

These minutes are merely a summary and an attempt to reference comments that took place on the Board.

VILLAGE OF BARRINGTON HILLS

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Trustees  
Thursday, December 18, 2014

President McLaughlin called the Meeting to order at 6:40 p.m. Roll Call.

Present

Martin J. McLaughlin, President  
Fritz H. Gohl, President Pro Tem  
Joseph S. Messer, Trustee  
Karen S. Selman, Trustee  
Patty Meroni, Trustee  
Colleen Konicek, Trustee  
Michael Harrington, Trustee

Rich Semelsberger, Acting Chief  
Joseph Colditz, Deputy Chief  
Patrick Bond, Temporary Village Attorney  
Robert Kosin, Village Administrator  
Anna Paul, Deputy Village Clerk

Guests

Leslie Coolidge, resident  
Linda Cools, resident  
Mary Naumann, resident  
Lou Flannery, resident  
Anne Majewski, resident  
Ashley Duewel, resident  
Jim O'Donnell, resident  
Arnold Cernik, resident  
Jim Hammond, resident  
Rick Judd, resident  
Barbara Kemp, resident  
David Stieper, resident  
P. Denise Israel, resident  
Kevin Colosia, resident  
George Moser, resident  
Eric Babcock, dispatch  
Kim Roel, dispatch  
Brian Cecola, resident  
Bryan Croll, resident  
Bonnie Duresa, resident  
Nicole Stricker, guest

**PUBLIC SESSION**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Public Comments were given by the following:

P. Denise Israel  
Barbara Kemp  
Eric Babcock  
Anne Majewski

Linda Cools  
Jim O'Donnell  
Davis Stieper  
Jonathan Knight

Nicole Stricker  
Bonnie Duresa  
Laurie Abboud

Audio on these comments can be located at the Village Web Site – [www.vbhil.gov](http://www.vbhil.gov). Any written comments handed to the Village Clerk will be posted as an attachment to the Agenda.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Trustee Selman motioned to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 20, 2014. Trustee Gohl seconded. All present said Aye.

**Motion Approved**

**FINANCE – Karen S. Selman**

Treasurer’s Report - Trustee Selman motioned to accept the Treasurer’s Report for November, 2014. Trustee Meroni seconded. All present said Aye.

**Motion Approved**

Police Pension Board Report - Trustee Selman motioned to accept the Police Pension Board Report for November, 2014. Trustee Harrington seconded. All present said Aye.

**Motion Approved**

Overtime Reports - Trustee Selman made the motion to approve the Overtime Report from November 16, 2014 through December 15, 2014 totaling \$10,147.57. Trustee Messer seconded. Roll Call.

Ayes: 7 (Harrington, Konicek, Selman, Meroni, Messer, Gohl, McLaughlin)  
Nays: 0  
Absent: 0

**Motion Approved**

Bills for Approval - Trustee Selman motioned to approve the bills for the month of November 16, 2014 to December 15, 2014, totaling \$605,098.20. Trustee Konicek seconded. Roll Call.

Ayes: 2 (Konicek, McLaughlin)  
Nays: 5 (Harrington, Selman, Meroni, Messer, Gohl)  
Absent: 0

**Motion Denied**

Trustee Harrington motioned to pay the bills for the month of November except the Bond Dickson bills with the exception of invoice #14483 which should be paid, but other Bond Dickson bills should not be paid. Trustee Meroni seconded. Roll Call.

Ayes: 5 (Harrington, Selman, Meroni, Messer, Gohl)  
Nays: 2 (Konicek, McLaughlin)  
Absent: 0

**Motion Approved**

2014 Levy Ordinance – Trustee Selman motioned to approve the 2014 Levy. Trustee Harrington seconded. Roll Call

Ayes: 7 (Harrington, Konicek, Selman, Meroni, Messer, Gohl, McLaughlin)

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

**Ordinance 14-20 Approved**

**ROADS & BRIDGES – Patty Meroni**

Monthly Report

2015 Meeting Schedule – The schedule for the Roads and Bridges meetings was approved for inclusion in the 2015 calendar.

2015 Drainage Program – Ten bids were received and the Village Engineer’s Office is recommending that we approve the bid from Copenhagen Construction with a base bid of \$92,571.50 and a bid of \$99,996.50 including the alternates. We had earlier included a cost of \$120,000.00 in the budget calculation.

Bid Recommendation 2015 Drainage Program Resolution – Trustee Meroni motioned to award the 2015 Drainage Program to Copenhagen Construction at a cost of \$99,996.50. Trustee Messer seconded. Roll Call.

Ayes: 7 (Harrington, Konicek, Selman, Meroni, Messer, Gohl, McLaughlin)

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

**Resolution 14-26 Approved**

2015 Road Program – The draft budget was discussed for inclusion in the budget approval for vote on December 18, 2014.

Village of Algonquin – Spring creek Road/Highland Avenue Project – Discussion was held on the plans submitted by the Village of Algonquin for roadway improvements indicated above and scheduled for 2016 construction.

LCDOT/Village of Barrington – Hart Road Project – The Village of Barrington voted to pay the cost of a sidewalk/multiuse path on the west side of Hart Road, including ongoing maintenance.

Cuba township Snow Plowing and Salt Costs – Further discussion was held on the upcoming snow season and the uncertainty of salt prices should we have an extreme winter like last year.

**PUBLIC SAFETY – Fritz H. Gohl**

Monthly Report – Trustee Gohl presented the monthly report which was included in the Board of Trustees meeting packet.

Dispatch Outsource Resolution – Trustee Messer motioned to accept the Dispatch Outsource Resolution. Trustee Meroni seconded.

Trustee Gohl stated that he has had two previous meetings on this subject, the first meeting had about five residents and a total of about fifteen people attending. The second meeting held on December 16<sup>th</sup>, had nine residents out of thirty two people attending. Tonight, we are voting on obtaining a membership to Quadcom. President McLaughlin stated that this resolution would provide the Village with the opportunity to make a reservation to join Quadcom in May of 2015.

President McLaughlin motioned to table this resolution. Trustee Meroni seconded.

President McLaughlin withdrew his motion to table this resolution. Trustee Selman seconded.

Trustee Harrington stated that his main concern is the employees, where we have this awkward period continuing where they are in limbo. In the private sector, we have some kind of incentive that keeps them focused and keeps them around until we can make the transition called Stay Bonuses.

President McLaughlin again made the motion to table this resolution. Trustee Meroni seconded. Roll Call.

Ayes: 7 (Harrington, Konicek, Selman, Meroni, Messer, Gohl, McLaughlin)

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

### **Resolution Tabled**

Surplus Property Ordinance - Trustee Gohl motioned to approve the Surplus Property Ordinance. Trustee Selman seconded. All present said Aye.

### **Ordinance 14-21 Approved**

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

Permit Report – Nine building permits were issued in November, 2014.

### Enforcement Report

261 Steeplechase Rd Update –Mortgagor (Koulouris) and lender (Chase Bank) have been served. Awaiting service to tenant (Saltourous). Since it may be impossible to serve tenant, Village Prosecutor will request court order waiving service requirement.

385 Spring Creek Road Update – Resident’s engineer advised topographic data collection will be conducted week of December 15<sup>th</sup> and after completion of existing conditions plan, he will contact Village engineer to discuss how to proceed.

ZBA Report – The Zoning Board of Appeals held Special Meetings on December 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> to discuss the Horse Boarding Ordinance Amendment. Their regular meeting of December 15<sup>th</sup> was cancelled.

170 Old Sutton Road Special Use Ordinance – Trustee Messer recused himself at 9:02 p.m. because his firm is representing the applicant. Trustee Selman motioned to approve this Amended Special Use Ordinance to allowing a Polo Field and In-Door Arena. Trustee Meroni seconded. Roll Call.

Ayes: 6 (Harrington, Konicek, Selman, Meroni, Gohl, McLaughlin)

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

Abstain: 1 (Messer)

### **Ordinance 14-22 Approved**

Trustee Messer explained that the following amendments are on the Agenda because anytime a text amendment comes up, it needs to go through the entire process starting with the ZBA. The ZBA recommended against these three amendments, but they gave their recommendations to the Board and the Board can override that recommendation and can vote the other way. The Board just needs to complete the process

Horse Boarding Text Amendment Ordinance – Drury – Trustee Messer motioned to adopt Ordinance 14-23, an Ordinance amending Title 5 Zoning Regulations set forth in Chapters 2, 3, and 10 regarding Horse Boarding, the Drury Text Amendment including the language set forth in that Ordinance. Trustee Gohl seconded.

President McLaughlin motioned to table this Ordinance for the reason that he believes that any decision from this Board to take up an issue between two active litigants, will place the Village in jeopardy. Trustee Konicek seconded. Roll Call.

Ayes: 2 (Konicek, McLaughlin)

Nays: 5 (Harrington Selman, Meroni, Messer Gohl)

Absent: 0

Abstain: 0

### **Motion Failed**

President McLaughlin stated that by tabling this, it would die on the vine and so by taking pro-active measures, the Board will be placing the Village in jeopardy by taking up an issue that should not be taken in the midst of active litigation between two parties to which the Village does not have an interest, but will be should we move in this direction. Again, a motion to table would have the same effect of not passing and would not put the Village in jeopardy.

Trustee Harrington asked Attorney Bond what his position is on whether or not a village government can take action that they believe is in the best interest of the village, irrespective of any sort of litigation that is taking place in this litigious world we live in.

Attorney Bond replied that as a Village Board you can always take any action that you believe collectively, is in the best interest of the residents of the Village of Barrington Hills.

Item brought forward a second time.

Horse Boarding Text Amendment Ordinance – Drury – Trustee Messer motioned to adopt Ordinance 14-23, an Ordinance amending Title 5 Zoning Regulations set forth in Chapters 2, 3, and 10 regarding Horse Boarding, the Drury Text Amendment including the language set forth in that Ordinance. Trustee Gohl seconded.

Ayes: 0

Nays: 5 (Harrington Selman, Meroni, Messer Gohl)

Absent: 0

Abstain: 2 (Konicek, McLaughlin)

**Motion Failed**

Horse Boarding Text Amendment Ordinance – Hammond – Trustee Messer motioned to adopt Ordinance 14-23, an Ordinance amending Title 5 Zoning Regulations set forth in Chapters 2, 3, and 10 regarding Horse Boarding, the Hammond Text Amendment including the language set forth in that Ordinance. Trustee Gohl seconded.

Ayes: 0

Nays: 5 (Harrington Selman, Meroni, Messer Gohl)

Absent: 0

Abstain: 2 (Konicek, McLaughlin)

**Motion Failed**

President McLaughlin motioned to amend this, to table this, for the reason that he believes that any decision from this Board to take up an issue between two active litigants, will place the Village in jeopardy. Trustee Konicek seconded. Roll Call.

Ayes: 2 (Konicek, McLaughlin)

Nays: 5 (Harrington Selman, Meroni, Messer Gohl)

Absent: 0

Abstain: 0

**Motion Failed**

Horse Boarding Text Amendment Ordinance – RCBH/Elder – Trustee Messer motioned to adopt Ordinance 14-23, an Ordinance amending Title 5 Zoning Regulations set forth in Chapters 2, 3, and 10 regarding Horse Boarding, the RCBH/Elder Text Amendment including the language set forth in that Ordinance. Trustee Gohl seconded.

Ayes: 0

Nays: 5 (Harrington Selman, Meroni, Messer Gohl)

Absent: 0

Abstain: 2 (Konicek, McLaughlin)

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Ayes: 2 (Konicek, McLaughlin)

Nays: 5 (Harrington Selman, Meroni, Messer Gohl)

Absent: 0

Abstain: 0

### **Motion Failed**

#### **PLANNING – Colleen Konicek**

Trustee Gohl recused himself because of statements he made at the Plan Commission meeting of December 8, 2014.

Plan Commission Appeal – 223 Westfield Way – This is a petition made by Mr. Hasan to the Plan Commission regarding a waiver to an agreement regarding Heritage Tree Ordinance. Mr. Hasan has a piece of property and when building on that property, a number of heritage trees were needed to be taken down. He put forth to the Village a plan and in accordance to the Heritage Tree Ordinance, we have a placement plan where the trees removed would be replaced in some manner. Mr. Hasan has now made a petition to the Plan Commission, that the number of trees that he had original agreed to, be reduced. This has gone through several hearings through the Plan Commission, there has been expert testimony by Arborists retained by Mr. Hasan and the Village. In the process, it was also determined that Mr. Hasan had taken down other heritage trees. After the hearings, testimony from the arborists, Mr. Hasan, interested parties that live along side of him, a ruling was made by the Plan Commission by a vote of 7 to 0, hereby recommends denial of Mr. Hasan's petition to waive portions of the Tree Preservation Ordinance and to adopt his recommended plan submitted for purposes and recommends that the Village require Petitioner to plant all of the trees as shown on the Doering Landscape Company Heritage Tree Replacement Plan including Ms. Pick's suggested planting locations for 11 additional 3" trees to replace the additional trees, which were removed as noted by the Village Arborist at his December 11, 2013 inspection.

President McLaughlin stated that he did meet with Mr. Hasan, the Chief Arborist in conjunction with the Chair of the Plan Commission at Mr. Hasan's request, trying to assist him in understanding that the arborists, the Plan Chair and the experts, that he should attempt to work as best as he could with them. The meeting lasted a very long time, but the meeting didn't seem to have any impact at getting the two parties together

Trustee Konicek felt that the recommendation of the Plan Commission should be accepted based on all of the factors stated and motioned to adopt the findings and recommendations of the Plan Commission and to deny the petitioner's waiver/appeal. Trustee Meroni seconded. Roll Call.

Ayes: 6 (Harrington, Konicek, Selman, Meroni, Messer, McLaughlin)

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

Abstain: 1 (Gohl)

### **Motion Approved**

#### **INSURANCE – Michael Harrington**

Monthly Report – Trustee Harrington summarized the Insurance Committee's recommendations which are included in the Board of Trustees' package.

#### **HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT, BUILDINGS & GROUNDS – Michael Harrington** Monthly Report

##### Building & Grounds Activity

Village Hall: Geary Electric completed miscellaneous repairs including installing separate circuits for MacArthur Room north wall outlets.

Fire Guard conducted semi-annual fire sprinkler system test on November 20<sup>th</sup> and passed.

Cintas completed the quarterly bathroom sanitizing on December 15<sup>th</sup>.

Level II water test was conducted this month through BACOG and results are expected in approximately four weeks.

Kipp Plumbing to complete the annual replacement of the in line water filters this week.

Village Hall Police Department – Installation completed on damaged quarry tiles in the lock up and the flooring in the men's and women's locker rooms.

Village Hall Grounds: Gewalt Hamilton Associates installed snow curb markers.

DuPage Lighting Service conducted the quarterly maintenance of the parking lot lights on December 15<sup>th</sup> and found no problems.

Board of Health – BOH met on Tuesday, December 9<sup>th</sup>. A regular schedule of ground water quality testing has been an item of discussion by the Board of Health for which its proposed to incorporate the statutory required test schedule of public wells in the Village. Specifically wells that supply potable water to a population group of 25 or more

unrelated individuals are required to undertake an annual inspection of water quality otherwise known as a Level I test. It is therefore proposed to use this schedule to cooperatively add a Level II test and thereby obtain a regularly reported table of values.

Lease Canon Large Format Scanner Resolution – Trustee Harrington motioned to approve the resolution of leasing the Cannon Large Format Scanner. Trustee Gohl seconded. Roll Call.

Ayes: 7 (Harrington, Konicek, Selman, Meroni, Messer, Gohl, McLaughlin)  
Nays: 0  
Absent: 0

**Resolution 14-27 Approved**

IGA with Park District – Lease/Purchase Tractor Resolution – Trustee Harrington motioned to approve the Barrington Hills Park District Lease/Purchase resolution with the Park District. Trustee Gohl seconded. Roll Call.

Ayes: 7 (Harrington, Konicek, Selman, Meroni, Messer, Gohl, McLaughlin)  
Nays: 0  
Absent: 0

**Resolution 14-28 Approved**

### **ATTORNEY – Temporary, Patrick Bond**

Pending Litigation – No report.

Pending OMA/FOIA Pack – No report.

### **ADMINISTRATION – President McLaughlin**

Collective Bargain Negotiations Report – Acting Chief Semelsberger stated that on December 8<sup>th</sup>, he and Attorney Clark and Bill Walsh met with Union Attorney Steve Calcaterra and Acting President Eric Stokes and we are hopeful that things are moving forward. The next scheduled meeting is for January 9<sup>th</sup>, February 2<sup>nd</sup> and February 16<sup>th</sup>.

Meeting Calendar 2015 Draft – President McLaughlin motioned to adopt the 2015 Annual Meeting Calendar. Trustee Meroni seconded. All present said Aye.

**Motion Approved**

BACOG Legislative Platform 2015 – President McLaughlin presented the BACOG Annual Report. Trustee Meroni motioned to approve the BACOG Legislative Platform 2015. Trustee Selman seconded. All present said Aye.

**Motion Approved**

LOA CUSD 220 – President McLaughlin presented a Letter of Agreement between District 220 and the Village of Barrington Hills. The School District is looking for an indication of what our Board would do as it relates to the purchase of Lot 4, which is on the corner of Hart Road and Lake Cook Road. Attorney Bond stated that the School District is wondering if the Village would be willing to consider an amendment to our IGA with Barrington to school related purposes, and if there are conditions that we would wish to impose such as lighted fields or parking lots. President McLaughlin motioned to include in the IGA non lighted athletic fields, building setbacks consistent with the IGA and Village Codes, limitation on lighted parking lots and supplemental parking be limited to use of what is on that property, not additional parking for the High School. Trustee Konicek seconded. Roll Call.

Aye: 6 (Harrington, Konicek, Selman, Meroni, Messer and President McLaughlin)  
Nay: 1 (Gohl)  
Absent: 0

**Motion Approved**

Appointment HEC – Johanna Svenson Croll – Trustee Konicek motioned to approve the appointment of Johanna Svenson Croll to the Heritage & Environs Committee. Trustee Gohl seconded. All present said Aye.

**Motion Approved**

Village Attorney Vote – President McLaughlin made a motion to nominate Bond – Dickson for permanent Village Counsel for the Village of Barrington Hills. Trustee Konicek seconded. Roll Call.

Aye: 2 (Konicek, McLaughlin)  
Nays: 5 (Harrington, Selman, Meroni, Messer, Gohl)  
Absent: 0

Chief Murphy Proclamation – President McLaughlin read into the record that the Village made a Proclamation for Chief Michael “Murf” Murphy Day to be May 15, 2015.

Trustee Gohl motioned to adjourn the second Public Session at 10:51 p.m. Trustee Meroni seconded. All present said Aye.

**Meeting Adjourned**

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