

VILLAGE OF BARRINGTON HILLS  
PLAN COMMISSION MEETING  
APRIL 14, 2008

The regular meeting of the Village of Barrington Hills Plan Commission was called to order at 7:32 p.m. by Chairman Bosworth.

Plan Commission Members Present: Kenneth Bosworth, Chairman  
Peter Grande  
Joseph Messer  
James O'Donnell  
David M. Stieper

Absent: Patrick Hennelly  
Lou Anne Majewski  
Michael Schmechtig

The Attendance Sheet is attached and made part of these Minutes.

**PREVIOUS MINUTES:** Consideration to approve the February 11<sup>th</sup> and March 10<sup>th</sup> Minutes was deferred to a subsequent meeting.

**FLINT CREEK WATERSHED PLAN:** Patsy Mortimer appeared before the Commission to explain the purpose of the Flint Creek Watershed Plan (FCWP) and advise on the current status of its goals and accomplishments. It consists of the following "Action Plans:"

- Programmatic Action Plan
- Site Specific Action Plan
- Green Infrastructure (Open Space) Plan
- Groundwater Recharge Plan
- Water Quality Monitoring Plan
- Information and Education Plan
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Specific projects are included in the plan to address stream bank erosion as well as general topics like outdoor curricula for schools. Projects are prioritized for completion in the next five to ten years or later. The basis for all projects is individual and local government stakeholders working together to promote activities that educate citizens about watershed issues and how to sustain a healthy watershed for future generations.

Konstantine Savoy of Teska Associates suggested including in the Comprehensive Plan areas the FCWP recommends for storages sites. The Commission agreed to that

recommendation. They also asked Ms. Mortimer to give Mr. Savoy any additional data she thought should be considered for inclusion into the revised Comprehensive Plan.

Ms. Mortimer advised that anyone interested in learning more about the FCWP should go to their website [www.flintcreekwatershed.org](http://www.flintcreekwatershed.org)

**COMPREHENSIVE PLAN REVIEW:** Konstantine Savoy of Teska Associates had distributed to the Commissioners a copy of the latest draft of the Comprehensive Plan. It included in red print additions that had been recommended by the Commission during their review at the last two meetings.

While discussing the section on Community Services, Mr. Savoy pointed out a new comment added to #14 under Community Character that strengthened the policies and statements regarding the Village's desire to keep light levels low. It was also suggested that the note at the beginning of this section regarding an intergovernmental agreement with Cuba Township as well as AT&T's installation of fiber optic infrastructure in the Village be included as part of #12's Objective.

Under Finances it was suggested to include the note as specific Objectives about the Village's fiscal year being changed to coincide with the calendar year and the recent establishment of a police pension fund.

Under Overall Strategy, there was a question as to whether to leave in specific reference to the Abbey Woods development which referenced a subdivision on the Village's periphery with less than 5 acre lot sizes. Robert Kosin believed it was important to include it in the Plan, as it represented a current example of site design techniques.

Mr. Savoy explained that parts of the new wording in A Context for Planning had been provided by the Mary Bradford-White of the Barrington Hills Conservation Trust. One of those was a new Focus Area to include the Horizon Farms Conservation easement administered by the Barrington Area Conservation Trust. It was also suggested a map be included as an Exhibit showing all the designated green space within the Village.

Ms. Bradford-White spoke of the importance of establishing Scenic and Heritage Highway classifications on roads throughout the Village that would meet the criteria. She specifically cited Brinker Road and Sutton Road, and suggested those residents be asked to voluntarily dedicate 10 feet of road frontage to the Village and the Trust to ensure the future quality and character of those roads. She added that zoning was not the best technique for such preservation, but rather the dedication of easements.

Mr. Savoy said the final draft could be completed by early May.

**Motion:** Commissioner Messer made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Grande, to present the recommended revision of the Comprehensive Plan to the Board of Trustees for consideration at a future public hearing. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

**OTHER BUSINESS:** Chairman Bosworth advised the Commission that at their next meeting they would be asked to review the Lighting Ordinance previously prepared by the Commission in 1998. If acceptable, it would be forwarded to the Zoning Board of Appeals for consideration at a public hearing. The ABZ would then have to forward its recommendation to the Board of Trustees.

**TURSTEE'S REPORT:** No report

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:17 p.m. after being so moved and seconded.

Respectfully submitted,

Lou Anne Majewski  
Recording Secretary