

# VILLAGE OF BARRINGTON HILLS

Minutes of the Regular Meeting July 26, 2010

President Abboud called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. Roll Call

## Present

Robert G. Abboud, President  
Fritz H. Gohl, President Pro Tem  
Walter E. Smithe, Trustee  
Beth Mallen, Trustee  
Joseph S. Messer, Trustee  
Elaine M. Ramesh, Trustee

Michael N. Murphy, Police Chief  
Robert Kosin, Director of Administration  
George Lynch, Village Attorney  
Marlene Mugavero, Recording Secretary

Absent – Steven E. Knoop, Trustee

Trustee Gohl motioned to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss pending litigation, matters of personnel and police at 6:35 p.m. Trustee Smithe seconded. Roll Call.

Ayes: 6 (Messer, Ramesh, Mallen, Smithe, Gohl, Abboud)

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 (Knoop)

## Guests

Jonathan Knight, resident  
Dan Strahan, Village Engineer  
Nancy Schumm Burgess

**Meeting Adjourned**

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

## **PUBLIC SESSION**

President Abboud called the Public Meeting to order at 8:09 p.m.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Trustee Mallen motioned to approve the minutes of June 28<sup>th</sup> with corrections. All present said Aye, with Trustee Gohl abstaining.

**Motion Approved**

Trustee Ramesh motioned to approve the minutes of the Executive Session of June 28<sup>th</sup> with corrections. Trustee Mallen seconded. All present said Aye, with Trustee Gohl abstaining.

**Motion Approved**

Trustee Ramesh motioned to approve disposal of the Executive Meeting recordings of October 27, 2008. Trustee Smite seconded. All present said Aye.

**Motion Approved**

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Nancy Schumm Burgess from the Spring Creek Watershed Partnership came before the Board seeking a letter of support from the Village for involvement in this new partnership. She mentioned other Villages in the area that were currently participating. President Abboud said he would draft a letter indicating that the Board has heard this issue, has substantial interest in proceeding forward, and that the topic will be placed on next month's Village Board agenda.

## **FINANCE – Walter E. Smithe**

Trustee Smithe motioned to accept the Treasurer's Report for June 2010. Trustee Mallen seconded. All present said Aye.

**Motion Approved**

Trustee Smithe motioned to accept the monthly Police Pension Board Report. Trustee Mallen seconded. All present voted Aye.

**Motion Approved**

Trustee Smithe made the motion to accept the Overtime Report from June 16, through July 15, 2010 totaling \$7,193.50. Roll call.

Ayes: 6 (Messer, Ramesh, Mallen, Smithe, Gohl, Abboud)

Nays: 0 (none)

Absent: 1 (Knoop)

**Motion Approved**

Trustee Smithe motioned to approve the bills for the month of June 2010, totaling \$229,584.25. Trustee Mallen seconded. Roll call.

Ayes: 6 (Messer, Ramesh, Mallen, Smithe, Gohl, Abboud)

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 (Knoop)

**Motion Approved**

Trustee Smithe said a pre-budget packet will be distributed at next month's meeting regarding preliminary budget planning. He emphasized the importance of frugality.

## **ROADS & BRIDGES – Elaine M. Ramesh**

Trustee Ramesh presented the monthly report. She advised that there had been a delay in the resurfacing program due to a strike which has since been resolved. Dan Strahan said IDOT approved the 3 week extension of the completion date.

Trustee Ramesh made the motion to approve Resolution 10-12 regarding the Kennedy Road Scenic Easement. Trustee Smith seconded. All present said Aye.

### **Resolution 10-12 Approved**

Trustee Smithe made the motion to approve Resolution 10-13 regarding the Smith Road Conservation Easement. Trustee Mallen seconded. All present said Aye.

### **Resolution 10-13 Approved**

Trustee Ramesh advised that three bids had been received for roadway striping. President Abboud and Trustee Ramesh will set up a meeting with Cuba Township with regard to Snow Contract and culvert clean out project.

With the recommendation of the Village Engineer, Trustee Ramesh made the motion to accept the bid from Marking Specialists to complete road striping within the Village. Trustee Smithe seconded. Roll Call.

Ayes: 6 (Messer, Ramesh, Mallen, Smithe, Gohl, Abboud)  
Nays: 0  
Absent: 1 (Knoop)

### **Motion Approved**

## **PUBLIC SAFETY – Fritz Gohl**

Trustee Gohl presented the monthly report.

Trustee Gohl advised that the Communications Committee had completed a Welcome information brochure which would be distributed to new residents and be available at the Village Hall. He also advised that the Village Newsletter would be ready September 1<sup>st</sup>.

## **BUILDING AND ZONING - Joseph S. Messer**

Trustee Messer reported that nine building permits had been issued in the past month bringing the total year to date to 29.

Trustee Messer advised of a ZBA meeting held the previous week at the Village Hall, with 42 in attendance in the room and an additional 16 in the hall. The ZBA conducted a continuation of their Lighting Ordinance review. Chairman Knight asked President Abboud what the ruling was as far as allowing recordings, videos, signage and handouts

at the meetings. Attorney Lynch was asked to look into that matter and report back to the Board.

The ZBA will hold a meeting August 16<sup>th</sup> exclusively addressing the Lighting Ordinance draft. If not completed, it will be the first item on the agenda for their August 18<sup>th</sup> meeting which will also may include discussion on the boarding issue.

**PLANNING – Steven E. Knoop**

At the July Plan Commission Meeting, Village Engineer Daniel Strahan began presentation of stormwater management regulations. The Commission was asked to review Lake County's plan and make their recommendations to the Board about implementing those regulations at the Village level. President Abboud also asked for a summary of the Northwest Groundwater Group and report. The Plan Commission's next meeting will be on September 13<sup>th</sup>.

**INSURANCE – Walter E. Smithe**

No report.

**HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT, BUILDINGS & GROUNDS – BETH MALLEN**

Trustee Mallen reported that the Board of Health did not meet this month due to lack of a quorum.

Solid Waste Management Report - There is no report this month.

AT&T Easement – Trustee Mallen made the motion to authorize execution of the AT&T easement agreement covered in Resolution 10-14. Trustee Gohl seconded. All present voted Aye.

**Resolution 10-14 Approved**

**ATTORNEY – George Lynch**

No report

**ADMINISTRATION – Robert G. Abboud**

Appointments – Trustee Smith made the motion to appoint Lynn White as a returning member to the Pension Board. Trustee Messer seconded the motion. All present voted Aye.

**Motion Approved**

Trustee Mallen made the motion to approve the appointments of Patty Fahey and Chuck Prettyman to the Beautification Committee. Trustee Gohl seconded. All present voted Aye.

### **Motion Approved**

CN Mitigation Agreement – President Abboud emphasized the fact that Barrington Hills supports Barrington in their effort to address traffic issues within Barrington.

Trustee Smith made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Gohl, to approve Resolution 10-15 affirming traffic planning for grade separation by the Village of Barrington. Trustee Gohl seconded the motion. All present voted Aye.

### **Resolution 10-15 Approved**

Municipal Penalties – Attorney Kelly has proposed that the Board establish a “floor” for code penalties, as the current Ordinance only establishes a “not to exceed” amount. President Abboud proposed the Legal Committee should be address this issue.

Utility Franchise – Robert Kosin advised of two utility companies whose franchises are due for renewal, Nicor and Comcast. He said terms for such franchises are set out by governing bodies. President Abboud asked Trustee Gohl to work on the Nicor franchise, pointing out his concern about some homes in Barrington Hills not yet having gas hookups. Trustee Mallen also expressed concern with Comcast’s lack of uniformity with regard to hookup charges and with the consent of the President Abboud, designated to proceed with the discussion with Comcast.

Trustee Ramesh made the recommendation that all Board Members be assigned to one of the four Counties within the Village, which would include checking on their websites and attending meetings, in order for the Village to be fully informed about County activities.

Trustee Gohl motioned to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss the ascension of Executive Minutes at 9:45 p.m. Trustee Messer seconded. Roll Call

Ayes: 6 (Messer, Ramesh, Mallen, Smithe, Gohl, Abboud)  
Nays: 0 (none)  
Absent: 1 (Knoop)

### **Meeting Adjourned**

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

#### **PUBLIC SESSION**

President Abboud re-opened the Public Meeting at 10:10 p.m.

Ascension of Executive Minutes - Trustee Gohl made the motion to approve ascension of the Executive Minutes as recommended by the Village Attorney. Executive Meeting Minutes are protected under Illinois state law, but must be examined every six months

and made public when legal action has been completed and/or personnel issues have been resolved. Trustee Mallen seconded. Roll Call.

Ayes: 6 (Messer, Ramesh, Mallen, Smithe, Gohl, Abboud)

Nays: 0 (none)

Absent: 1 (Knoop)

**Motion Approved**

Trustee Gohl motioned to adjourn the Public Session at 10:44 p.m. Trustee Messer seconded. All present said Aye.

**Meeting Adjourned**

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**Approved**