Minutes of November 22, 2011
Barrington Area Council of Governments Executive Board Meeting
at the Lake Barrington Village Hall

Members present: K. Darch, Barrington; R. Szymanski, Barrington Township; D. Nelson, Cuba Township; R. Abboud, Barrington Hills; B. Kellermann, Deer Park; A. Pino, North Barrington; J. Abbate, South Barrington; D. Parro, Tower Lakes.
Staff present: J. Agnoletti and J. Losinski. Others present: R. Casey, BACOG Treasurer; C. Martin, Lake Barrington; J. Lawler, Barrington; B. Battle, CUSD 220 School Board; S. McWilliams, Barrington High School; A. Rapa, Lake County Health Department.

The Board meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairman Darch at 7:15 p.m.

Minutes
Minutes of the October 25, 2011 meeting were distributed with the packet. Darch made motion and Abboud seconded to defer the minutes to the next board meeting due to not enough members present who attended the October 25, 2011 board meeting to approve the minutes. Motion passed.

Treasurer’s Report
The treasurer’s report for November 2011 was distributed with the packet and Casey reviewed the reports. Nelson moved and Abbate seconded to approve the treasurer’s report. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote. Casey reported he met with the auditors and he will review their suggestions for adjustments.

Public Comment/Community Reports
CUSD 220: Brian Battle reported the increase in the tax levy will be on the school board agenda; the teachers’ contract will expire at the end of school year; enrollment is slightly down; and approximately 15-16% of students participate in the free/reduced lunch program which is up from 8-9% just a few years ago. Battle said he is happy to do a joint tax session between BACOG and CUSD 220 in early 2012.

Appointment of BACOG Advisor to Barrington Area Chamber of Commerce
Agnoletti distributed information regarding the proposed appointment, as requested by the Barrington Area Chamber of Commerce. Abboud made motion and Pino seconded to appoint Barrington Township Supervisor Gene Dawson as BACOG Advisor to the Barrington Area Chamber of Commerce. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Appointment of Lake County Health Department Representative to Water Resources Committee (WRC)
A memo regarding a change in appointments was included in the packet. Agnoletti reported the change in appointment is to replace Larry Mackey with Arnie Rapa. Mackey has been a member of the committee for ten years and BACOG appreciated his work for the committee. Rapa has been attending the WRC meetings and is the point person at Lake County Health Department for the well water quality testing program. Nelson made motion and Parro seconded to replace Larry Mackey with Arnie Rapa on the WRC. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Intergovernmental Agreements on Reciprocal Report of Particular Criminal Offenses
A copy of the agreement between the Village of Barrington, the Barrington Police Department, and CUSD 220 was included in the packet. Brian Battle, Steve McWilliams, and Jeff Lawler reported on the intergovernmental agreement. The agreement provides for the sharing of certain information between the school and police departments to intervene in certain situations
involving students. CUSD 220 would like the other BACOG members to consider the agreement with their police departments. Discussion took place on the effectiveness of the agreement, earlier intervention, whether parents want this type of program, how minor offenses are handled at the high school, how the program can generate a helpful relationship between communities, the schools and the police, that the IGA can be modified, etc.

Groundwater

a. Report on BACOG November 14th Water Quality Testing Event. Guest Arnie Rapa, Lake County Health Department (LCHD), reported 66 test kits were sold and 61 test kits were returned for testing. Nine were positive for bacteria, none for E.coli bacteria, none for nitrates, and two tests were invalid due to chlorine in water or improper collection of water sample. LCHD followed up with the unsatisfactory tests. The next water sampling collection event is planned for March 2012. Agnoletti distributed graphs and charts prepared by the BACOG office showing participation in testing among the municipalities and townships.

b. Water Resources Committee: Agnoletti reported the “Know Your Water” brochure is printed and extra copies are available to members for their offices. Agnoletti distributed information on chlorides in groundwater that members can use for their newsletters and websites.

c. NWPA - WaterSense Partners. Information on WaterSense Partnership was included in the packet. WaterSense is a program sponsored by the US EPA that promotes water conservation and efficiency. Membership is free. The Northwest Water Planning Alliance is asking its members (BACOG is a member) to consider joining WaterSense.

d. Groundwater Directions Committee: The committee met twice in November and Agnoletti distributed a report from the Groundwater Directions group (Abboud, Darch, Leitner). Agnoletti reviewed the planned publications and consensus from board members is to proceed with them. The group suggested a presentation on road salting and de-icing operations at the January or February board meeting. Issues regarding public education and school involvement will be discussed at the January board meeting.

e. Gaylord and Dorothy Donnelley Foundation Grant Status Report. Abboud reported he will send an email with a status update.

Legislative

a. Veto Session: Darch reported the PTELL bill did not pass; CPPRT bill passed limiting the diversion to one year; the General Assembly will be back in session on November 29.

b. 2011 Legislative Action Report. Agnoletti distributed the report at the meeting and commended Losinski for her work preparing the report. The entire bill tracker, which tracks 76 bills through committee, voting in the General Assembly and any BACOG action, is on the “Member Communications” page of the BACOG website.

c. Legislative Committee. A draft of the 2012 Legislative Platform was distributed at the meeting and recommended by the Legislative Committee. Abboud made motion and Nelson seconded to accept the draft 2012 Legislative Platform and refer it out to members’ boards, with the intent of bringing it back for adoption at the January 24, 2012 Board meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

The 2011 Legislative Action Report and the recommended 2012 Legislative Platform will be emailed to the villages and township this week for distribution to their members.

Policy and Long-Range Committee

A copy of the Policy and Long-Range Committee report was included with the packet. Agnoletti reported the recommendation from the committee is for BACOG not to pursue a corporate sponsorship/membership program at this time. Nelson made motion and Abboud seconded to
accept the committee’s recommendation and not pursue corporate sponsorship/membership. Motion passed unanimously.

The committee’s recommendation for members to provide written proposals for changes to the BACOG work program along with their estimates of the costs involved in those changes was also contained in the report. A copy of the Executive Director’s work program for FY2011-12 and the BACOG FY2011-12 budget was included in the packet along with the report. Members should red-line out work items they do not wish to continue, and if there are new work items they wish BACOG to take on, they should write-in those items. The red-line version with accompanying cost changes should be returned to the BACOG office. Consensus from members is they will complete this exercise but they want to discuss it with their boards, and so will return it to the BACOG office by December 20th instead of the suggested due date.

Director’s Report
Agnoletti reported on the following:
- BACOG Annual Dinner: 61 were in attendance at the dinner.
- Well Monitoring Program: Agnoletti is working on an MOU to be used with villages who have approved participating and the Illinois State Geological Survey for well monitoring. Dr. Kurt Thomsen is developing the technical plan/protocol for BACOG.
- Northwest Water Planning Alliance (NEPA): The group met on November 10th and passed their bylaws.

Presidents’ and Supervisors’ Reports
- Tower Lakes: No report.
- North Barrington: Pino thanked BACOG on awarding them the Donald P. Klein award. He reported their trustees will review road projects.
- Cuba Township: Nelson reported Trustee Svacha passed away. He mentioned the Coast to Coast RX program was adopted.
- Lake Barrington: No report.
- Barrington Hills: Abboud reported electricity aggregation was approved and will be a spring referendum.
- Deer Park: No report.
- South Barrington: No report.
- Barrington Township: Szymanski reported on Coast to Coast Rx program and work that may be done at Center Cemetery.
- Barrington: Darch reported on the Chase Bank and Chuck Hines building demolition, December 12th meeting with developer to work with village, and the tree lighting ceremony on December 3rd.

Motion was made by Abboud and seconded by Nelson to adjourn the public meeting and go into Executive Session for purpose of discussing personnel issues; motion passed unanimously.

Executive Session
The regular board meeting adjourned to Executive Session at 9:39 p.m. on a roll call vote.

Open Session
On a motion by Nelson and second by Kellermann to re-open public session at 9:42 p.m.; motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote. On a motion by Abboud and seconded by Nelson, the public session adjourned at 9:43 p.m., motion passed unanimously.
Respectfully submitted,

Julie S. Losinski
BACOG Secretary