VILLAGE OF NORTH BARRINGTON
ENVIRONMENTAL & HEALTH COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, September 1, 2026

Call to Order
The Meeting was called to order at 11:05 a.m.

Roll Call
Roll call was answered by Chairperson Steve Kahn and Lauren Preisen.

Also present was Administrative Assistant Sue Murdy.

Public Comment
There was no public comment.

Approval of Minutes from June 2, 2026 Environmental & Health Commission Meeting
Motion by Steve Kahn and seconded by Lauren Preisen to approve June 2, 2026, Environmental & Health Commission Meeting Minutes. On roll call, Chairperson Steve Kahn and Lauren Preisen voted AYE. No NAYS. Motion Carried.

Native Garden Contest Discussion
The Commission discussed a program that would recognize an assortment of plants planted by residents. There are many new residents to the Village, and the Commission made the decision to pause the Village Garden Walk until 2028. They will begin to promote the Garden Walk in 2027.

2026 Tree of the Year Discussion
The Commission discussed the nominations for the 2026 Tree of the Year. Lauren Preisen will design a flyer to hand out at the Fall Festival on September 27th, 2026. Administrative Assistant Sue Murdy will email the Commission the previous years nominations to be considered.

Brainstorming/Strategic Planning/Resident Survey-next steps
The Commission discussed ways to engage the community as well as encourage participation in gardening, conservation and cleanup of natural areas.

Old/New Business
Chairperson Kahn is working with President Sweet McDonnell to recruit new Commission members.

Chairperson Kahn stated the October 6, 2026, Environmental & Health Commission Meeting will be cancelled.

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Adjournment

Motion by Lauren Preisen and seconded by Chairperson Kahn to adjourn the meeting. On voice vote Chairperson Steve Kahn and Lauren Preisen voted AYE. No NAYS. Motion Carried.

The meeting of the Environmental and Health Commission was adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

Submitted by,

John Lobaito
Village Clerk

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