

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF
NORTH BARRINGTON, WHICH WAS HELD THURSDAY, MAY 11, 2006, AT THE NORTH
BARRINGTON VILLAGE HALL
111 OLD BARRINGTON ROAD IN SAID VILLAGE

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

At 7:32 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, Pat Ryan, Kirk
Hamilton, Brian Thomson, Ron Cobb :

Also Present: Sue Manko, Deputy Village Clerk
Trustee John Schnure

2. Approval of Past Minutes-April 13, 2006 Environmental Commission Meeting

The Minutes of the April 13, 2006 Environmental Commission Meeting were made available to the Commission. There were some changes made to the Minutes.

Motion: Susan Allman moved that the Minutes of the April 13, 2006 Environmental Commission Meeting be approved as amended; seconded by Jackie Andrew.

Discussion: There was some discussion.

Vote on Motion:

The voice vote was unanimous in favor.

Chairman Barbara Potter declared the Minutes of the April 13, 2006 Environmental Commission Meeting approved and put on file.

3. Forester's Report

Susan Allman reported to the Commission that the Arbor Day celebration was a success. There was full participation from the 4th grade class at the North Barrington School. Susan passed around some pictures for review. A Hackberry tree was planted at North Barrington School.

Susan also mentioned that the Barn Nursery will replace the Bald Cypress tree planted last year at Eton Park, which was planted for last year's Arbor Day.

Susan plans on accessing tree damage within the Village right of ways shortly. Susan is concerned that very few trees removed in the Village right of ways are replaced. She would also like to see the 50/50 tree planting program continued, due to its popularity.

4. Bat Houses Update

The Commission discussed the installation of the bat houses at Eton Park. Brian Thomson has two bat houses at his shop and will be in touch with the Deputy Village Clerk to confirm their location.

5. Salt Usage Update

Brian Thomson stated to the Commission that this issue would be discussed at a later date. There is no action by the Environmental Commission to be taken at this point. The Commission acknowledged that they had made their recommendation known to the Board of Trustees.

6. North Flint Creek Alliance

Chairman Barbara Potter reported to the Commission that she had set a date for an initial homeowners meeting for the residents living along Flint Creek of June 26, 2006. Barbara also spoke with President Bruce Sauer and it was agreed that a more comprehensive plan incorporating North Flint Creek would be initiated. Chairman Barbara Potter will contact Trustee Jim Moran to discuss a long range plan further, since the Plan Commission would be involved.

Trustee John Schnure suggested that the Plan Commission and Environmental Commission communicate and be proactive in this matter.

The Commission discussed the fact that areas along Flint Creek are private property and therefore the homeowners responsibility.

The Commission discussed the time frame for sending out letters to the homeowners announcing the June 26, 2006 meeting.

Trustee John Schnure informed Chairman Barbara Potter that the Environmental Commission had an annual budget of \$10,000. John told the Commission they can spend up to \$1500 on an individual item/event without obtaining Board approval.

7. Flint Creek Watershed Partnership Update

Chairman Barbara Potter reported that she is most pleased with the progress being made in regards to Flint Creek. Several neighboring communities have also been attending the Flint Creek Watershed Partnership meetings. Chairman Barbara Potter complimented the Flint Creek Watershed Partnership on their involvement in Flint Creek.

8. Old/New Business

The Commission discussed the status of the leaf burning issue. Trustee John Schnure informed the Commission that the Board had taken no further action on this issue due to a lack of concern by the Village residents.

9. Adjournment

Motion: Pat Ryan moved the Meeting by adjourned; seconded by Ron Cobb.

Discussion: There was no discussion.

Vote on Motion:

The voice vote was unanimous in favor.

At 8:40 P.M. Chairman Barbara Potter declared the Meeting adjourned.

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

ATTEST:

Sue Manko, Deputy Village Clerk

