

**MINUTES OF THE NORTH BARRINGTON PLAN COMMISSION MEETING
WHICH WAS HELD MARCH 10, 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 Martin Pais called the meeting to order and the Village Clerk called the roll:

Present in Person:	Chairman Martin Pais, Vice Chairman Dan Nass, Bill Bishop, Denis Taillon, David Wilford
Absent:	None
Also Present:	Trustee Jane Farrell Camille Koertner, 58 S. Wynstone Drive Patty Kalinowski, 497 Brookside Road Sam Oliver, Citizens for Conservation Gery Herrmann, 257 Kimberly Road Bob Kosin, Village of Barrington Hills Patsy Mortimer, Flint Creek Watershed Partnership Peter C. Ferretti, Gewalt Hamilton Associates, Inc. Kathy Nelander, Village Administrator Kris Lennon, Deputy Village Clerk

2. Approve Minutes: Plan Commission Meeting – February 11, 2008

The Minutes of the February 11, 2008 Plan Commission Meeting were made available to the Commission

Motion: David Wilford moved that the Minutes of the February 11, 2008 Plan Commission Meeting be approved; seconded by Bill Bishop.

Discussion: There was no discussion.

Vote on Motion:

The voice vote was unanimous in favor.

Chairman Martin Pais declared the Minutes of the February 11, 2008 Plan Commission Meeting approved and put on file.

3. Flint Creek Watershed Partnership: Presentation by Patsy Mortimer

Trustee Jane Farrell gave a brief overview of the Village Board's Flint Creek evaluation walk of Flint Creek in November 2007, and the subsequent conclusion that action needed to be taken by the Village to protect and clean up Flint Creek. Trustee Farrell stated that any actions would be in line with the Village Comprehensive Plan, and only expert opinions would be considered. The Board has requested the Plan Commission to look into drafting an Ordinance which would allow the Village to legally access Flint Creek.

Ms. Patsy Mortimer, Coordinator of the Flint Creek Watershed Partnership, presented an overview of history and goals of the Flint Creek Watershed Partnership as they relate to the Villages, Townships and non profit entities which currently comprise the partnership. They operate as an independent committee of the Citizens for Conservation.

Ms. Mortimer deferred to the 350 page Flint Creek Watershed-Based Plan for Lake, Cook and McHenry Counties, which can be found at www.flintcreekwatershed.org. The Flint Creek Watershed Executive Summary (a condensed explanation of the plan) was distributed to the Commission. There are nine elements to the Flint Creek Watershed Plan:

- Introduction to Flint Creek Watershed
- Goals of the Flint Creek Watershed Partnership
- Watershed characteristics and problems assessment
- Sub-watershed management unit problems assessment
- Open space/green infrastructure parcel prioritization
- Prioritized action plan
- Plan implementation
- Evaluating plan performance
- Literature cited

Ms. Mortimer reviewed the components of the plan and stated that many of these elements are required by the U.S. EPA for a watershed plan. The Flint Creek Watershed is a fairly large (36 1/2 square miles) and unusual watershed because it flows north. The watershed covers a total of three counties, five townships and eight municipalities. North Barrington is part of the North Flint Creek sub-watershed, and has its own unique watershed issues. Specific items listed in the Flint Creek Watershed Plan referring to North Barrington are six high and medium priority detention basin retrofits, one flood mitigation area on Miller Road and three area lake shore line restoration recommendations. Ms. Mortimer stated that it is beneficial to North Barrington to have its high priority stream restoration items listed in the plan since it enables the Village to qualify for 319 grant funding.

Chairman Pais invited questions from the Commission and audience.

Mr. Denis Taillon asked if Tower Lake was part of the Flint Creek Watershed; Ms. Mortimer responded that their residents were considering forming an independent watershed plan.

Mr. Bill Bishop inquired about the project being funded over the long term by grants; Ms. Mortimer explained there is a 319 grant available, which typically works with large dollar amounts. It is a 60/40 matching grant. There is an August 1, 2008 application deadline.

Mr. Dan Nass asked if there is any legislative action pending on pollutants such as salt; Ms. Mortimer agreed that an alternative to salt needs to be researched.

Trustee Jane Farrell asked if any surrounding villages are submitting grant applications for the August 1, 2008 deadline; Ms. Mortimer responded none have been sent yet and that it is possible for one Village to apply independently.

Ms. Mortimer stated that the Flint Creek Watershed Partnership is now setting dates to make presentations to the various villages within the watershed.

Chairman Martin Pais thanked Ms. Mortimer for her presentation.

4. Barrington Hills Conservation Easement Strategies: Presentation by Bob Kosin

Mr. Bob Kosin, Director of Administration for the Village of Barrington Hills, approached the Commission and presented the watershed planning initiatives taken by Barrington Hills. Mr. Kosin distributed a Water Resource Based Planning Outline to the Commission and gave an overview of the elements involved in forming an intergovernmental cooperation effort:

Experiences:

- No single technique
- Long time horizon
- Resources do not respect political boundaries
- Quantity and quality link
- Catchments commensurate with scale

Action Items:

- Documentation
- Qualitative references-objectively verifiable
- Reliable funding
- Monitor program
- Review existing enforcement ordinance(s)
- Education
- Define role of government

Mr. Kosin explained that there is no quick or uncomplicated solution to the challenges of an intergovernmental cooperative effort involving three different watersheds; however the experiences thus far have been positive. Mr. Kosin noted that in the Village of Barrington Hills it is customary that all future forward thinking items come to the Plan Commission, and stressed the importance of governmental involvement and public participation.

Mr. Peter Ferretti, GIS Analyst, Gewalt Hamilton Associates, Inc. briefly explained to the Commission there are many data resources and technology currently available to aid in public education projects.

Mr. Kosin summarized that the Flint Creek Watershed is a long term project, will require funding and is a logical, consistent role of government.

Mr. Dan Nass asked Mr. Kosin if the Lake and McHenry County Stormwater Ordinances have been helpful to their efforts; Mr. Kosin indicated that insufficient and inconsistent measurement data eventually led to improved initiatives by state legislature to implement uniformity of standards.

Chairman Martin Pais asked Mr. Kosin if there is any sort of cooperative agreement between the Village of Barrington Hills and the Village of North Barrington; Mr. Kosin indicated that the two Villages are members of BACOG (Barrington Area Council of Governments). Chairman Martin Pais and Mr. Kosin agreed that Village budget issues warrant consideration.

Ms. Patty Kalinowski asked Mr. Kosin is there is a fee paid by the residents of Barrington Hills to offset the costs; Mr. Kosin responded there is no direct fee currently imposed.

Mr. Bill Bishop asked Mr. Kosin if such a project can be accomplished without complete cooperation from all surrounding communities; there was discussion about the different jurisdictions and the importance of a defined governmental structure. Mr. Kosin stated that the 319 grant funding dollars are goal rated.

Chairman Martin Pais thanked Mr. Kosin for his presentation.

5. Approve Revised Village Zoning and Village Street/Address Map

Motion: David Wilford moved that the Commission recommend to the Village Board the approval of the revised official Village Zoning Map and the revised official Village Street and Address Map; seconded by Denis Taillon.

Discussion: There was no discussion.

Vote on Motion:

<u>By Roll Call:</u>	Ayes:	Chairman Martin Pais, Vice Chairman Dan Nass, Bill Bill Bishop, Denis Taillon, David Wilford
	Nays:	None
	Absent:	None
	Abstain:	None

Chairman Pais declared the motion approved and the recommendation forwarded to the Board of Trustees.

6. Old/New Business

Chairman Martin Pais announced that Ms. Camille Koertner would be leaving the Plan Commission and assuming a term on the Board of Trustees. The Commission thanked Ms. Koertner for her Plan Commission contributions.

Chairman Martin Pais asked for two Plan Commission members to meet with Village Building and Zoning Officer Kelly Rafferty to review the permitting and building process. Vice Chairman Dan Nass and Bill Bishop volunteered.

Chairman Martin Pais confirmed he would meet personally with Environmental and Health Commission Chairman Gery Herrmann to review the Flint Creek Watershed Partnership Plan document.

7. Adjournment

Motion: Denis Taillon moved the meeting be adjourned; seconded by Bill Bishop.

Discussion: There was no discussion.

Vote on Motion:

The voice vote was unanimous in favor.

At 9:08 P.M. Chairman Martin Pais declared the meeting adjourned.

These Minutes were approved at the Plan Commission Meeting held May 12, 2008.

ATTEST:

Sue Murdy, Deputy Village Clerk