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**VILLAGE OF NORTH BARRINGTON**  
**PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**WEDNESDAY March 18, 2026**

**Call to Order**

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

**Roll Call**

Roll Call was answered by Trustees Colella, Creviston, Kelleher, Mignano, and President Sweet McDonnell. Trustee Pais and Trustee Vandenberg were absent.

Also present was Village Attorney Bryan Winter, Village Treasurer Mo Ashab, Village Administrator John Lobaito, and Administrative Assistant Sue Murdy.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Village Treasurer Mo Ashab led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Public Comment**

**Approval of Minutes Village Board Meeting from February 18, 2026**

**Motion** by Trustee Mignano and seconded by Trustee Kelleher to approve February 18, 2026, Village Board Meeting Minutes. On roll call Trustees Colella, Creviston, Kelleher, and Mignano voted AYE. No NAYS. Motion Carried.

**Treasurers Report**

February Treasurer's Report for FYE 2026.

Village Treasurer Mo Ashab addressed the Board and stated the Village has completed 10 months of the fiscal year ending April 30, 2026. The Village's finances are in good order from both revenue and expense respects.

Village President Sweet McDonnell thanked Mr. Ashab for his work on behalf of the Village.

**Motion** by Trustee Kelleher and seconded by Trustee Mignano to approve February Treasurer's Report for FYE 2026. On roll call Trustees Colella, Creviston, Kelleher, and Mignano voted AYE. No NAYS. Motion Carried.

**7. Presentations-None.**

**Action Items**

**8.A. Motion** to Pass an Ordinance Refunding Certain Property Taxes Collected for Tax Years 2010 to 2024 by the Village of North Barrington for Property Located at 25918 W. Scott Road.

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Village Administrator Lobaito explained to the Board that on September 30, 2009, the President and Board of Trustees approved an Annexation Agreement which annexed the property now known as Old Barrington Farm. The Subject property was included in the Annexation to provide contiguity for the annexation of the Old Barrington Farm property.

Pursuant to Section 12 of the Annexation Agreement, the Village shall refund the Owners the Municipal portion of the property taxes upon request and proof of payment by the Owners. This is Mr. Hashlamoun's first request for a property tax refund.

**8.B. Motion** to pass an Ordinance Implementing a Municipal Grocery Retailers' Occupation Tax and a Municipal Grocery Service Occupation Tax for the Village of North Barrington.

**Motion** by Trustee Kelleher and seconded by Trustee Mignano to Pass an Ordinance Implementing a Municipal Grocery Retailer's Occupation Tax and Municipal Grocery Service Occupation Tax for the Village of North Barrington. On roll call Trustees Colella, Creviston, Kelleher, and Mignano voted AYE. No NAYS. Motion Carried.

Village Administrator Lobaito explained to the Board that the statewide grocery sales tax was eliminated on January 1, 2026, by Public Act 103-0781. That same Act gave authority to municipalities to implement a 1% grocery sales tax locally by Ordinance.

There was extensive discussion. The Board stated for the record that passage of the Ordinance is being done now due to a state legislative deadline, and passage of such Ordinance preserves the Village's right to impose the grocery sales tax in the event a retailer opens a store with grocery sales. The Board recognizes there are currently no retailers in the Village of North Barrington subject to a 1% grocery sales tax. It was noted that future Village Boards can repeal the grocery sales tax for any reason they may determine in the future.

**8.C. GHO Project Award Update**

Village Administrator Lobaito addressed the Board and stated the Village Board authorized the solicitation of bids for the Grassmere, Haverton, and Oaksbury Pond Drainage Improvement Project (GHO) at the January 21, 2026, Village Board Meeting.

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Notice to bidders was advertised in the Daily Herald on Monday January 26, 2026. On Tuesday, March 10, 2026, the Village received sealed proposals and opened bids. The Village received three (3) sealed bids.

The Village Board was expected to consider awarding the contract at the March meeting; however, the project engineers are still analyzing the bids and coordinating approval from the Lake County Stormwater Management Commission.

It is anticipated that the award of bid will be on April 22, 2026, Board Meeting Agenda.

**Unpaid Warrant List**

Approval of the March 2026 Unpaid Warrant List

**Motion** by Trustee Creviston and seconded by Trustee Colella to approve the March 2026 Unpaid Warrant List. On roll call Trustees Colella, Creviston, Kelleher, and Mignano voted AYE. No NAYS. Motion Carried.

**Checks Written Report**

Approval of the March 2026 Checks Written Report.

**Motion** by Trustee Kelleher and seconded by Trustee Colella to approve the March 2026 Checks Written Report. On roll call Trustees Colella, Creviston, Kelleher, and Mignano voted AYE. No NAYS. Motion Carried.

**Village Administrators Report**

Village Administrator Lobaito reported the FYE 2027 draft Budget will be presented at the April Board Meeting. The Board will vote on the FYE 2027 Budget at the May Board Meeting.

Mr. Lobaito reported that the Budget Meeting will be held April 22, 2026, and will begin at 6:00 P.M. with a light dinner. The Board Meeting will follow at 7:00 P.M.

**Board of Trustee's Reports**

**Trustee Colella** -Trustee Colella had no report. It was noted that the Village Zoning Update by Camiros will be discussed later.

**Trustee Creviston**-Trustee Creviston reported the Village remains safe. The ad hoc committee met March 16, 2026, to discuss the Village plans for America's 250 Anniversary celebration. The 250 Celebration will be incorporated into selected Parks & Recreation Commission events.

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**Trustee Kelleher** – Trustee Kelleher reported the Parks and Recreation Commission met March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2026. The 5-year Master Plan Consultant, Kimley Horn presented a detailed series of concepts for discussion by the Commission. The Commission reviewed each concept from an implementation and cost aspect. Kimley Horn will make the suggested changes and present a new draft to the Commission.

Commission Member Tammie Mahoney is the liaison for the ad hoc 250 Celebration Committee and the Parks & Recreation Commission.

**Trustee Mignano** - Trustee Mignano had no report. He is now the Plan Commission Liaison.

**Trustee Pais** – Trustee Pais was absent.

**Trustee Vandenberg** – Trustee Vandenberg was absent.

**Village President's Report**

Village President Sweet McDonnell reported she and Village Administrator Lobaito are in discussion with Clark Mosquito about future Village mosquito treatment programs.

Village President Sweet McDonnell reported she will travel to Springfield in April with Trustee Creviston when the House of Representatives and Senate are both in session. One area of discussion is funding for Biltmore Drive. The road is in poor condition and is slipping towards Honey Lake.

Village President Sweet McDonnell reported she attended the Ramadan Event at the South Barrington Park District. The event was attended by various public officials and included an Emmy Award winner featured speaker.

Village President Sweet McDonnell will host a 2<sup>nd</sup> Mayors Mentoring dinner in April.

**Closed Session**

None.

**New Business**

There was no new business.

**Adjournment**

Motion by Trustee Creviston and seconded by Trustee Mignano to adjourn the meeting. On voice vote Trustees Colella, Creviston, Kelleher, and Mignano voted AYE. No NAYS. Motion Carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

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Submitted by



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John A. Lobaito, Village Clerk

