

**MINUTES OF THE NORTH BARRINGTON PLAN COMMISSION MEETING
WHICH WAS HELD NOVEMBER 10, 2008 AT THE NORTH BARRINGTON
VILLAGE HALL, 111 OLD BARRINGTON ROAD, IN SAID VILLAGE**

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

At 7:30 P.M. Chairman Martin Pais called the meeting to order and the Deputy Village Clerk called the roll:

Present in Person:	Chairman Martin Pais, Vice Chairman Dan Nass, Bill Bishop, Denis Taillon, Janis Menges
Absent:	David Wilford
Also Present:	Trustee Jane Farrell Sue Murdy, Deputy Village Clerk

2. Approve Minutes: Plan Commission Meeting – June 9, 2008

The Minutes of the June 9, 2008 Plan Commission Meeting were made available to the Commission.

Motion: Bill Bishop moved that the Minutes of the June 9, 2008 Plan Commission Meeting be approved; seconded by Denis Taillon.

Discussion: There was no discussion.

Vote on Motion:

The voice vote was unanimous in favor.

Chairman Martin Pais declared the Minutes of the June 9, 2008 Plan Commission Meeting approved and put on file.

3. North Barrington Office Permit Process Update (Dan and Bill)

Vice Chairman Dan Nass presented an overview of the current North Barrington Village building permit process. Vice Chairman Nass stated that he had spoken with several local developers, including Mr. Tom Klein and Mr. Michael Graft for their input, and also conducted his own research. The conclusion was that the Village process is viewed as simple and efficient a compared to surrounding communities.

Vice Chairman Nass reviewed some suggestions:

- A staff preview with a small non-refundable fee which would allow the petitioner to minimize expenses in the event the project is simply not feasible and is not approved by the Village.

- Submission of a “green permit” would be expedited. This would encourage a more environmentally friendly project, such as recycling rain water and natural irrigation. Mr. Nass mentioned the use of permeable concrete and green products now available that could help offset some of the density issues that arise.
- Implementation of a maximized paperless process utilized on line. An administrative checklist would also be used by the petitioner.
- A more defined staff deadline date and timeline provided to the petitioner which would be beneficial from a financial standpoint when project financing is being obtained.
- The possibility of a site permit was also presented by Mr. Nass in order to facilitate site preparation for the actual building.
- The petitioner would submit a contractors list which would clarify and confirm the construction plans. The Commission discussed their concerns about incomplete building projects due to financing problems.

Motion: Denis Taillon moved that the Commission recommend to the Village Board the submission and presentation by Vice Chairman Dan Nass of the North Barrington Building Permit Review Process to the Village Staff; seconded by Janis Menges.

Discussion: There was lengthy discussion.

Vote on Motion:

The voice vote was unanimous in favor.

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

4. Old/New Business

Trustee Jane Farrell approached the Commission and explained that the Village plans to celebrate its 50th anniversary in 2009. Trustee Farrell would like to involve the Plan Commission to work in conjunction with the Parks and Recreation Commission in organizing a recognition event. Trustee Farrell reviewed the success of the recent Fall Festival held at Eton Park and would like the 2009 Fall Festival to be the venue for the 50th anniversary dedication. Trustee Farrell asked that the Commission forward their ideas to her and explained that she wants to establish a Village logo, historical time capsule and volunteerism drive. There was some discussion about various residents that could be contacted, such as Village Treasurer Roberta Svacha, previous Village Administrator Judy Janus and Ms. Elaine Silets, a longtime North Barrington resident.

The Commission discussed the status of the Flint Creek Watershed project. A conservation easement is no longer being considered. Trustee Jane Farrell explained the BACTrust (Barrington Area Conservation Trust) is working with the Village to organize a community campaign involving the residents in the clean up and restoration of Flint Creek within the Village of North Barrington.

Mr. Denis Taillon announced that the Flint Creek Watershed Bus Tour on October 15, 2008 was a success and was attended by several residents of North Barrington.

Vice Chairman Dan Nass asked it be noted in the minutes that Zoning Board of Appeals Chairman Warren Nass announced that the Lot Coverage Ratio Ordinance was successfully applied in 76 zoning situations within the Village. Chairman Martin Pais congratulated that statistic.

Chairman Martin Pais addressed the Commission and explained that his term as Chairman was expired. Chairman Pais would like to see Commission members rotated within the Commission and noted that a new Chairman would be appointed by the Board of Trustees.

5. Adjournment

Motion: Denis Taillon moved the meeting be adjourned; seconded by Vice Chairman Dan Nass.

Discussion: There was no discussion.

Vote on Motion:

The voice vote was unanimous in favor.

At 8:35 P.M. Chairman Martin Pais declared the meeting adjourned.

These Minutes were approved at the Plan Commission Meeting held December 8, 2008.

ATTEST:

Sue Murdy, Deputy Village Clerk