



Your VOTE Counts!

VOTE: Tuesday, April 6, 2021

Village President - Brian Cecola

Village Trustee - David Riff, Tom Strauss, & Laura Ekstrom

AS “*ONE BARRINGTON HILLS*” Candidates we prefer to present the positive record of the last eight years – but when challenged by our opponents on ethics and transparency in a recent mailer – *we always think it is better to get the complete story*:

Ethics Issues

Our opponents claim we do not support a board ethics policy. However, the comprehensive 76-page policy in place mandated by the State of Illinois which “One Barrington Hills” candidates, Cecola, Riff, Strauss and Ekstrom all support and pledge to abide by, is more than sufficient and all who endorse us, and served before us, have exemplified the highest of ethics over the last 8 years.

Below, we hope to inform you on the various ethical violations committed by our opponents, all of which have been openly documented in public meetings:

- Our opponent admitted to leaking a proprietary village email to a constituent, in violation of Illinois Governmental Ethics standards as well as their own proposed village ethical standards. This was revealed in a village meeting when the constituent referenced the proprietary email during public comment.
- Our opponent provided misleading information to the Village Auditor, falsely accusing the village of improper oversight, misusing the public trust to further their own political agenda in concert with those who have opposed McLaughlin. When questioned openly in a village meeting, our opponent who had apparently not understood the allegations wouldn’t be anonymous, admitted there was no defense for the misleading information or evidence to substantiate it and withdrew the allegation.
- Our opponents made false statements to residents when they stated in their recent mailer, “We were the only Board members who voted for video-streaming technology,” when in truth, our opponent and all other Trustees, voted against

video streaming at the July 23, 2018 Village Board Meeting — a meeting in which our other opponent was absent from and did not vote at all.

Transparency

While our opponents preach transparency, together **our opponents have missed close to one-third of the meetings**, more meetings than all other Trustees combined have missed. This very fact highlights their fundamental inability to truly represent the residents transparently in critical votes and deliberation on issues.

We, the “One Barrington Hills” candidates, are running to continue on the path that has been set over the past 8 years **to restore ethics, eliminate the corruption** that tainted and divided our village, and **embrace open communication and healthy dialogue** on village issues.

**YOUR SUPPORT AND VOTE IS NEEDED TO CONTINUE AND PRESERVE
THE LEGACY OF OUR UNIQUE VILLAGE! WE PLEDGE OURSELVES TO AN
ETHICAL, OPEN AND NEIGHBOR FRIENDLY LOCAL GOVERNMENT!**



PLEASE VOTE, CECOLA, RIFF, STRAUSS & EKSTROM!



Early Voting is in progress.
Visit your local polling place now and until Election Day, Tuesday, April 6th.
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