VILLAGE OF NORTH BARRINGTON

ENVIRONMENTAL & HEALTH COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, November 5, 2024

Call to Order

The Meeting was called to order at 11:02 a.m.

Roll Call

Roll call was answered by Chairperson Linda Aylward, Steve Kahn and Lauren Preisen. Vance Antoniou was absent.

Also present was Village Forester Susan Allman and Administrative Assistant Sue Murdy.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Approval of Minutes from October 15, 2024 Environmental & Health Commission Special Meeting Motion by Lauren Preisen and seconded by Steve Kahn to approve the October 15, 2024, Environmental & Health Commission Special Meeting Minutes as amended. On roll call vote Chairperson Aylward, Steve Kahn and Lauren Preisen voted AYE. No NAYS. Motion Carried.

Discussion of 2024 Tree of the Year

The Tree of the Year Committee reviewed the three submittals for the 2024 Tree of the Year. Due to its age and beauty, the Bur Oak tree at 101 Carriage Way was the winning tree. Administrative Assistant Sue Murdy will send letters to the winning resident and thank you letters to all participants. Environmental and Health Commission Chairperson Linda Aylward had offered to also serve on the Tree of the Year selection committee.

The Commission decided to offer the residents whose trees were nominated for the Tree of the Year award the option to retain their nomination application on file for future consideration. Administrative Assistant Sue Murdy will amend this letter. Sue also mentioned that the 2023 Tree of the Year recipient still has not picked up their plaque.

Motion by Lauren Preisen and seconded by Steve Kahn to recommend the Bur Oak tree at 101 Carriage Road as the 2024 Tree of the Year. On roll call vote Chairperson Aylward, Steve Kahn and Lauren Preisen voted AYE. No NAYS. Motion Carried.

Old/New Business

Village Forester Susan Allman stated she is completing the application for Tree City USA. This 2024 application will mark the 25th year the Village will be a participant.

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Steve Kahn would like to begin planning the 2025 programs to be offered to the residents.

The Commission decided on a date of April 19, 2024, for the Village Arbor Day Celebration and Tree Planting at Eton Park. The Village staff will discuss how many saplings to order so that there are not too many left over.

The Commission also discussed the possibility of hosting a dog parade in conjunction with the Arbor Day celebration.

The Commission stated they would like to be involved in the new garbage disposal company discussions in 2025 as they feel the topic of food scrapping is important.

Adjournment

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

The meeting of the Environmental and Health Commission was adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

Submitted by,

John Lobaito Village Clerk