

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF NORTH BARRINGTON, WHICH WAS HELD THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2005, AT THE NORTH BARRINGTON VILLAGE HALL  
111 OLD BARRINGTON ROAD IN SAID VILLAGE

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

At 7:35 P.M. Chairman Barbara Potter called the meeting to order and the Deputy Village Clerk called the roll:

Present: Chairman Barbara Potter, Susan Allman, Jackie Andrew, Ron Cobb, Kirk Hamilton, Pat Ryan  
Absent: Brian Thomson, Trustee Dave Peterson  
Also Present: Bruce Kramper, 178 Pheasant Run Trail  
Robert Knox, 75 Saddletree Lane  
Deputy Village Clerk, Sue Manko

2. Approval of Past Minutes-Environmental Commission Meeting August 11, 2005

The Minutes of the Meeting were made available to the Commission.

Motion: Ron Cobb moved that the Minutes of the August 11, 2005 Environmental Commission Meeting be approved as amended; seconded by Kirk Hamilton.

Discussion: There was some discussion.

Vote on Motion:

The voice vote was unanimous in favor.

Chairman Barbara Potter declared the Minutes of the August 11, 2005 Environmental Commission Meeting approved and put on file.

3. 75 Saddletree Lane, Property of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Knox  
Village Tree Ordinance, Section 5-3A-8: Appeal

The Environmental Commission reviewed the Rules of Procedure for the Environmental Commission of the Village of North Barrington relative to Appeals from Tree Ordinance (Village Code Sections 5-3A-1 through 5-3A-9). It was decided that the hearing for 75 Saddletree Lane, Property of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Knox, Village Tree Ordinance, Section 5-3A-8: Appeal could not be heard until the October 13, 2005 Regular Environmental Meeting due to a court reporter not being present at this Meeting.

Motion: Ron Cobb moved that the Environmental Commission continue the hearing for 75 Saddletree Lane, Property of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Knox, Village Tree Ordinance, Section 5-3A-8: Appeal until the next regular Environmental Commission Meeting scheduled to be held

on October 13, 2005; seconded by Pat Ryan.

Discussion: There was some discussion.

Vote on Motion:

By Roll Call:

Ayes:	Chairman Barbara Potter, Jackie Andrew, Susan Allman, Pat Ryan,
	Kirk Hamilton, Ron Cobb
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	Brian Thomson

Chairman Barbara Potter declared the motion approved and the hearing continued until October 13, 2005.

4. 96 S. Wynstone Drive, Property of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Byrne  
Village Tree Ordinance, Section 5-3A-8: Appeal

The Environmental Commission reviewed the Rules of Procedure for the Environmental Commission of the Village of North Barrington relative to Appeals from Tree Ordinance (Village Code Sections 5-3A-1 through 5-3A-9). It was decided that the hearing for 96 S. Wynstone Drive, Property of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Byrne, Village Tree Ordinance, Section 5-3A-8: Appeal could not be heard until the October 13, 2005 Regular Environmental Meeting due to a court reporter not being present at this Meeting.

Motion: Pat Ryan moved that the Environmental Commission continue the hearing for 96 S. Wynstone Drive, Property of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Byrne, Village Tree Ordinance, Section 5-3A-8: Appeal until the next regular Environmental Commission Meeting scheduled to be held October 13, 2005; seconded by Kirk Hamilton

Discussion: There was some discussion

Vote on Motion:

By Roll Call:

Ayes:	Chairman Barbara Potter, Jackie Andrew, Susan Allman, Pat Ryan,
	Kirk Hamilton, Ron Cobb
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	Brian Thomson

Chairman Barbara Potter declared the motion approved and the hearing continued until October 13, 2005.

5. Public Comment

Chairman Barbara Potter invited North Barrington resident Mr. Bruce Kramper to speak to the Commission. Mr. Kramper is concerned about the North Barrington Village burning ordinance and various health concerns. He has asked the Fire Chief of the Wauconda Fire Department and the Lake Zurich Fire Department to compile some statistics regarding the amount of phone calls they receive during the height of the burning season and the ensuing problems. Mr. Kramper feels that leaf burning in the Village is a detriment to resident's health, and creates vision problems for drivers. He has collected information from the American Association of Pediatrics, assorted lung specialists and the EPA to support his position that the burning causes long term health problems, particularly for people with asthma. Mr. Kramper would like to see the Village of North Barrington ban leaf burning and plans to continue recruiting local support for the ban. Ron Cobb stated to the Commission that hearing the health risks caught his interest and that public education was needed. Chairman Barbara Potter informed Mr. Kramper that Brian Thomson would contact him to further discuss his concerns. The Commission suggested he return to the Commission with further evidence to substantiate overturning the ordinance.

6. Motion to Establish Continued Date of September 22, 2005 for Hearing on the Appeal Relative to Appeal by Dr. and Mrs. Douglas Principato, 110 Century Oaks Drive; Property of Dr. and Mrs. Douglas Principato, Village Tree Ordinance, Section 5-3A-8. No other action on September 8, 2005.

Motion: Ron Cobb moved that the Environmental Commission establish a final date of September 22, 2005 for the Hearing of the Appeal by Dr. and Mrs. Douglas Principato, 110 Century Oaks Drive; Property of Dr. and Mrs. Douglas Principato, Village Tree Ordinance Section 5-3A-8 Appeal, and that formal written notice pursuant to the Rules of Procedure be issued to all parties; seconded by Kirk Hamilton.

Discussion: There was some discussion.

Vote on Motion:

By Roll Call:

Ayes:	Barbara Potter, Jackie Andrew, Susan Allman, Pat Ryan, Kirk Hamilton, Ron Cobb
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	Brian Thomson

Chairman Barbara Potter declared the motion approved establishing the final date of September 22, 2005 for the Hearing of the Appeal by Dr. and Mrs. Douglas Principato, 110 Century Oaks Drive; property of Dr. and Mrs. Douglas Principato, Village Tree Ordinance Section 5-3A-8 Appeal.

7. North Flint Creek Combined Action List Update

Chairman Barbara Potter would like the Environmental Commission to make a recommendation to the Board of Trustees after reviewing the Ted Gray & Associates and Baxter & Woodman, Inc. North Flint Creek combined action list. She is concerned about standing water currently pooling in North Flint Creek and asked that Clarke Environmental Mosquito Management treat the water for West Nile Virus as soon as possible. Chairman Potter will also contact Brian Thomson to voice her concerns. The Commission reviewed and discussed the action list. They decided that it was vital to concentrate on items that were within the Village of North Barrington prior to approaching surrounding Villages. Chairman Potter passed around a digital picture of the Lake Zurich dam to illustrate the potential for flooding into North Flint Creek from Lake Zurich. There was extensive discussion about the Woodland Drive culvert and whether it should be replaced or permanently removed to allow Flint Creek to flow freely. Susan Allman stated the importance of the Commission making one single priority recommendation. Chairman Potter would like to continue educating the surrounding Villages on the importance of Flint Creek. She distributed a North Flint Creek Action Plan Worksheet, pertaining solely to the North Flint Creek. Chairman Potter would like to formulate an alliance made up of North Barrington Village residents. The Environmental Commission decided to make two recommendations to the Board of Trustees in regards to Flint Creek.

Motion: Susan Allman moved that the Environmental Commission recommend to the Board of Trustees the approval of funds to replace the culvert at Woodland Drive and the formation of a North Flint Creek Alliance, comprised of North Barrington residents, to analyze Flint Creek studies and develop a list of North Flint Creek Homeowner goals; seconded by Ron Cobb.

Discussion: There was extensive discussion. Pat Ryan asked for clarification of the North Flint Creek flooding problem in relation to other existing North Barrington flooding problems.

Vote on Motion:

The voice vote was unanimous in favor.

Chairman Barbara Potter declared the motion approved and the recommendation passed on to the Village Board.

#### 8. Flint Creek Watershed Partnership Update

Chairman Barbara Potter asked for volunteers to access some of the websites listed on the Flint Creek Watershed Partnership-Funding Watershed Management/Restoration Projects funding sources list. Pat Ryan and Ron Cobb volunteered to research some of the sources.

#### 9. Old/New Business

Ron Cobb reported to the Commission that he had spoken with North Barrington resident Julie Swano and that she planned on contacting him in a few weeks to further discuss the Concord Lane study.

Susan Allman presented information about the Illinois DNR Tree Inventory Project, a new

program for small communities to provide a tree inventory and management plan. There was extensive discussion. Susan Allman will discuss the information with Village President Bruce Sauer.

10. Adjournment

Motion: Ron Cobb moved the Meeting be adjourned; seconded by Pat Ryan.

Discussion: There was no discussion.

Vote on Motion:

The voice vote was unanimous in favor.

At 9:35 p.m. Chairman Barbara Potter declared the meeting adjourned.

These Minutes were approved at the Environmental Commission Meeting held September 22, 2005.

ATTEST:

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Sue Manko, Deputy Village Clerk

