



**Request to Consider Intergovernmental Agreement  
between the Barrington Hills Park District and  
The Village of Barrington Hills**

**Barrington Hills Park District requests feasibility exploration of Intergovernmental Agreement with the Village of Barrington Hills/Barrington Hills Police Department.**

**Reference:**

**Barrington Hills Park District Conduct Ordinance:**

<http://www.bhillsparkd.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/02/Ordinance-2-13-2017-01.pdf>

**Riding Center User Rules and Regulations:**

<http://www.bhillsparkd.org/ridingcenter/trainers/trainer-rules-and-regulations/>

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**Background:**

The Barrington Hills Park District passed a CONDUCT Ordinance on February 13, 2017. It is usual and customary for Park Districts to have such an Ordinance. As use of our Park District has increased, as has money designated for improvement and maintenance of the Riding



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Center, The Board of Commissioners considered passage of this Ordinance essential for prudent and harmonious operations of Park District facilities.

The Ordinance was developed through review and discussion of such Ordinances already in place at other Park Districts. We spent two years considering the Ordinance. Our attorneys at Tressler LLP advised us during the process and reviewed and approved the final product. In addition, we have an Advisory Committee of stakeholders that includes the Riding Club of Barrington Hills, The Fox River Valley Pony Club, and At Large members representing unaffiliated users of the Riding Center. This Committee was informed as the Ordinance was developed. Once the Ordinance was passed it has been announced in our newsletter to the general Park District public.

We planned on approaching the Village of Barrington Hills for assistance with enforcement. It is not practical or financially responsible to our tax payers to employ our own security or police. However, to be responsible, we do need a defined enforcement plan. We are hoping to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement whereby the Barrington Hills Police Department would provide enforcement. I have talked with Chief Semelsberger who confirms there has been virtually no call for police at Park District facilities in the past. We discussed various scenarios that could require back up from Police and I anticipate this to occur extremely rarely, possibly never. However, a Conduct Ordinance cannot be effective without an enforcement piece.



Chief Semelsberger and I also discussed some details regarding procedures and costs which we agreed would be fully defined as an Agreement would be developed.

**Timeline:**

The Park District would hope to complete the Agreement by November 1, 2017.