

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL AND HEALTH COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF
NORTH BARRINGTON, WHICH WAS HELD
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2021 AT
THE NORTH BARRINGTON VILLAGE HALL LOCATED AT
111 OLD BARRINGTON ROAD IN SAID VILLAGE**

Call to Order

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

Roll Call

Roll call was answered by Chair Linda Aylward and Commissioners Vance Antoniou, Lauren Preisen, and Kourtney Sellers.

Also present were Deputy Village Clerk Kris Lennon and Trustee Jackie Andrew.

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

Village President Sweet McDonnell determined that an in-person meeting was not practical or prudent because of the COVID-19 disaster, therefore, the meeting included audio and/or video conference. The Village followed social distance requirements for all meeting attendees and allowed remote attendance via Zoom.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

New Business

A. USDA/SWALCO Pilot Program

Chair Aylward addressed the E&H Commission and informed them that North Barrington will assist Solid Waste Agency of Lake County (SWALCO) in the development of a composting campaign for food scraps collection as part of a USDA grant that was recently awarded to SWALCO. There are four communities participating in the composting campaign which includes:

- North Barrington
- Grayslake
- Highland Park
- Lake Bluff

Chair Aylward explained that SWALCO's mission is to increase the generation and use of compost in municipalities to meet Lake County's 60% diversion goal. North Barrington consists primarily of residential properties although Chair Aylward noted there are two country clubs, an office park in Wynstone, and an elementary school.

It was noted that North Barrington is the only municipality that collects pet waste and meat.

Chair Aylward stated there are approximately 26 North Barrington residents currently using the food scrap collection service. SWALCO is looking for 3-4 resident volunteers to participate in an in-depth interview. Participants must be a curbside compost customer who does not serve on a committee and/or board. A \$25 amazon gift card will be awarded to participants for their feedback.

A three-person ad-hoc committee, consisting of Chair Aylward, Trustee Andrew and Trustee Kalinowski will attend meetings and provide feedback to assist with the development of the campaign.

Chair Aylward asked the E&H Commission for ideas and feedback.

Trustee Andrew stated that the program needs to be convenient for residents. She explained that she tried composting but ended up freezing the food scraps before placing them out on garbage day. Placing food scraps in outdoor bins, especially during the summer, invited bugs and odor. She suggested possible having a drop-off location.

Commissioner Antoniou noted that Wynstone residents cannot place any garbage bins outdoors. All bins must be stored in the garage.

The commission discussed possible drop-off locations for food scraps such as the Village Hall or near Wynstone's service entrance. Chair Aylward noted that she would research the idea of a drop-off location.

Also discussed were ways to promote food scrap composting such as creating a video/videos to be placed on social media via the Village's Facebook or Instagram Account. Chair Aylward and Commissioners Preisen and Sellers volunteered to create a video/videos to educate residents on how easy it is to compost food scraps at home with their families.

Approval of Minutes from the June 2, 2020 and December 21, 2020 Environmental & Health Commission Meetings

The June 2, 2020 Environmental & Health (E&H) Commission Meeting Minutes were unavailable.

Motion by Commissioner Antoniou and seconded by Commissioner Preisen approve the December 21, 2020 Environmental & Health Commission Meeting Minutes. On roll call vote Chair Aylward, Commissioners Antoniou, Sellers, and Preisen voted Aye. No Nays. Motion Carried.

Old Business

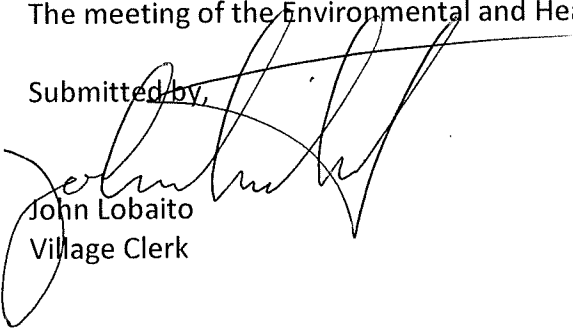
There was no old business.

Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Antoniou and seconded by Commissioner Sellers. On roll call vote Chair Aylward, Commissioners Antoniou, Sellers, and Preisen voted Aye. No Nays. Motion Carried.

The meeting of the Environmental and Health Commission was adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

Submitted by,


John Lobaito
Village Clerk

