



MINUTES
VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING
226 CYPRESS LANE, PALM SPRINGS, FLORIDA 33461
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2020
6:30 PM

COUNCIL

- Mayor Bev Smith
- Vice Mayor Patti Waller
- Mayor Pro Tem Gary Ready
- Council Member Doug Gunther
- Council Member Joni Brinkman

ADMINISTRATION

- Village Manager Richard Reade
- Village Attorney Glen Torcivia
- Village Clerk Kimberly Wynn

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Smith called the regular Village Council Meeting to order at 6:34 PM.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Bev Smith, Vice Mayor Patti Waller, Mayor Pro Tem Gary Ready, Council Member Doug Gunther, Council Member Joni Brinkman (arrived at 6:38 PM), Village Attorney Glen Torcivia, Village Manager Richard Reade, and Village Clerk Kimberly Wynn

Absent: None

Staff present: Police Chief Thomas Ceccarelli, as Sergeant-at-Arms, Public Service Director Ron Eyma, Interim Library Director Josefina Maliska, Planning, Zoning, and Building Director Kim Glas-Castro, and Parks and Recreation Director Justin Lucas

3. INVOCATION

The Village Manager Richard Reade gave the invocation.

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Gunther led the Pledge of Allegiance.

5. ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, OR MODIFICATIONS, AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Village Manager Reade stated there were no additions, deletions, or modifications.

Vice Mayor Waller made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ready. The motion carries 5-0.

At this point, Mayor Smith introduced Battalion 10 District Chief, Mrs. Tracy Adams. District Chief Adams explained that Fire Rescue has eight (8) District Chiefs in Palm County and that the agency serviced from Jupiter to Boca Raton. The scope of her responsibilities covered six stations that include Palm Springs. Chief Adams has worked with the PBCFR for 22 years, (she would approach 23 years in November). Chief Adams talked about her family, then she thanked the community and Council for the opportunity to introduce herself.

6. CONSENT AGENDA *(Public Comment on Consent Agenda Items is permissible prior to voting)*

6.1 Resolution No 2020-33 - Approve Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Project Funding Agreement with Palm Beach County - Park Connector Pathway Project (Sub-Phase II - Davis Road [Greenbrier to Lakewood] - Construction)

[Proposed Resolution No. 2020-33 CDBG Park Connector Pathway](#)

[Proposed CDBG Grant Agreement - Park Connector Pathway Project-Sub-Phase II- Construction](#)

[Resolution No. 2019-07 - Park Connector Pathway - Community Development Block Grant - Sub-phase I](#)

6.2 Approve Miller Road Drainage Improvements Reconciliation (Change Order #4 & Close Out) (Task Order #213) - Public Service Department (FY 2020 Budget Funded - Stormwater Enterprise Fund) - TCLM Enterprises [Proposed Change Order No. 4 - TCLM Enterprises Change Order No. 3 - TCLM Enterprises Change Order No. 2 - TCLM Enterprises Change Order No. 1 - TCLM Enterprises Executed Agreement - TCLM Enterprises](#)

6.3 Acceptance of Utility Easement Agreement - Gardenia Avenue Extension - Kirk & Luella Wirkkala (The Wirkkala Family 2005 Revocable Trust)

[Proposed Utility Easement Agreement - The Wirkkala Family 2005 Revocable Trust - Gardenia Avenue Sketch & Description](#)

[Resolution 2016-64 Abandonment of ROW Aerial & Location Map - Gardenia Avenue](#)

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

Council Member Gunther made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Vice Mayor Waller. The motion carries 5-0.

7. PRESENTATIONS

7.1. Presentation of Plaque to Village Library in Honor of Jeanette J. Guerty

Ms. Josefina Maliska spoke presented this item on behalf of the Library. She read a letter into the record from Mr. Harold Guerty about his wife. Mrs. Guerty, a former Council Member, worked hard for Palm Springs to have a Library in the community. Mrs. Guerty passed away from cancer before seeing her efforts come to fruition. Ms. Maliska spoke of her appreciation from the Guerty family. Mayor Smith gave additional comments about Mrs. Guerty and her contributions.

7.2 City Government Month in Palm Springs - October 19-25, 2020

[Proclamation - City Government Month in Palm Springs](#)

Mayor Smith read the City Government Month proclamation into the record. She introduced Mrs. Maliska who accepted the proclamation and gave brief comments. Mrs. Maliska and Village Manager Reade talked about the mock Council Meeting that was proposed with the students on November 12, 2020.

7.3 National Friends of the Library Week Proclamation - October 16 - 22, 2020

[Proclamation - National Friends of Libraries Week](#)

Mayor Smith talked about the construction renovations and program improvements that took place at the library. Mayor Smith read the proclamation into the record. Friends of the Library Board Members Michelle Dunlop (Chairperson), Karen Gebo, and Lenore DiRienzo read letters into the record from library patrons: Ms. Peggy Van Arnhem, Glenda Dahler and Shinaiyah Havens, and gave brief comments. Everyone concurred, that the services provided by the library were appreciated, especially how they handled the COVID-19 pandemic.

7.4 Mediation Week Proclamation - October 11-17,2020

[Proclamation - Mediation Week](#)

Mayor Smith read the proclamation into the record. She noted the recipient would receive the proclamation later.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT *The public shall be limited to three (3) minutes to speak on agenda or non-agenda item(s)*

Mayor Smith opened the meeting to public comment; there were none.

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS

9.1 Proposed Ordinance No. 2020-11 - Village Comprehensive Plan Text Amendment - Water Supply Plan Update (*Second Reading*)

[Proposed Ordinance No. 2020-11 - Comprehensive Plan Amendments - 10-Year Water Supply Facilities Work Plan](#)

[Proposed Comprehensive Plan Amendments - 10-Year Water Supply Facilities Work Plan \(Exhibit "A" to Ordinance No. 2020-11\)](#)

[Proposed Water Supply Facilities Work Plan Revisions - Kimley-Horn Letter to the SFWMD - September 2020](#)

[Proposed Water Supply Capital Improvement Projects - 10-Year Water Supply Facilities Work Plan](#)

[Adopted 10-Year Water Supply Facilities Work Plan - Revised September, 2020](#)

Mayor Smith introduced this item. Village Clerk Wynn announced that Ordinance No. 2020-11; was advertised in the Lake Worth Herald. Village Attorney Torcivia read the title of the caption into the record. Village Manager Reade stated that the staff presented their presentation on First Reading. The proposed comprehensive plan amendments were submitted through the PBC Intergovernmental Plan Amendment Review Committee (IPARC) for intergovernmental review and no comments were received.

Village Manager Reade reiterated that the Planning & Zoning Board considered the proposed Water Supply Facilities Work Plan (2020-2030) and the related comprehensive plan amendments during their meeting on July 14, 2020, and recommended approval.

The Local Planning Agency (LPA) considered the proposed Water Supply Facilities Work Plan and related Village Comprehensive Plan amendments during its regular meeting on July 23, 2020, and recommended approval.

The proposed comprehensive plan text amendments were prepared by the Village's consulting engineers, Kimley-Horn, and reviewed by the Planning, Zoning & Building Director, Public Service Director, Village Attorney, Palm Beach County staff, and the South Florida Water Management District staff.

The proposed comprehensive plan text amendments were forwarded for state and regional agency review, including the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) and the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD). SFWMD requested

clarifications be made in the Water Supply Facilities Work Plan, which was minor, but no comments were raised on the comprehensive plan amendments. The revisions are administrative in nature, providing clarifications and do not affect the conclusions regarding water supply/demand projections or capital project needs through the planning period.

The proposed ordinance was approved by the Village Council on July 23, 2020 and is being presented for consideration on 2nd and final reading.

Note: Following final approval of the FY 2021 Budget (September 24, 2020), the 5-Year Schedule of Capital Improvements within the Capital Improvements Element will be formally amended to include the proposed water supply-related capital projects and to update the schedule based on the approved Capital Budget Plan (anticipated for the November 12, 2020, Village Council meeting).

10. ACTIONS AND REPORTS

10.1 Approve First Amended and Restated Village Manager Employment Agreement (Revised Information)

[First Amended and Restated Village Manager Contract](#)
[Village Attorney Letter to Council About Village Manager Employment Agreement Amendments](#)
[First Amended and Restated Village Manager Contract - Redline Version](#)

Mayor Smith introduced this item. She opened the meeting up for Council discussion. Mayor Pro Tem Ready began the discussion. He said that he supported the agreement. He noted that there was some compromise on both sides. Council Member Gunther concurred with Mayor Pro Tem Ready, that he supported that agreement. He thanked Village Manager Reade for the last seven years of service and looked forward to future years. He complimented his leadership, dedication, commitment, and the team of employees at the Village. Council Member Brinkman understood there were changes made that were acceptable to everyone. She spoke about her appreciation of Village Manager Reade's dedication to the Village. She reminded him of the importance to take time off for family and himself. Vice Mayor concurred with the other Council Members thoughts, and she supported the agreement.

Mayor Smith explained that she appreciated the Village Manager; however, she had concerns after she reviewed his contract. She said that it is the responsibility of the Council to act in the best interest of the Village. She wanted to be mindful that the actions (of the agreement) adhered to the Village Charter and Employees' Administrative Policies and Procedures.

Mayor Smith said that she supported an increase to the number of weeks in severance pay; the change is in line with other local cities and state laws. She does not support the

Village Manager getting paid out on his unused Administrative Leave Time upon separation. He is very involved in multiple associations and committees, hence the purpose of the administrative leave time days. He was very active with the many organizations, without having to use his vacation time. The Administrative Leave Days should not be paid out if he fails to use them. The Village Manager currently accrues Paid Leave Time (PLT) of an 11-year employee. He is currently able to receive the payout of an employee that is above and beyond the personnel policy. Besides, raising the hours does not incentivize the Village Manager to use the time, which is encouraged for the protection of the Village. Mayor Smith asked if the contract could be discussed further. The other Council Members supported their position that the Village Manager's employment agreement was fair and consistent and had no further comment.

Vice Mayor Waller stated that the agreement should be signed "as is". Council Member Brinkman mentioned that Council can go back to make changes. Mayor Smith advised them, once the agreement is signed, you could not go back. Vice Mayor Waller asked if the other employees were required to sign contracts. Mayor Smith stated that the Village Manager position is unique. The Council preferred to move forward and support the agreement as presented.

Council Member Gunther made a motion to approve the First Amended and Restated Village Manager Employment Agreement, second by Council Member Ready. The motion carries 4-1 (Mayor Smith dissenting).

11. VILLAGE MANAGER COMMENTS

Village Manager Reade thanked the Council Members for their support. He asked Mr. Lucas to describe the plans for the Halloween event. Mr. Lucas discussed the entrance and exit points of the event. The event is scheduled for October 22, 2020, from 6 PM - 7 PM, participants stay in their vehicles. The desire was to make this a Village event with Palm Beach County Fire Rescue involved.

Mr. Lucas then talked about the new bus wrapping and introduced the responsible local business. He said that the business agreed to design shields as masks for Halloween to promote the Village if there was interest.

Village Manager Reade then asked Public Service Director, Mr. Eyma, to discuss MIEX improvements that were completed. Mr. Eyma discussed the state of the water treatment plants. The Village is in a very good position. He is wanted to automate more of the processes to help overall productivity. Getting the Village back into competitions was also discussed. Eventually the MIEX project is scheduled to go out to bid. Mr. Eyma thanked his staff for an incredible job.

Village Manager Reade discussed City Government Month. He talked about "Read for the Record" and how the event would be held.

12. VILLAGE COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mayor Pro Tem Ready spoke about Breast Cancer Awareness Month. He discussed several additional events he attended. Council Member Gunther sent his thoughts and prayers to the people that lived on the Gulf Coast (Hurricane Delta was forecasted in the area). Council Member Brinkman talked about a public meeting that was scheduled to talk about 10th Avenue and I-95 traffic. She also mentioned that she saw a sample of the new aggregated walkway. Vice Mayor Waller, along with the other Council Members congratulated Village Manager Reade on his new agreement. She thanked the staff and Mayor Smith for her work. Mayor Smith asked Police Chief Ceccarelli were there any special plans for Halloween (traffic-control for Trunk-or-Treat Special Event). Police Chief Ceccarelli stated there were no plans, but they said that the police department can close off the parking lot on Davis to control traffic. Further discussion ensued on ways to handle candy distribution safely for Halloween in the neighborhood.

At this point, the Village Manager recognized Isabel Hernandez for recognizing Mr. Jamison (a centenarian that lives in the Village)

13. ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no further business Mayor Smith adjourned the meeting at 7:48 PM.

Next Meeting

Thursday, November 12, 2020 @ 6:30 PM

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by this Council with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, he will need a record of the proceeding, and that for such purpose he may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. Persons who need an accommodation in order to attend or participate in this meeting should contact the Village Clerk at (561) 965-4010 at least 3 business days prior to the meeting in order to request such assistance.

ATTEST:



Bev Smith, Mayor

The undersigned is the Village Clerk of Palm Springs, Florida, and the information provided herein is the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on October 8, 2020. Which minutes were formally approved and adopted by the Village Council on November 12, 2020.



Kimberly M. Wynn, Village Clerk

