VILLAGE OF NORTH BARRINGTON
PLAN COMMISSION MEETING
Monday, September 14, 2026

Call to Order
The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call
Roll Call was answered by Chairperson Gery Herrmann, Michael Beightol, Dennis O'Shaughnessy, Ken Such and James Zakos. Tatiana Blinova was absent.

Also present were Village Building & Zoning Officer Kelly Rafferty, Trustee Liaison Rick Mignano, Village Administrator John Lobaito, and Administrative Assistant Sue Murdy.

Pledge of Allegiance
Chairperson Gery Herrmann led the Meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment
There was no public comment.

Minutes Joint Zoning Boad of Appeals and Plan Commission Meeting August 17, 2026
Motion by Dennis O'Shaughnessy and seconded by Ken Such to approve the Minutes of August 17, 2026, Joint Zoning Board of Appeals and Plan Commission Meeting. On roll call vote Chairperson Gery Herrmann, Michael Beightol, Dennis O'Shaughnessy, Ken Such and James Zakos voted AYE. No NAYS. Motion Carried.

Review and Discussion of Village Zoning Code Draft dated July 2026
Plan Commission Chairperson Gery Herrmann complimented the amended Village Zoning Code Draft. The Plan Commission is tasked with deciding if the document fits in with the unique community characteristics that are the Village of North Barrington. The Village Zoning Amendments will be helpful to the Village Building and Zoning Officer, as well as the Zoning Board of Appeals.

The notes from the Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting on September 8, 2026, were reviewed. The ZBA had comments primarily pertaining to fences and the definition of "family" as it related to occupants of a single-family home for zoning purposes.

Village Administrator John Lobaito stated the draft provides for upgraded definitions. Illustrations were also added to aid in conceptual interpretations for all users. The overall goal is for the Village Zoning Code to be more user friendly and provide consistency. The Zoning Board of Appeals has previously reviewed the draft for topics that are typical of Zoning Variance petitions.

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The Commission reviewed the redline draft of the amended Village Zoning Code by each individual chapter. There were questions, detailed discussion and specific input from the Commission for each of the fifteen (15) chapters. Village Administrator Lobaito explained he would summarize their input and forward to the Village Attorney for his review. The next step would be to submit the comments to Arista Strungys, Principal at Camiros, LLC for incorporation into the current draft. A follow up Plan Commission meeting will take place, a Public Hearing will be held, and the final Plan Commission recommendation will be brought to the Village Board of Trustees in December 2026.

Old/New Business

Chairperson Herrmann stated to the Plan Commission that the Parks and Recreation Commission 5-year Master Plan does not warrant any change in the current Village Comprehensive Plan.

There was a brief update by Village Administrator Lobaito about the Highway 59 GHO Drainage Project (Grassmere, Haverton, Oaksbury) currently underway. The project is progressing, and the projected re-opening is October 1, 2026.

The Commission tentatively agreed to meet again on Monday October 12, 2026.

Adjournment

Motion by Michael Beightol and seconded by James Zakos to adjourn. On voice vote all voted AYE. No NAYS. Motion Carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Submitted by,

John Lobaito

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