

VILLAGE OF NORTH BARRINGTON
ENVIRONMENTAL & HEALTH COMMISSION MEETING
MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, July 5, 2022

Call to Order

The Meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m.

Roll Call

Roll call was answered by Chairperson Linda Aylward, Vance Antoniou, and Kourtney Sellers.

Also present were Village Administrator John Lobaito, Trustee Liaison Martin Pais (attending remotely), Village Forester Susan Allman and Administrative Assistant Sue Murdy.

In accordance with the Governor's Executive Order #2020-07, in person attendance requirements under the Open Meetings Act have been suspended and relaxed.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Approval of Minutes from June 7, 2022 Environmental & Health Commission Meeting.

Motion by Vance Antoniou and seconded by Kourtney Sellers to approve the June 7, 2022, Environmental & Health Commission Meeting Minutes as amended. On roll call vote Chairperson Aylward, Vance Antoniou, and Kourtney Sellers voted AYE. No NAYS. Motion Carried.

Tree of the Year Program Discussion/Recommendation

The Commission reviewed the draft Resolution Establishing Tree of the Year Program composed by Village Administrator John Lobaito. There was discussion about the details of the specific selection committee, along with the criteria used to select the Tree of the Year. The possibility of including a story or intent (provenance) of the selected tree was also discussed. The Environmental and Health Commission would like to consult with the Village Forester when administering the program. The selected tree could also be located on public or private property. Wynstone Golf Club and Biltmore Country Club property would be considered for a Tree of the Year nomination.

Village Administrator Lobaito will incorporate the new wording into the Resolution. The Commission agreed that the administrative rules of the program may change over time when necessary.

Motion by Kourtney Sellers and seconded by Vance Antoniou to recommend to the Board of Trustees to adopt a Resolution establishing the Tree of the Year Program with changes as noted. On roll call Chairperson Linda Aylward, Vance Antoniou and Kourtney voted AYE. No NAYS. Motion Carried.

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50/50 Tree Program Discussion/Recommendation

The Commission reviewed the draft Ordinance for the 50-50 Tree Program put together by Village Administrator John Lobaito. The purpose of this program is to encourage the planting of trees by residents to ensure maintenance of green space and the natural environment. Administrator Lobaito explained some of the changes he incorporated into the Ordinance. He designed the tree cost sharing program along the lines of the Village culvert reimbursement program.

It was noted by some Commission members that the process discourages the residents from participating due to the amount of time they need to devote to enrolling in the program. Village Forester Susan Allman stated that administering the program is very time consuming to the Village and felt that the residents should participate more. The concept of a cost sharing in purchasing and planting the tree, with a maximum reimbursement by the Village of no more than \$300 was discussed. The program will be administered as first come, first served. There will be an application acceptance deadline established for the residents. Village Forester Susan Allman stated the fall is an optimal time to plant. Chairperson Aylward stated her concern for the time required of the residents to participate in the program. The Commission discussed requesting the residents to obtain two bids while purchasing their trees and suggested giving residents a preferred nursery that would offer a discount on the price of the trees. Planting of the tree by a professional service with a one-year guarantee will be required for reimbursement by the Village. A residential property may participate for the cost sharing program once per year.

There were changes and additions made to the language of the Ordinance. Village Administrator Lobaito will incorporate those changes into the final document.

Motion by Vance Antoniou and seconded Kourtney Sellers to recommend to the Board of Trustees to approve an Ordinance for a Cost Sharing Tree Planting policy on Private Property with changes as noted. On roll call Chairperson Linda Aylward, Vance Antoniou and Kourtney Sellers voted AYE. No NAYS. Motion Carried.

Old/New Business

Chairperson Aylward requested Village Administrator John Lobaito give the Commission an update on the proposed Thorntons project. Mr. Lobaito stated that the developer was tentatively scheduled to appear before the Board on July 20, 2022. There was no further update.

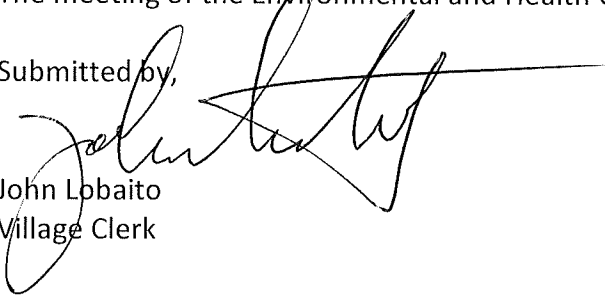
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Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Vance Antoniou and seconded by Kourtney Sellers. On roll call vote Chairperson Aylward, Vance Antoniou, Kourtney Sellers voted AYE. No NAYS. Motion Carried.

The meeting of the Environmental and Health Commission was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Submitted by,


John Lobaito
Village Clerk

