

**Southern View President and Board of Trustees  
Agenda for the Special Meeting**

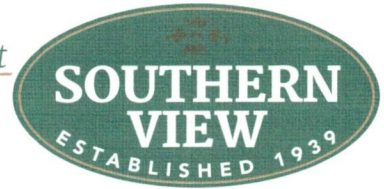
**Wednesday / September 4, 2024 / 6:00 p.m.**

- 1) CALL TO ORDER: Mike Patsche, Village President
- 2) ROLL CALL: Greg Bourland, Trustee  
Nate Briggs, Trustee  
Robert Eskew, Trustee  
Rebecca LaRussa, Trustee  
Betsy Richbark, Trustee  
Mike Tavernor, Trustee
- 3) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mike Patsche, Village President
- 4) CITIZEN REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:
- 5) OLD BUSINESS DISCUSSION:
- 6) NEW BUSINESS DISCUSSION:
  - a) Discussion and Approval of Design Plan for the Southern View Playground at the Park

President's Comments-

- 7) ADJOURNMENT:  
Any subject matter placed on the agenda, regardless of how the matter is stated on the agenda or where it is placed, may be acted upon by the President and Board of Trustees.

Posted: September 2, 2024 8:30 a.m.



## Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Village of Southern View Board

**CALL TO ORDER:** The Board of Trustees held A Special Meeting on Wednesday, September 4, 2024, at the Southern View Municipal Building, 3410 South Fifth Street, Southern View, Illinois. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.

**ROLL CALL:** The following were present:

Mike Patsche, President  
Greg Bourland, Trustee  
Nate Briggs, Trustee  
Robert Eskew, Trustee  
Rebecca LaRussa, Trustee  
Betsy Richbark, Trustee  
Mike Tavernor, Trustee

Also Present:  
Lisa Cave, Village Treasurer & Clerk

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**NEW BUSINESS:** President Patsche opened for discussion and approval of Design Plan for the Southern View Playground at the Park. President Patsche first stated thanks to Lisa Cave, who had worked on gaining a grant for the Playground Equipment for a few years. President Patsche also wanted to thank Senator Doris Turner and Representative Nikki Budinzski for their letters of recommendations. We could not have done it without them all. Kevin Kuhn, Village Engineer and Ryan Curtis provided to the Board the design plan. Kevin stated that they had a vendor that had told them \$35,000 for the site prep and then when we received the grant, they stated oh no we can't do it for that, it's over \$125,000. Kevin explained, we looked for a new vendor. The vendor now has drawn up the plans for the playground with the funding we have. The vendor Gametime has also applied for a grant within Gametime, and we have received \$65,000 off the price of the playground. The Gametime grant is only good through October 18, 2024. The Village will need to pick the colors. It would be more time consuming and costly to refurbish the swingset that is currently there. Gametime would not stand behind the refurbished swingset. Clerk Cave had asked is there a reason that we would have to remove the 2<sup>nd</sup> playground? Some residents had asked if that was possible? Trustee Briggs asked if we could purchase the rubber mulch? Trustee Bourland stated that it transfer the black to the children. Trustee Eskew stated the rubber gets hot. Ryan Curtis stated they are planning an engineered mulch. Rene from Gametime suggested a year later to order more engineered mulch to add after it has settled. Trustee Tavernor stated he feels the engineered mulch is the way to go. Kevin stated that they have cut the engineering fees to get the project done. Clerk Cave asked how much of the mulch costs to add a section of the engineered mulch if we moved the swingset. Trustee Briggs asked if we had placed the insurance claim from when someone had ran into the playground. President Patsche stated that we have turned it in and Trustee Eskew stated we are waiting for adjuster to come by. Discussion took place on moving the swingset plan to be diagonally of the two separate playground area. Trustee Eskew stated Public Works can remove the mulch in the second playground area. Ryan stated they can get a bid on the concrete curbing around the second playground area. Trustee LaRussa asked if the sails on top of the playground provide shade? Trustee LaRussa stated that she can see children climb up on the sails. Trustee Richbark asked why take it off? There are no trees

in the area and it adds to the look of the playground. Trustee Briggs asked if the Village could also purchase some columns or make some columns to protect the playground? President Patsche stated that Public Works could place some ballards to protect the playground near the parking lot. Trustee LaRussa asked how many colors would we get to choose? Ryan stated that he would get back in touch with Rene and see what other color options we have. It looks like there would be 3 colors to pick. Trustee Richbark stated that we need to accept this before the date so we can lock it in and we can pick the colors later?

Motion to approve Gametime's Design of the Playground at the Park with color changes to be decided at a later date, with the decision to keep the one playground if allowed by: Trustee Richbark and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee LaRussa  
Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE;

**MOTION PASSES.**

Trustee LaRussa also wanted to thank Lisa for obtaining the grant.

President Patsche also asked the schedule of the Trustees as there needs to be a meeting for the Flock Cameras. The Trustees have agreed to meet on September 9, 2024, at 6:00 pm to discuss the Flock Cameras.

**ADJOURNMENT:** With no further business, President Patsche asked for a motion to close the meeting at 6:45 pm. Motion was made by Trustee Bourland and 2nd by Trustee LaRussa.

**PREPARED BY:** Lisa Cave, Clerk

**DATE APPROVED:** September 24, 2024