

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL AND HEALTH COMMISSION OF
THE VILLAGE OF NORTH BARRINGTON, WHICH WAS HELD
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2008 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 Gery Herrmann called the meeting to order and the Deputy Village Clerk called the roll:

Present in Person: Chairman Gery Herrmann, Vice Chairman Bruce Kramper, Susan Allman, Jackie Andrew, Barbara Cragan, Pat Ryan
Absent: Frank Mattioli, Pete Wesley
Also Present: Sue Murdy, Deputy Village Clerk
Ashley Nemke, Milieu Design Inc.
Tim Moritz, Tallgrass Restoration, LLC
Doug Bauer, Tallgrass Restoration, LLC

**2. Approval of Past Minutes: Environmental and Health Commission Meeting
December 4, 2007**

The Minutes of the December 4, 2007 Environmental and Health Commission Meeting were made available to the Commission.

Motion: Susan Allman moved that the Minutes of the December 4, 2007 Environmental and Health Commission Meeting be approved; seconded by Jackie Andrew.

Discussion: There was no discussion.

Vote on Motion:

The voice vote was unanimous in favor.

Chairman Gery Herrmann declared the Minutes of the December 4, 2007 Environmental and Health Commission Meeting approved and put on file.

3. Presentation on Village Entrance Beautification Project

Ms. Ashley Nemke, Client Care Manager, from Milieu Design, Inc., presented designs for the two Village Entrance Beautification sites selected by the Commission. Ms. Nemke explained: the selection of plantings being proposed, maintenance requirements and the goal of creating visual interest through stone and grading. There was extensive discussion about the viability of the location at Honey Lake Road and Signal Hill. The design for the site at Miller Road and Highway 59 would have similar plantings with a more defined bed line. The cost estimate for landscape enhancement services for Signal Hill Road and Honey Lake Road is \$4400.67; the cost estimate for Miller Road and Highway 59 is \$7507.59.

Mr. Doug Bauer, from Tallgrass Restoration, LLC, presented designs for the two Village Beautification sites selected by the Commission. Mr. Bauer proposed a rain garden for the intersection

of Honey Lake Road and Signal Hill Road which would contain native plants and ecologically/environmentally sound solutions. Erosion control is an element of the plan, as well as attaining a natural look. The location at Miller Road and Highway 59 would be a dry garden with terraced stone. It was noted that Tallgrass Restoration, LLC also works closely with Citizens for Conservation on a variety of projects and goals. The cost estimate for the project at Signal Hill Road and Honey Lake Road is \$4900.00; the cost estimate for Miller Road and Highway 59 is \$7400.00.

Chairman Gery Herrmann inquired as to the possibility of grant money being available with this type of project. Mr. Bauer offered to put the Tallgrass Restoration, LLC staff grant coordinator in contact with Chairman Herrmann.

The Commission agreed that ultimately, the purpose of the Village Entrance Beautification project is to define the entrance to the Village of North Barrington. Continued maintenance of the sites is an important component. The Commission agreed to recommend the more natural look for the site at Miller Road and Highway 59, this being the test site. The costs are nearly identical for both projects and the information will be forwarded to the Village Board for a final decision. Village of North Barrington signage for the site would also be a separate issue. Chairman Gery Herrmann will try to attend the February 27, 2008 Board meeting.

4. Review of Revised Leaf Burning Ordinance

Chairman Gery Herrmann directed the Commission's attention to the enclosed final revision of the Village Leaf Burning Ordinance approved by the Village Board on December 17, 2007. It was noted that there were mutual concessions made to come to an agreement.

5. Review of 239 Beachview Health and Sanitation Ordinance

Chairman Gery Herrmann directed the Commission's attention to Ordinance Number 1132 for 239 Beachview Lane. The Ordinance was approved by the Board on January 23, 2008, with the following conditions:

1. The existing kitchen, bathtub and shower in the lower level shall be removed upon completion of the new construction and all pipes and drains serving the above shall be capped in concrete.
2. An aerator shall be installed as part of the septic system, in a manner satisfactory to the Village Health Officer.
3. The home on the property shall not provide for more than three (3) bedrooms.

The Commission was in agreement with the conditions.

6. Discussion of Resident Education Program about Well & Septic Use; Village Deer and Coyote Wildlife

The Commission discussed holding various resident educational forums. Ms. Barbara Cragan recently attended a presentation sponsored by CFC (Citizens for Conservation) about the present coyote and deer population, and emphasized the widespread interest by area residents. A well and septic system education would be another possible forum.

The Commission discussed combining the designated April 26, 2008 Arbor Day-Earth Day in the Village of North Barrington with a resident education program. The Commission would like to hold an afternoon well and septic forum at the Village Hall.

7. Old/New Business

Chairman Gery Herrmann plans to contact President Bruce Sauer to discuss the direction of the Environmental and Health Commission.

8. Adjournment

Motion: Vice Chairman Bruce Kramper moved the Meeting be adjourned; seconded by Jackie Andrew.

Discussion: There was no discussion.

Vote on Motion:

The voice vote was unanimous in favor.

At 8:35 p.m. Chairman Gery Herrmann declared the Meeting adjourned.

These Minutes were approved at the Environmental and Health Commission Meeting held March 4, 2008.

ATTEST:

Sue Murdy, Deputy Village Clerk

