

*Village of Barrington  
Plan Commission Meeting  
Minutes Summary*

Date: November 11, 2014

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Village Board Room  
200 South Hough Street  
Barrington, Illinois

In Attendance: Harry Burroughs, Commissioner  
Richard Ehrle, Commissioner  
Todd Sholeen, Commissioner  
Dan Hogan, Vice Chairperson  
Anna Markley Bush, Chairperson

Staff Members: Jennifer Tennant  
Jean Emerick

*Call to Order*

Chairperson Bush called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll call noted the following: Harry Burroughs, present; Richard Ehrle, present; Dan Hogan, present; Todd Sholeen, present; Mike Ward, absent; Jeff Anderson, absent; Chairperson Anna Markley Bush, present.

There being a quorum, the meeting proceeded.

Chairperson Bush announced the order of proceedings and swore in those wishing to address the Commission.

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*New Business*

PC 14-05: Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment

Owner: Village of Barrington  
200 S. Hough Street  
Barrington, IL 60010

The Petitioner seeks approval of a Text Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance for the Village of Barrington for the purpose of amending Chapter 2 "Definitions", Chapter 4, Part I "General Regulations", Chapter 4, Part III "Landscape and Tree Preservation Regulations", Chapter 4 Part IV "Signs", Chapter 6 "Residential Districts" and Chapter 10 "Nonconformity".

Ms. Tennant said after discussion at a previous meeting, they wanted to add a definition to clarify the term "front façade." In Chapter 4, there is a rule that a resident cannot have ground-mounted equipment in their side yard setback. They wanted to clarify building-mounted and ground-mounted equipment. There was discussion about limiting accessory dwelling units to 800 square feet. The Board requested that they would rather this be made a special use. They will be considered on a case-by-case basis. In the Multiple Family District, accessory dwelling units will be permitted if they are actually serving a multi-family unit. Some things in Chapter 4, Part 3, Landscaping, conflicted with the Zoning Ordinance. They took all of the development landscaping out and added them to the development regulations. A list of allowable trees was also added.

Ms. Tennant said there was some confusion in the language in the Signs chapter. It is intended to mean one wall sign per business for first floor access. If a business has a rear entrance, they can have a second sign. Pole signs were not permitted in the A1 District, now they will have the same restrictions as the BR District. In the Residential Districts, there has been a complicated formula for calculating the area of the basement. The percentage of the floor area will be calculated for an English basement (25% of the square footage) and a full walk-out basement (50% of the square footage). The height will be measured at grade at the highest point above ground. In Chapter 10, there is a change to the non-conformity section. The Village of Barrington is trying to maintain the affordable housing we have. We are below the 10% threshold. We are hoping the changes will encourage people to improve their properties.

Commissioner Burroughs asked about the corner lots and the use of the word adjacent; a different word might be better.

Ms. Tennant will work with Attorney Bateman on the language to make it less ambiguous.

Commissioner Sholeen asked about the tree species; he is concerned about the tree list prohibiting all maple species because the sugar maple is indigenous.

Ms. Tennant will speak with the forester to clarify maple species.

Commissioner Burroughs moved and Commissioner Ehrle seconded the motion to approve PC 14-05 a Text Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance for the Village of Barrington for the purpose of amending Chapter 2 "Definitions," Chapter 4, Part I "General Regulations," Chapter 4, Part III "Landscape and Tree Preservation Regulations," Chapter 4 Part IV "Signs," Chapter 6 "Residential Districts" and Chapter 10 "Nonconformity."

Roll call Vote: Mr. Burroughs, yes; Mr. Ehrle, yes; Mr. Hogan, yes; Mr. Sholeen, yes; Mr. Ward, absent; Mr. Anderson, absent; and Chairperson Bush, yes. The vote was 5 – 0; the motion carried.

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Planners Report

Stratford Homes will be coming soon, maybe in December.

Approval of Minutes

October 28, 2014

Vice-Chairperson Hogan made a motion to approve the October 28, 2014 meeting minutes, Commissioner Sholeen seconded the motion. A voice vote noted all ayes, and Chairperson Bush declared the motion approved.

2015 Meeting Schedule

Commissioner Sholeen made a motion to approve the Plan Commission 2015 Meeting Schedule; Commissioner Ehrle seconded the motion. A voice vote noted all ayes, and Chairperson Bush declared the motion approved.

Adjournment

Commissioner Sholeen and seconded by Vice Chairperson Hogan to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Chairperson Bush declared the motion approved.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jean Emerick



Anna Bush, Chairperson  
Plan Commission