MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF NORTH BARRINGTON, WHICH WAS HELD THURSDAY, JANUARY 12, 2006, 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 Barbara Potter called the meeting to order and the Deputy Village Clerk called the roll:

Present: Chairman Barbara Potter, Susan Allman, Jackie Andrew, Ron Cobb, Kirk

Hamilton, Brian Thomson

Absent: Pat Ryan

Also Present: Mark Spreyer, 33 W. Penny Road, South Barrington

Bruce Kramper, 178 Pheasant Run Trail

Sue Manko, Deputy Village Clerk Trustee Liaison John Schnure

2. Introduce Trustee Liaison John Schnure

Chairman Barbara Potter introduced Trustee Liaison John Schnure to the Commission.

3. Approval of Past Minutes –December 1, 2005 "Special" Environmental Commission Meeting

The Minutes of the December 1, 2005 "Special" Environmental Commission Meeting were made available to the Commission.

Motion: Ron Cobb moved that the Minutes of the December 1, 2005 "Special" Environmental Commission Meeting be approved; seconded by Kirk Hamilton.

Discussion: There was no discussion.

Vote on Motion:

The voice vote was unanimous in favor.

Chairman Barbara Potter declared the Minutes of the December 1, 2005 "Special" Environmental Commission Meeting approved and put on file.

4. 110 Century Oaks Drive; Property of Dr. and Mrs. Douglas Principato Village Tree Ordinance, Section 5-3A-8: Appeal Announcement

Chairman Barbara Potter informed the Commission that a mutual settlement was reached between Dr. and Mrs. Douglas Principato and the Village of North Barrington in regards to the tree fine appeal. The appeal has since been withdrawn by Dr. and Mrs. Douglas Principato.

5. Leaf Burning

Village resident Bruce Kramper approached the Commission to express his ongoing concerns about the results of leaf burning in the Village. There was extensive discussion about the proper procedure for leaf burning and the need to educate the residents.

Motion: Ron Cobb moved that the Environmental Commission recommend to the Board of Trustees that a Town Meeting be held in September 2006 for Village residents to attend. Leaf burning will be discussed; seconded by Kirk Hamilton

Discussion: There was some discussion.

Vote on Motion:

By Roll Call:

Ayes: Chairman Barbara Potter, Susan Allman, Jackie Andrew, Ron

Cobb,

Kirk Hamilton, Brian Thomson

Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Pat Ryan

Chairman Barbara Potter declared the motion approved and the recommendation passed on to the Board of Trustees.

6. Village of North Barrington, Village Code Amendment (Amendment to Provisions Requiring Removal of Diseased Trees) Section 1: Section 5-3B-4A, Section 2: Section 5-3B-4B, Section 3: Section 5-3B-5, and Section 4.

There was extensive discussion about the current ordinance in place and the need to enforce removal of diseased trees by the resident after they have received notification of a diseased tree on their property. The Commission decided that no further action by them was necessary. Village Forester Susan Allman will compile some handouts on the subject of oak wilt and Dutch Elm disease.

Discussion of Tree Ordinance

There was extensive discussion about the current Tree Ordinance and the need to make some comprehensive changes. Chairman Potter would like to organize a sub-committee at the April 2006 Environmental Commission meeting to review the current ordinance.

8. Status of Deer Count

The contract with Christopher Burke and Associates has been finalized. A deer count flyover will take place once there is snow cover.

9. North Flint Creek Alliance/Flint Creek Watershed Partnership

Chairman Barbara Potter informed the Commission that she has been attending the Flint Creek Watershed Partnership meetings and is very pleased with their progress. She would also like to organize a meeting date for the North Flint Creek Alliance and invite the residents along Flint Creek in North Barrington to attend.

Motion: Ron Cobb moved that the Environmental Commission recommend to the Board of Trustees that the dates of April 24, 2006 and May 1, 2006 be set aside for a meeting of the North Flint Creek Alliance; seconded by Kirk Hamilton.

Discussion: There was some discussion.

Vote on Motion:

The voice vote was unanimous in favor.

Chairman Barbara Potter declared the motion approved and the recommendation passed on to the Board of Trustees.

10. Arbor Day Celebration

Village Forester Susan Allman reported to the Commission that the Village had once again been approved for the Tree City USA designation on the state level. She would like to plant a tree at the North Barrington School this year for Arbor Day. The Bald Cypress tree planted last year at Eton Park will most likely be replaced in the spring. The Commission will recommend to the Board that a resolution be passed declaring Arbor Day as April 28, 2006. The Commission will request that \$500 be allocated for an Arbor Day Celebration.

Motion: Susan Allman moved that the Commission recommend to the Board of Trustees that a resolution be passed declaring April 28, 2006 Arbor Day in North Barrington, and that \$500 be allocated for planting purposes; seconded by Brian Thomson.

Discussion: There was some discussion.

Vote on Motion:

By Roll Call:

Ayes: Chairman Barbara Potter, Jackie Andrew, Ron Cobb, Kirk

Hamilton,

Susan Allman, Brian Thomson

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Pat Ryan

Chairman Barbara Potter declared the motion approved and the recommendation passed on to the Board of Trustees.

11. Old/New Business

Trustee John Schnure informed the Commission that the item on the North Flint Creek Combined Action Item List which recommends replacement of the Woodland Drive culvert needed to be moved from the project category to the actual budget.

Motion: Ron Cobb moved that the Commission recommend to the Board of Trustees that sufficient funds be allocated for the replacement of the Woodland Drive culvert in the fiscal year 2007; seconded by Jackie Andrew.

Discussion: There was some discussion.

Vote on Motion: By Roll Call:

Ayes: Chairman Barbara Potter, Susan Allman, Ron Cobb, Kirk

Hamilton,

Jackie Andrew, Brian Thomson

Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Pat Ryan

Chairman Barbara Potter declared the motion approved and the recommendation passed on to the Board of Trustees.

The Commission briefly discussed the presence of coyotes in the Village.

12. Adjournment

Motion: Brian Thomson moved the Meeting be adjourned; seconded by Susan Allman.

Discussion: There was no discussion.

Vote on Motion:

ATTEST:

The voice vote was unanimous in favor.

At 9:00 p.m. Chairman Barbara Potter declared the Meeting adjourned.

These Minutes were approved at the Environmental Commission Meeting held April 13, 2006.

Sue Manko,	Deputy	Village	Clerk