesday, April 29, 2009 7:30 p.m.
South Barrington Village Hall 30 S. Barrington Road South Barrington, IL

CALL TO ORDER

President Munao called the special board meeting to order at 7:36 p.m. Clerk Wood called roll:

Present: President: Frank Munao, Jr.

Trustees: Joseph Abbate, Steve Guranovich, Paula McCombie, William Merci,
Anthony Navitsky, Mary Pecora

A quorum was present.

Also present were Village Administrator David Pierce, Village Engineer Mark Lattner, Police Chief Michael Deegan, Deputy Police Chief Ray Cordell, and Village Attorney Donald Storino.

President Munao provided copies of the Cook County Department of Public Health's recent report on Swine Flu, and invited anyone in the audience to take a report home if interested.

WARRANTS AND VILLAGE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**MOTION to APPROVE WARRANT RUN #1 IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$ 23,320.74** was made by Trustee Navitsky.

SECONDED by Trustee Abbate.

There was no further discussion.

Roll call was taken:

AYES: Abbate, Guranovich, McCombie, Merci, Navitsky, Pecora

NAYS: (None)

ABSTAIN: (None)

ABSENT: (None)

Motion carried.

President Munao asked if any residents wanted to address the Board.

Resident Gary Anton, Spring Creek Homeowner's President and former Trustee, addressed the Board on the need to increase the police force. He noted that he has talked to other residents who agree and urged the Board to act soon.

Resident Sharon Cohn, Treasurer of Easting's Mere HOA noted that she was present along with the president of the HOA. She expressed their concerns about the need to increase the police force, and asked the Board not to put the citizens or officers at risk. She asked what residents could do; President Munao suggested a neighborhood watch program. She asked what residents could do to increase staffing; President Munao stated that he would welcome a dialog with residents and the Police Chief.

RESOLUTION R-2009-949 Resolution Concurring in the Appointment of Therese Cohen as Chairperson of the South Barrington Police Commission

**MOTION to CONCUR IN THE APPOINTMENT OF THERESE COHEN
AS CHAIR OF POLICE COMMISSION** was made by Trustee Pecora.

SECONDED by Trustee McCombie.

There was no further discussion.

Roll call was taken:

AYES: Abbate, Guranovich, McCombie, Merci, Navitsky, Pecora

NAYS: (None)

ABSTAIN: (None)

ABSENT: (None)

Motion carried.

President Munao identified Therese Cohen in the audience and thanked her for her service to the Village.

Trustee Guranovich commended David Shotts for his leadership of the Police Commission. He expressed concern that the commission would now be short on experience and asked Gary Anton to rethink his resignation from the Police Commission. Trustee Guranovich also announced his commitment to review staffing levels for the Police Department.

RESOLUTION R-2009-950 Resolution Concurring in the Issuance of Conditional Letters of Employment for Part-Time Police Officers (Rios, Lietz, Davis, Reznick)

MOTION to CONCUR IN ISSUING CONDITIONAL LETTERS OF EMPLOYMENT FOR PART-TIME POLICE OFFICERS was made by Trustee Abbate.

SECONDED by Trustee Guranovich.

There was no further discussion.

Roll call was taken:

AYES: Abbate, Guranovich, McCombie, Merci, Navitsky, Pecora

NAYS: (None)

ABSTAIN: (None)

ABSENT: (None)

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION R-2009-951 Resolution Approving the Hiring of Full-Time Police Officer (Jason Axelrod)

MOTION to CONCUR IN HIRING FULL-TIME POLICE OFFICER was made by Trustee Abbate.

SECONDED by Trustee Pecora.

There was no further discussion.

Roll call was taken:

AYES: Abbate, Guranovich, McCombie, Merci, Navitsky, Pecora

NAYS: (None)

ABSTAIN: (None)

ABSENT: (None)

Motion carried.

ELECTION RESULTS

President Munao presented the election results as prepared by the Cook County Canvass Board of Elections. The results show Frank J. Munao, Jr. elected Village President, Donna Wood elected Village Clerk, and Joseph Abbate, Paula McCombie and Richard Wokoun elected as Village Trustees. He then asked Judge Storino to install the officers.

Judge Storino gave a brief background of his history with the Village, and commended the dedication of the elected officials. He pointed out that the mayor and trustees receive

no compensation. He then swore in President Munao, Clerk Wood, Trustee Abbate, Trustee McCombie, and Trustee Wokoun, and the audience applauded each new officer.

Judge Storino also commended retiring Trustee William Merci for is invaluable service to the Village, including his work on the Board, Architectural Control Commission, The Woods Architectural Review and The Conservancy Commission. The audience and Board applauded Trustee Merci. President Munao added his deep appreciation to Bill Merci for all he has done for the Village, exemplary in everything, and always there when needed. Trustee Merci thanked the Board for the privilege and experience of working with them, and congratulated the newly elected Trustee Wokoun.

RESOLUTION R-2009-952 Resolution Appointing Chairperson and Members of Standing Committees

MOTION to APPOINT CHAIRMEN AND MEMBERS OF STANDING COMMITTEES was made by Trustee Abbate.

SECONDED by Trustee Guranovich.

There was no further discussion.

Roll call was taken:

AYES: Abbate, Guranovich, McCombie, Navitsky, Pecora, Wokoun

NAYS: (None)

ABSTAIN: (None)

ABSENT: (None)

Motion carried.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Munao commented that recently, as in past administrations, there have been disrespectful, uncivil and vindictive comments. Intolerance and anger have been the responses to simple differences of opinion. Recently, even the staff have been victims of insults. As an example, he corrected the comment that certain staff need to fear for their jobs, and took the opportunity to publicly state his full confidence in the Police Chiefs. He noted that such ill behavior will no longer be tolerated in the new term of office that starts today. He asked the audience to join in friendship for coffee and cake, prepared by Ruth Abbate, in honor of the newly elected officers.

Trustee McCombie asked that Public Safety address a police staffing study.

Trustee Navitsky added that Finance will look for funds if more staff or equipment is justified. He asked Public Safety to help find a new Police Commissioner.

Gary Anton was asked to reconsider his resignation from the Police Commission.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION to ADJOURN was made by Trustee Abbate.

SECONDED by Trustee Guranovich.

There was no further discussion.

By unanimous voice vote, the motion carried; the meeting was adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Donna W. Wood, Village Clerk

These minutes were approved this
_____ Day of _____, 2009.