

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL AND HEALTH COMMISSION OF  
THE VILLAGE OF NORTH BARRINGTON, WHICH WAS HELD  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2009 AT  
THE NORTH BARRINGTON VILLAGE HALL  
111 OLD BARRINGTON ROAD IN SAID VILLAGE**

**1. Call to Order and Roll Call**

At 7:31 P.M. Chairman Bruce Kramper called the meeting to order and the Deputy Village Clerk called the roll:

Present in Person: Chairman Bruce Kramper, Jackie Andrew, Susan Allman, Barbara Cragan, Patty Kalinowski, Rob Haas  
Absent: None  
Also Present: Natalie Karney, Village Health and Sanitation Officer  
Camille Koertner, Village Trustee  
Nicole Keiter, Deputy Village Clerk

**2. Approval of Past Minutes: Environmental and Health Commission Meeting  
September 1, 2009**

The Minutes of the September 1, 2009 Environmental and Health Commission Meeting were made available to the Commission.

Motion: Jackie Andrew moved that the Minutes of the September 1, 2009 Environmental and Health Commission Meeting be approved; seconded by Barbara Cragan.

Discussion: There was no discussion.

Vote on Motion:

The voice vote was unanimous in favor.

Chairman Bruce Kramper declared the Minutes of the September 1, 2009 Environmental and Health Commission Meeting approved and put on file.

**3. Biltmore Country Club Variance Request Regarding Ordinance Number 179. The Biltmore Country Club is Asking for Relief From Section 3, #1 to Allow for 1 Additional Toilet in the Ladies Room and 1 Urinal to the Men's Room at the Tennis Shop Located by the Tennis House**

There were a few questions/comments from the Commission members regarding the requested variance. Ms. Andrew stated that it would be the same amount of people using the facilities as it had been in the past. Now, there would be the benefit of making it easier for people to use the facilities more quickly. Ms. Andrew stated that she thought it was a good idea.

Ms. Cragan, referring to Section 5 of the original ordinance, asked how the Village would know if the septic field wasn't working properly. Natalie Karney, Village Health and Sanitation Officer, stated that the Country Club wouldn't want to continue normal business with something not working properly.

Not only would there be a noticeable stench but there would also be standing sewage and members would complain. There was some additional discussion.

Motion: Jackie Andrew moved that the Environmental and Health Commission recommend approval of said variance asking for relief from section 3, #1 of original Ordinance # 179; seconded by Patty Kalinowski.

Discussion: There was no discussion.

Vote on Motion: Ayes: Chairman Bruce Kramper, Jackie Andrew, Susan Allman, Barbara Cragan, Patty Kalinowski, Rob Haas

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

Chairman Bruce Kramper declared the motion approved.

#### **4. Septic Ordinance Update**

Ms. Karney stated that she had contacted Lake County regarding the proposed septic ordinance, but has not heard back from them. A concerned resident, Mr. Doug Alexander, sent some materials into the Environmental and Health Commission for their review. Chairman Kramper attempted to contact Mr. Alexander but has been unsuccessful thus far. There was some additional discussion from the Commission. Ms. Andrew stated that it may be a good idea to put a notice in the Village Newsletter telling residents to keep their bills and necessary materials to send in if the Ordinance is passed. Ms. Kalinowski suggested that the Commission soften the language in some parts of the drafted ordinance and insert a section pertaining especially to those people who have the new aerator systems. Chairman Kramper decided that the Commission should hold off on everything until the Board and the Legal team made a decision or comments.

#### **5. Flint Creek Project Review**

Trustee Koertner informed the Commission that the Board had approved the proposal from Integrated Lakes Management (ILM) to start clearing the Eton Park area. Nancy Schumm-Burgess from Barrington Area Conservation Trust solicited bids on request from the Board. There were three different companies involved in the bidding process; Tallgrass, ILM, and Applied Ecological Services (AES). The bids were as follows: Tallgrass at \$65,500, ILM at \$30,400, and AES at \$28,000. Along with the bids, the Board asked for a recommendation from Ms. Schumm-Burgess who was inclined to go with the ILM quote because they had cost effective work, their report samples are clear and useful for both grant purposes and for the Board to clearly understand work involved and completed, and while they do not include a cover crop cost, this could be easily negotiated to be included with the maintenance costs, and their maintenance is very comprehensive versus AES which only included re-sprout work. The work is to begin during the winter months on the property, which is approximately 8 acres bordering Eton Park and Flint Creek. The area would be cleared and Chairman Kramper stated that the purpose of the work would be to do it along the waterway. Ms. Cragan asked if the property along Rugby was still under the Tallgrass contract. Trustee Koertner stated that there were no contracts signed as of this time for maintenance next year. Under the current contract with Tallgrass there are a couple of items that will need to be finished such as a small amount of burning; however, other projects such as the clearing of log jams had been completed. Ms. Allman stated that the creek was flowing nicely; however, the project is a continuous one with vegetation always growing back. Ms. Andrew stated that the Village can not continue to take care of private property and if there is to be

continued maintenance it should come from the property owners. Trustee Koertner stated that Eton Park was a good choice for the next stage of the project since it is all public property owned by the Village.

## **6. Old/New Business**

Chairman Kramper welcomed Rob Haas to the Environmental and Health Commission and thanked him for devoting his time.

Ms. Kalinowski called ILM regarding water quality testing for the Creek. ILM then took the time to explain the general problems with the water quality testing that was performed previously. Chairman Kramper told the Commission that President Sauer wanted them to pursue the idea of having someone, like ILM, come in to give the Commission a presentation on different water quality testing techniques and what is appropriate for what they want to monitor. President Sauer also stated to Chairman Kramper that Lake Zurich may be interested in the same thing and perhaps a joint meeting would be helpful. Ms. Kalinowski and Chairman Kramper offered to follow up on that idea.

The final mosquito counts were reviewed. The Commission decided that this year's numbers were not a good representation of normal mosquito activity since it was one of the coldest and wettest summers on record. Chairman Kramper stated that the Commission saved a lot of money on their budget because of the low mosquito activity.

The demonstration garden was quickly discussed. Trustee Koertner stated that now was not the time to start one, with the winter months approaching. If the idea comes back in the spring it will be re-evaluated then.

Ms. Allman stated that at the last meeting it was said that there would be two chipper days. Unfortunately that would not be the case and there would only be one chipper day, in the fall, just as in years before.

Ms. Andrew stated that she would like to see a police speed sign on Signal Hill Road. In the morning many people use Signal Hill as a cut-thru since the traffic on Route 59 is always congested. She stated that cars consistently speed and not only is it dangerous for residents but there are also dead animals all over the road. Chairman Kramper stated that he would contact Tom Gooch or Lake County Sherriff regarding the issue and also speak with Trustee Boland.

## **7. Adjournment**

Motion: Jackie Andrew moved the Meeting be adjourned; seconded by Patty Kalinowski.

Discussion: There was no discussion.

Vote on Motion: The voice vote was unanimous in favor.

At 8:21 p.m. Chairman Bruce Kramper declared the meeting adjourned.

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These Minutes were approved at the Environmental and Health Commission Meeting held January 5, 2010.

ATTEST:

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Nicole Keiter, Deputy Village Clerk

