

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL AND HEALTH COMMISSION OF
THE VILLAGE OF NORTH BARRINGTON, WHICH WAS HELD
TUESDAY, APRIL 7, 2009 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,
Jackie Andrew, Susan Allman, Patty Kalinowski
Absent: Pete Wesley, Barbara Cragan
Also Present: Sue Murdy, Deputy Village Clerk

**2. Approval of Past Minutes: Environmental and Health Commission Meeting
March 3, 2009**

The Minutes of the March 3, 2009 Environmental and Health Commission Meeting were made available to the Commission. Some changes were made to the Minutes.

Motion: Jackie Andrew moved that the Minutes of the March 3, 2009 Environmental and Health Commission Meeting be approved as amended; seconded by Susan Allman.

Discussion: There was some discussion.

Vote on Motion:

The voice vote was unanimous in favor.

Chairman Gery Herrmann declared the Minutes of the March 3, 2009 Environmental and Health Commission Meeting approved as amended and put on file.

3. Update on Flint Creek

The first phase of the Flint Creek stream bank restoration project has been completed and the debris in the creek has been removed. The cover crop has been spread. Tallgrass Restoration, LLC has begun working on property 3 ½ acres north of the intersection of Rugby Road and Essex Drive as well as 1 ½ acres south. The stream bank restoration is moving both up and down stream. There was lengthy discussion about various pieces of debris that need to be removed.

Chairman Gery Herrmann mentioned he had attended the Flint Creek Watershed Partnership meeting in conjunction with the Citizens for Conservation. Lake County has conducted water quality studies on various lakes in the area and Chairman Herrmann will forward the necessary information so Commission members can view the results on line.

There was lengthy discussion about the funding of the Flint Creek project using Village funds, a Village resident sharing program and EPA grants. The Commission also discussed the restoration work done on private property as well as Village right of way. Chairman Herrmann reviewed a lengthy list

of concerns about the Flint Creek Project. The Commission discussed what they viewed as initial mistakes and stated they look to more specific future planning. Chairman Herrmann handed out copies of the Flint Creek Watershed Plan specific to North Barrington along with a Lake County Parcel Map. It was agreed that resident education process and positive outlook was extremely important. There was lengthy discussion.

Chairman Gery Herrmann asked Commission member Jackie Andrew to research the cost of the Flint Creek Project to the Village of North Barrington, including what has been spent so far and what future amounts have been committed. The Commission suggested getting additional competitive bids. Chairman Herrmann also stated a maintenance commitment should be obtained from private property owners. Chairman Herrmann also suggested the Village make an effort to purchase and maintain assorted easements throughout the Village. There was lengthy discussion.

The Commission discussed log jams in Flint Creek and the involvement of Citizens for Conservation to aid in the clean up. Any work in the actual creek requires permission from the Army Corps of Engineers. Chairman Gery Herrmann asked the Commission to review the specific recommendations listed in the Flint Creek Watershed Plan prior to the May 5, 2009 Environmental & Health Commission Meeting. There was lengthy discussion.

4. Discussion of Septic Tank Maintenance Ordinance

The Commission reviewed the draft Private Sewage Disposal System Ordinance revised by Ms. Patty Kalinowski. Chairman Gery Herrmann stated his enthusiasm for the proposed Ordinance. Ms. Kalinowski also has computer software the Village could use to implement the procedure. The Environmental & Health Commission would like to see a resident postcard mailing inviting the Village residents to attend an informational meeting outlining the history, purpose and scope of the proposed Ordinance. There was lengthy discussion.

5. Update on Arbor Day

Village Forester Susan Allman reported that the flyer for the Arbor Day Celebration scheduled for April 25, 2009 from 9:00 – 11:30 am at the Village Hall. Ms. Allman explained that the Arbor Day Celebration is also the kick off for the Village 50th Anniversary Celebration. Ms. Allman requested volunteers.

6. Old/New Business

The Commission discussed a spring chipping program due to the recent storm damage. Chairman Herrmann reminded the Commission of the deer program scheduled at the Barrington Area Library Saturday April 11, 2009.

7. Adjournment

Motion: Vice Chairman Bruce Kramper moved the Meeting be adjourned; seconded by Susan Allman.

Discussion: There was no discussion.

Vote on Motion:

The voice vote was unanimous in favor.

At 9:15 p.m. Chairman Gery Herrmann declared the Meeting adjourned.

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These Minutes were approved at the Environmental and Health Commission Meeting held May 5, 2009.

ATTEST:

Sue Murdy, Deputy Village Clerk

