

MINUTES OF THE CONSERVANCY COMMISSION MEETING
OF THE VILLAGE OF SOUTH BARRINGTON
HELD FEBRUARY 17, 2009
AT THE SOUTH BARRINGTON VILLAGE HALL

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by acting Chairman Mr. Gerrard Murrin.

Roll call was taken.

PRESENT: Mr. Murrin, Mr. Lustig, Mrs. Munao, Ms. Gordon.

ABSENT: Dr. Koty, Mrs. Behal, Mr. Niedzinski. A quorum was present.

Also in attendance was Mayor Frank Munao.

Approval of the Minutes for the meeting held December 16, 2008 and January 20, 2009 was postponed until the next scheduled meeting.

Mr. Murrin stated that the first item on the agenda was the update of the Conservancy property. Mayor Munao distributed a letter that he had received from Jon Catlin, the Eagle Scout who had attended the last meeting and is interested in doing his service project at the Conservancy. Mayor Munao stated that Jon would be interested in doing several things that were discussed at the last meeting, including the possibility of designing the pamphlet for the tree walk. The Board agreed to have him design the pamphlet for the tree walk with their final approval. Ms. Gordon volunteered to work with Jon on what the Board would be looking for, and Mayor Munao stated that he will also work with him on the location of the trees. Mayor Munao further stated that he will also supply Jon with a full list of the trees. Mayor Munao stated that he will notify Jon of the Board's

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decision. Mr. Lustig suggested that the Board may want to ask Jon if he would like to do

even more than what was on the initial list. Mayor Munao stated that he will ask Jon and E-Mail the Board with his response.

Mayor Munao stated that he recently found out that the snow shoe program being conducted by LL Bean was moved to the Stillman Nature Center. Mayor Munao further stated that he had contacted the store manager and the gentleman he originally spoke to about having the program at the Conservancy, but was not able to get a clear answer of what happened. Mayor Munao stated that the Village had granted their permit request and they did mention in past conversations that they would like to have a storage shed for their equipment if possible. Mayor Munao further stated that this could be a possibility, however they never returned his call. Ms. Gordon stated that she would be willing to contact them again to see if they would be interested in doing some of their classes at the Conservancy. The Board agreed.

Mayor Munao stated that he will be working on finishing the budget very soon.

Joining the meeting was Mrs. Carol Neuhauser from the Community Enhancement Foundation of South Barrington who distributed a favorable E-Mail response that she had received from Groot Industries concerning the Conservancy. Mrs. Neuhauser stated that she spoke with Mr. Pierce from the Village, as was suggested, and Groot stated that they are willing to provide free weekly refuse collection at a fixed location for the Conservancy and the Park District. Mrs. Neuhauser further stated that they would also be willing to provide a steel refuse container or 95 gallon plastic carts. Mayor Munao stated that the steel containers would not work for the Conservancy, however they would need to get more

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information about the 95 gallon carts. Mayor Munao stated that they would need to know

if they are prone to theft and can they be used for recycling. Mayor Munao stated that he will have Mr. Pierce contact Groot concerning the receptacles. Ms. Gordon suggested that Groot may want to make a contribution towards receptacles that the Conservancy may purchase. Mayor Munao stated that they will need clarification from Groot to see what type of containers that they would be willing to pick up from. Mrs. Neuhauser stated that she will be talking to the Park District next week to let them know about Groots offer. The Board thanked Mrs. Neuhauser and her organization for their efforts. Mrs. Neuhauser stated that she thought it would be nice to have some type of recognition given to Groot for their contribution.

Mr. Murrin stated that the next item on the agenda was the preparations for the grand opening ceremony. Mr. Murrin further stated that it was discussed at the last meeting, because of time restraints, the Board may want to divide up into smaller committees to work on entertainment, food, and other items associated with the grand opening. Mrs. Munao stated that she had contacted the high school to see what entertainment groups might be interested, but she had not received a return phone call. Mr. Lustig stated that he will contact a band that he is familiar with to see if they might be interested. Ms. Gordon stated that she would work on the food and beverage portion and Mr. Murrin stated that he can get information and prices on portable washrooms. Mayor Munao stated that he will talk with the Village attorney to see what criteria must be met if they decided to serve wine and beer at the event. Mayor Munao further stated that they will also need to have a way to control the distribution of the liquor, possibly by ticket

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only. Mayor Munao stated that he will check to see if he can have a tent, tables and chairs possibly donated for the event. Mr. Lustig stated that he will check with the

person who runs the Barrington brat tent event and see what types of grills and other equipment they may have available. The Board also agreed that they will need to have a rain date for the grand opening event. Mr. Munao stated that he would like to have the event include some speakers to introduce the Board and acknowledge the people and organizations who have made contributions to the Conservancy. The Board also discussed having a flag ceremony and possible tours of the property conducted by the scouts. Mayor Munao stated that he will also try to contact an individual over at Crabtree Nature Center to see if she may be able to add anything to the Conservancy. The Board had a brief discussion concerning when the picnic tables should be ordered. The consensus of the Board was to possibly order the picnic tables by the end of March because of the lead time that the manufacturer may need, which could be six to eight weeks.

Mr. Murrin stated that the next item on the agenda was the letter to the residents. Ms. Gordon stated that she can E-Mail a final draft of the letter to the Board members for their review. The Board discussed possibly having the letter, final brochure, and grand opening announcement mailed out to the residents at the same time. Mayor Munao stated that the South Barrington Magazine has offered the Conservancy a free space each month in their magazine. Ms. Gordon stated that she would be willing to write an article about the Conservancy for the magazine.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be March 17, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

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Being no further business, Mr. Murrin asked the Board for a Motion to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Munao made a Motion. Mr. Lustig seconded. By unanimous decision the meeting

was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christine Latoria, Secretary

These Minutes were approved this 17th day
of March, 2009.