



VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
226 CYPRESS LANE | PALM SPRINGS | FLORIDA 33461
MARCH 11, 2021 at 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 Bev Smith called the Village Council Meeting to order 6:35 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

Absent: None

Staff Present:

Village Attorney Glen Torcivia, Village Manager Richard Reade, Deputy Village Clerk Jane Worth, Sergeant-at-Arms Tom Ceccarelli, Police Chief, Assistant Village Manager Kim Glas-Castro, Interim Library Director Jossie Maliska, Interim Director Planning, Zoning & Building Iramis Cabrera, and Assistant Public Service Director Chad Girard, Information Technology Director Thomas Cook

2.1 Oath of Office for Newly Elected Council Members

Deputy Village Clerk Worth administered the oath of office to Mayor Smith (Mayor), Douglas Gunther (District #1) and Gary Ready (District #3). They will serve their new four (4) year term, ending March 11, 2025.

2.2 Resolution No. 2021-06 - Reorganization of the Village Council (Designating a New Vice-Mayor & Mayor Pro-Tem)
[Proposed Resolution No. 2021-06 - Council Reorganization - Designating a New Vice Mayor and Mayor Pro-Tem](#)

Council Member Brinkman recommended approval for Gary Ready to be Vice-Mayor and Douglas Gunther to be Mayor Pro Tem, and it was seconded by Council Member Patti Waller.

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| Motion: Joni Brinkman | Second: Patricia Waller | Vote: Motion Passed: 5 - 0 |
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3. INVOCATION

Village Manager Reade read the invocation.

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Brinkman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Village Manager Reade stated a plaque was received by FEMA - Community Reading System Designation (CRS) for the Village. Assistant Village Manager Glas-Castro would talk about it after Item #7.1.

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

Council Member Waller made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as amended, seconded by Vice Mayor Ready. Motion carries 5-0

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| Motion: Patricia Waller | Second: Gary Ready | Vote: Motion Passed: 5 - 0 |
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6.1 Approval of February 11, 2021 Regular Village Council Meeting Minutes
[February 11, 2021 Village Council Regular Meeting Minutes](#)

6.2 Appointment to the Joseph L. Fallon Scholarship Selection Committee
[Application - Kim Glas-Castro](#)

6.3 Appointments to the Library Board
[Application - Robin Hughes](#)
[Application - Lenore DiRienzo](#)
[Application - Michelle Dunlap](#)

6.4 Appointments to the Planning and Zoning Board
[Application - Johnnie Tieche](#)
[Application - James Mandigo](#)

- 6.5 Appointment to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
Application - Ms. Ashley Saingilus - Exempt Per F.S. Chapter 119
- 6.6 Approve Property Improvement Program (PIP) Matching Grant Award - 468 Los Alto Road
Property Improvement Grant Agreement - 468 Los Altos Road
468 Los Altos Road - Before and After Photos
- 6.7 Approve Body Worn Camera Equipment Purchase – Best Interest Acquisition - Police Department (FY 2021 Budget Funded) - WatchGuard
Proposed Resolution No. 2021-05 - Body Worn Cameras
Proposed Agreement - Watchguard
Body Camera Equipment Sale (Agreement) Addendum - Watchguard
Municipal Lease Documentation - Watchguard
5-Year Cost Proposal - Watchguard
IRS Form 8038-G: Information Return for Tax-Exempt Governmental Bonds
Village Attorney Email - Opinion Regarding Lease Purchase.pdf
Single Source Distribution Letter - WatchGuard
Village of Palm Springs Code of Ordinances - Sec. 58-11 Best Interest Acquisitions
- 6.8 Approve Professional Services Agreements - 2nd Amendment - Term Extension - Keshavarz & Associates, Calvin Giordano & Associates, Engenuity Group, Eckler Engineering
Proposed Amendment No. 2 - Agreement - Keshavarz & Associates Proposed
Amendment No. 2 - Agreement - Calvin Giordano & Associates, Inc.
Proposed Amendment No. 2 - Agreement - Engenuity Group Inc. Proposed
Amendment No. 2 - Agreement - Eckler Engineering, Inc.
- 6.9 Authorize Vehicle Purchase - Piggyback – IT Department (FY 2021 Budget Funded) - Florida Sheriffs Association/Florida Association of Counties (Auto Nation Chevrolet)
Bid Award - Florida Sheriffs Association & Florida Association of Counties
2021 Chevy Bolt EV Quote - Auto Nation
Contract Terms & Conditions - Florida Sheriffs Association & Florida Association of Counties
2021 Chevy Bolt EV Approved Bid Pricing - Florida Sheriffs Association & Florida Association of Counties
2021 Chevy Bolt EV - Available Vehicle Options - Florida Sheriffs Association & Florida Association of Counties
Village Code of Ordinances - Section 58-9 Assessing Contracts of Other Government Agencies
- 6.10 Approve Change Order No. 2 (Task Order No. 255 - Work Authorization WG-01 - Sub-Phase I) - Park Connector Pathway - Phase I - Alameda Drive (FPL Easement Agreement) - Parks and Recreation Department (FY 2021 Budget Funded - General Fund) - Wantman Group
Proposed Change Order #1 - Wantman Group
Aerial Map - Overhead Power Lines - Alameda Drive Proposed FPL Electric Utility Easement Form

6.11 Resolution No. 2021- 04 - Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) - FY 2022
Annual Project - Park Connector Pathway Project - Phase II (Sub-Phase II - IIa)
[Proposed Resolution No. 2021-04 - CDBG Grant Application](#)
[FY 2022 CDBG Allocation Funding Notification](#)
[Park Connector Pathway Map](#)
[CDBG Target Area Map](#)
[Proposed CDBG Agreement - Palm Beach County](#)

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Pro Tem Gunther made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as amended, seconded by Council Member Brinkman. Motion carries 5-0

Mayor Smith introduced Michael Costa who was present and very instrumental in the implementation of the Body Camera program for the Police Department. She wanted to say thank you for his help.

7. PRESENTATIONS

7.1 Florida Bicycle Month, Bike Rodeo & Mayor's Ride Proclamation - March 2021
[Proclamation](#)

Mayor Smith read the proclamation for Florida Bicycle Month and presented it to Alyssa Frank from the Palm Beach Transportation Planning Agency.

7.2 Lake Worth Beach Electric Utility Update - Ed Liberty - LWB Electric Utilities Director

Mr. Edward Liberty and Mr. Walter Gill from Lake Worth Beach Utilities presented a power point. Mr. Liberty stated the reliability needs to be improved, for the customers and that is what is being worked on. Revenue Bonds for Engineering and design of \$100,000,000 are dedicated to water and electric upgrades. Moving west of I-95, 25% or 44,000,000 customers receive utilities from LW Beach.

Mr. Gill gave a presentation with the figures showing the amount of dollars that have been spent on the customers of the West 13 as it was referred to.

Vice Mayor Ready stated FPL has a circuit breaker, if one line went out the second line would pick it up in case of storms, do you have anything like this? Mr. Liberty stated they will have the swap over system, this way when one system goes down, another can pick it up and keep it running. Vice Mayor Ready asked if FDOT would be contacting LW Utilities as they are doing improvements in case poles need to be relocated. Mr. Liberty answered yes and that would not be a problem.

Mayor Pro Tem Gunther asked how the utilities were rated in the state - Mr. Liberty stated they were about at the one third mark, the residential customer, 1,000-kilowatt hour is about 2% higher. They are very competitive.

Council Member Brinkman - whenever a new pole is installed, there have been poles left next to it as there are other utilities. Mr. Liberty stated they have what is called a pole agreement, a pole relocation.

Council Member Waller stated she was very happy they were getting the company going again.

Mayor Smith asked how many customers did LW Utilities service in Palm Springs – Mr. Liberty stated approximately, 16,000 West side is I-95. She also asked when the replacement is done, will it run into the school year. Mr. Liberty stated generally it will run into the school year. If the team realizes they need to shut the power down, a decision is made to when the best time to shut down.

Johnnie Tieche - 305 Winged Foot - stated to their credit (LW Utilities) - they have been very good to talk with Jim Schmitz in getting Congress Avenue up and running with lighting. Mr. Liberty appreciated the support and patience. He said that half of their crews are working a six (6) day work week to get this project moving along.

Mayor Smith thanked both gentlemen for the presentation.

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

Johnnie Tieche - 305 Winged Foot - stated he missed the last meeting. He has noticed signs around the Village regarding communications poles and it looks like they are right on top of our sewer systems. How is the Village handling this? Village Manager Reade stated the locations were being put out, there is a lot of work to do. Manager Reade stated there is a permitting process. Just because there is a sign there, it does not mean a pole will be going there.

Peggy Van Arman - 4077 Lucerne Avenue - she stated the discussion of right of ways has been coming up and said that her neighbors have huge motor homes backed up into the right of way. There were illegal structures built over the years on Gardenia, and she did not see how anyone could get in the back for the poles. She has talked to Planning and Zoning to inform them. Ms. VanArman said the presentation was somewhat good being a LW Utility recipient.

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 9.1 Resolution No. 2021-02 - Site Plan Amendment (SPR21-01) and One (1) Waiver -
The Oaks II - 1212 South Congress Avenue
[Proposed Resolution No. 2021-02 Site Development Plan Amendment 1212
S. Congress Avenue \(SPR21-01\)](#)
[Exhibit "A" - Staff Report & Conditions of Approval](#)
[Project Narrative and Justification Statement](#)
[Site Plan, Landscape Plans, Architectural Plans, Civil Plans and](#)
[Letters Resolution 2017-30 - Approved Site Plan](#)
[Color Site Plan and Color Rendering Quit-Claim](#)
[Deed - 1212 South Congress Avenue Aerial](#)
[Map and Location Map](#)

The statement of advertisement was read into the record by Deputy Clerk Worth. Mayor Smith asked the Village Council to disclose any ex parte communication; there was none. Deputy Clerk Worth swore in Ms. Rebecca Miller and Mr. Kevin Donahue.

The Village Manager read the staff's report into the record.

Ms. Rebecca Miller agent for the applicant 528 Northwood Road, WPB, gave a presentation and was available for any questions that needed to be answered. Ms. Miller wanted to first state Staff is phenomenal, from the moment she walked in from Ms. Kim to Ms. Iramis, they guided us and worked with very well with her team, very friendly and welcoming. Ms. Miller stated this was a fully entitled project, but there were additional beds added, everything else could have been handled through a minor site plan amendment. Ms. Miller stated there are forty nine (49) units with seventy two (72) beds. Couples sometimes want to come and remain living together as they age. Ms. Miller introduced Architect, Kevin Donahue, 2071 NW Boca Raton, presented a power point of the project and was available for any questions Council and Staff might have.

Vice Mayor Ready - asked about back up generators and their location. Mr. Donahue stated there was an outdoor generator - requirement is 96 hour run time, common areas are air conditioned. Mr. Ready also asked if there would be medical staff on site. Ms. Miller stated this was not managed as a nursing facility, there are nurses aides. Doctors and medical staff will come in to check their patients if they see fit.

Council Member Waller asked if there was an elevator. Mr. Donahue stated there were 2 elevators, and no one can be bedridden. Ms. Waller asked if the residents could use the facilities - hairdresser etc. Mr. Donahue stated yes this is their home.

Mayor Pro Tem Gunther stated he liked the color renderings. Great project. He also commented on the pond and Mr. Donahue stated it would be a dry pond.

Council Member Brinkman asked if the applicant was good with the residents not being able to have cars. Ms. Miller stated they were.

Peggy VanArman - 4077 Luzon Avenue - how many residents are in the wings and how many people are in the 2nd floor. Mr. Donahue, stated 1st responders will typically use the elevators horizontally from one area to another. Approximately 30 - 33 residents, plus Staff would be on the 2nd floor at one time. Ms. VanArman asked if fire drills were required by the State of Florida and Mr. Donahue stated yes. Village Attorney Torcivia read the title of the caption into the record.

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| Motion: Gary Ready | Second: Patricia Waller | Vote: Motion Passed: 5 - 0 |
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10. ACTIONS AND REPORTS

11. VILLAGE MANAGER COMMENTS

Manager Reade said congratulations to all that have been elected and the entire Council for all they do for the Village and Staff.

Digital Clouds - Manager Reade wanted to give the Council a heads up on that.

Pathway Park - ribbon cutting ceremony.

TPA Committee Representative - Ms. Glas-Castro Assistant Village Manager - will serve as the appointee and Ms. Cabrera serve as the alternate.

In the past Village Council had given him authority to approve extensions of the Special Magistrate, the agreement was expiring April 11, 2021, he stated the Village is happy with our present Magistrate and will continue to use the services provided.

Foxtail Palm Park issues with the lanyard, still work to be done.

Fire Station lease extension, still working on that.

Chad Girard, Kim Glas-Castro are continuing to work on the CRA sewer issue, and we will be meeting in April. Attorney Torcivia will be providing a draft for the agreement.

New Site Plans that have been submitted, potential Starbucks, residential and daycare plans also.

Leanna Collazo has designs from our buses and they are put on the vehicles.

Chief will have a workshop presentation on the police department addition.

Looking at property and talking with property owners, to buy to possibly build a community center, it is in the CIP and Sales Tax Funds.

Mayor Smith said that there is extra space in this building, but unfortunately there was not enough space in the Police Department.

Family first Corona Virus Act will expire in March. It was a requirement that the Village provide for 80 hours for staff. We would like to extend that to possibly 2 months, to give staff a peace of mind. Mayor Smith stated it should be extended to June.

This time last year we have shut things down. We would like to thank you on behalf of our staff.

12. VILLAGE COUNCIL COMMENTS

Vice Mayor Ready - stated he had his taxes with VITA Tax, then Watch a Truck. Thursday, March 18, 2021 he did the Doctor Seuss Video.

Friday March 19, 2021 - 2nd shot of corona virus.

Monday Salvation Board Meeting - only 3 members showed up.

Wednesday March 24, 2021 - 4 hours of ethics training FLC.

March 14, 2021 - Ethics training for PBC, completed for the year.

Happy Woman's Month and thank all the Departments for everything you do and who you are.

Mayor Pro Tem Gunther - congratulations to Mayor and Vice Mayor, thank you to Staff. Our staff does a wonderful job, and it was nice to hear the support from the presenter tonight. He stated he was concerned also with the signs that are going around and hope that we do get a hold on that and he knows communication is needed.

Council Member Joni Brinkman said congratulations to the newly elected officials. She thanked Staff for all they do. She commented on the Digital Divide and she hoped that the School District can work with residents also. Commented on Carol for the drainage district, it was really needed on that street. She also commented on the electrical vehicles purchased for the IT Department, maybe we can consider when we do electric charging stations, we might want to plan and purchase a few more stations.

Council Member Waller said Happy St. Patrick's Day and St. Josephs day. Thanked Staff for everything they do, and they do know that Staff is the one that keeps this place in the shape that it is. She also said Happy Easter.

Mayor Smith congratulated all elected officials. She said they did have a great team. Mr. Reade coming up with good ideas.

She wanted to thank Council Member Brinkman with all the time and effort that you have done on the Kirk Road improvement.

Manager Ready wanted to thank Council Member Brinkman and her hard work on the Kirk Road. Leanna Collazo informed everyone about the Easter event Thursday April 1, 2021. Residents were to register in advance, will be on major field and ages 1 thru 4, left field ages 8-10. There would be nothing else but the Egg Hunt. We do not want a large group to gather and be on the field at the same time, per CDC guidelines.


Mayor Smith also gave a message from Chief Smith of Lake Clarke Shores to Chief Ceccarelli. He wanted to extend his thanks to three (3) of our officers that extended their assistance in a domestic battery case, of which there was a convicted felon. Mayor Smith said thank you also for our officers that were involved, for everything they do for this Village.

13. ADJOURNMENT

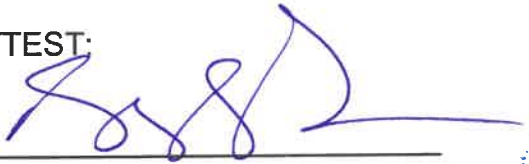
Next Meeting *Thursday, April 8, 2021 at 6:30 PM*

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.

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 **March 11, 2021** Which minutes were formally approved and adopted by the Village Council on **April 08, 2021.**


Jane R. Worth, Deputy Village Clerk

ATTEST:


Bev Smith, Mayor

