

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION
VILLAGE COUNCIL OF NORTH PALM BEACH, FLORIDA
FEBRUARY 13, 2020**

Present:

Darryl C. Aubrey, Sc.D., Mayor
Mark Mullinix, Vice Mayor
David B. Norris, President Pro Tem
Susan Bickel, Councilmember
Deborah Searcy, Councilmember
Andrew D. Lukasik, Village Manager
Len Rubin, Village Attorney
Jessica Green, Village Clerk

ROLL CALL

Mayor Aubrey called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. All members of Council were present. All members of staff were present.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Aubrey gave the invocation and Vice Mayor Mullinix led the public in the Pledge.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

On behalf of the Village Council, Mayor Aubrey presented an award and proclamation to Judy Pierman.

Judy Pierman expressed thanks and appreciation to the Council and the Village of North Palm Beach.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the Regular Session held January 23, 2020 were approved as written.

STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC, PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

These residents addressed the Council regarding their concerns about the Village's recreation vehicle ordinance:

John Frerking, 130 Cruiser Road South	Steve Luisi, 637 Dogwood Road
Eileen Frerking, 130 Cruiser Road South	John Baker, 852 Cinnamon Road
Catherine Garcia, 753 Anchorage Drive	Colby Briggs, 400 Oyster Road
John Samadi, 512 Marlin Road	Margaret Radanovich, 520 Inlet Road
Kathleen Wallenhorst, 909 Eucalyptus Road	Mark Wendt, 909 Laurel Road
Don Kazimir, 106 Gulfstream Road	Tamra Joyner, 541 Oyster Road
Jon Hart, 732 Cable Beach Lane	Joe Tucciarone, 525 Flotilla Road
Ryan Nagel, 136 Cruiser Road South	Greg Hoynack, 517 Lighthouse Drive
Beverly Gorman, 708 Lighthouse Drive	

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Bickel moved to approve the Consent Agenda. President Pro Tem Norris seconded the motion which passed unanimously. The following items were approved:

Motion – Approving a 45-day suspension of a Golf Member for violations of the Country Club Rules and Regulations.

Motion – Final Close Out, Release of Contractual Retainage, and Payment of Application #4 for the Pool Resurfacing Project at the North Palm Beach Country Club to Family Pools, Inc. in the amount of \$48,673.

Resolution – Approving an Interlocal Agreement with Palm Beach County for the use of Grant Funds for Emergency Medical Services Equipment; approving the sole source purchase of one Gaumard Sim-Manikin at a total cost of \$21,605, and the purchase of an extended warranty at a total cost of \$3,795; and authorizing execution of the Agreement.

Resolution – Confirming and approving a proposal from Kwik Rooter, Inc. d/b/a Kwik Plumbers to perform emergency repairs to the Osborne Park Building wastewater lateral at a total cost of \$13,767.84.

Resolution – Approving an Agreement for Vote Processing Equipment use and Elections Services with the Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections; and authorizing execution of the Agreement.

Receive for file Minutes of the Planning Commission meeting held 1/7/20.

Receive for file Minutes of the Golf Advisory Board meeting held 1/13/20.

Receive for file Minutes of the Audit Committee meeting held 1/22/20.

Receive for file Minutes of the Library Advisory Board meeting held 1/28/20.

RESOLUTION 2020-12 – AMENDMENT TO PROSPERITY HARBOR NORTH PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Mullinix and seconded by Councilmember Searcy to adopt Resolution 2020-12 entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF NORTH PALM BEACH, FLORIDA APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE PERIMETER LANDSCAPE PLAN FOR THE PROSPERITY HARBOR NORTH PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT; PROVIDING FOR A CONDITION OF APPROVAL; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Community Development Director Jeremy Hubsch explained the reason for the Amendment.

Councilmember Searcy asked if the landscaping had already been completed.

Mr. Hubsch stated that the landscaping had been started but not completed yet.

Councilmember Bickel asked why green island ficus plants would be included in the landscaping since they were not environmentally friendly.

Mr. Hubsch explained that the green island ficus plant was classified as a type of shrub in comparison to other types of ficus plants.

RESOLUTION 2020-12 – AMENDMENT TO PROSPERITY HARBOR NORTH PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT *continued*

Councilmember Bickel recommended encouraging the installation of a variety of landscaping throughout the Village as opposed to the same types of landscaping already installed.

President Pro Tem Norris recommended having actual landscape renderings to review in future landscape applications.

Thereafter, the motion to adopt Resolution 2020-12 passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION 2020-13 – FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT VENTILATION FANS PURCHASE

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Mullinix and seconded by Councilmember Searcy to adopt Resolution 2020-13 entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF NORTH PALM BEACH, FLORIDA APPROVING THE PURCHASE THREE RAM VENTILATION FANS FROM TEN-8 FIRE EQUIPMENT, INC. PURSUANT TO PRICING ESTABLISHED IN AN EXISTING LAKE COUNTY CONTRACT; AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND VILLAGE CLERK TO AMEND THE CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND BUDGET TO TRANSFER \$17,413.00 FROM THE CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNT TO THE FIRE – MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT CAPITAL ACCOUNT; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Fire Rescue Chief J.D. Armstrong explained the reasons for the ventilation fans purchase.

Mayor Aubrey asked if the fans were battery operated and utilized to remove smoke from burning structures.

Chief Armstrong stated that the fans were battery operated and that previously used gas powered fans would blow carbon monoxide back into the burning buildings.

Councilmember Searcy asked Chief Armstrong to explain the misting feature on the ventilation fans.

Chief Armstrong explained that when firefighters come out of a fire they are immediately rehabilitated and rehydrated. The fans can be fitted with a misting feature that blows water out in a fine mist to cool the firefighters during the rehabilitation process.

Thereafter, the motion to adopt Resolution 2020-13 passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION 2020-14 – FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT VEHICLE LEASE

A motion was made by Councilmember Searcy and seconded by Vice Mayor Mullinix to adopt Resolution 2020-14 entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF NORTH PALM BEACH, FLORIDA ACCEPTING A PROPOSAL FROM REV FINANCIAL SERVICES, LLC FOR THE LEASE OF A FREIGHTLINER AEV TYPE I MODULE RESCUE VEHICLE (AMBULANCE) ACQUIRED FROM ETR, LLC PURSUANT TO PRICING ESTABLISHED IN AN EXISTING FLORIDA SHERIFF'S ASSOCIATION CONTRACT; AUTHORIZING

RESOLUTION 2020-14 – FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT VEHICLE LEASE *continued*

THE VILLAGE MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE LEASE AGREEMENT AND RELATED DOCUMENTS; DECLARING ONE RESCUE VEHICLE (AMBULANCE) AS SURPLUS PROPERTY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Chief Armstrong explained the lease agreement for the new Fire Rescue vehicle.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council regarding the lease agreement and the new Fire Rescue vehicle.

Thereafter, the motion to adopt Resolution 2020-14 passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION 2020-15 – HERITAGE DAY AMUSEMENT RIDES

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Mullinix and seconded by Councilmember Bickel to adopt Resolution 2020-15 entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF NORTH PALM BEACH, FLORIDA ACCEPTING THE PROPOSAL SUBMITTED BY BIG FUN, INC. TO PROVIDE AMUSEMENT RIDES FOR HERITAGE DAY 2020 THROUGH 2022 AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND VILLAGE CLERK TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT FOR ON BEHALF OF THE VILLAGE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Acting Parks and Recreation Director Stephen Poh explained and discussed the three year contract with Big Fun, Inc. for the Heritage Day amusement rides.

Thereafter, the motion to adopt Resolution 2020-15 passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION 2020-16 – VILLAGE VEHICLES LEASE AGREEMENT

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Mullinix and seconded by Councilmember Searcy to adopt Resolution 2020-16 entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF NORTH PALM BEACH, FLORIDA APPROVING THE LEASE OF THREE NEW POLICE DEPARTMENT VEHICLES ACQUIRED FROM BARTOW FORD CO. PURSUANT TO PRICING ESTABLISHED IN AN EXISTING CHARLOTTE COUNTY CONTRACT AND EQUIPPED BY DANA SAFETY SUPPLY PURSUANT TO AN EXISTING CITY OF TAMPA CONTRACT, ONE NEW PUBLIC WORKS VEHICLE ACQUIRED FROM BARTOW FORD CO. PURSUANT TO PRICING ESTABLISHED IN EXISTING CHARLOTTE COUNTY CONTRACT, AND ONE NEW BUCKET TRUCK FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT ACQUIRED FROM ALTEC INDUSTRIES, INC. PURSUANT TO PRICING ESTABLISHED IN AN EXISTING SOURCEWELL CONTRACT; APPROVING A FIVE-YEAR LEASE AGREEMENT WITH PINNACLE PUBLIC FINANCE INC.; DECLARING FIVE EXISTING VEHICLES AS SURPLUS PROPERTY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Public Works Manager Susanne Hachigian explained and discussed the new vehicles lease agreement and which vehicles would be replaced. Mrs. Hachigian discussed and explained the features and specifications of the new bucket truck for the Public Works Department.

RESOLUTION 2020-16 – VILLAGE VEHICLES LEASE AGREEMENT *continued*

Discussion ensued between Mrs. Hachigian and Council regarding the new vehicles that will be purchased and the interest rate on the new lease agreement.

Thereafter, the motion to adopt Resolution 2020-16 passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION 2020-17 – AMENDMENT TO COMPREHENSIVE PAY PLAN

A motion was made by Councilmember Bickel and seconded by President Pro Tem Norris to adopt Resolution 2020-17 entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF NORTH PALM BEACH, FLORIDA AMENDING THE COMPREHENSIVE PAY PLAN ADOPTED AS PART OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2020 BUDGET TO INCLUDE THE POSITION OF DEPUTY POLICE CHIEF AND INCREASE THE RANGE FOR MERIT INCREASES FOR DEPUTY POLICE CHIEF AND POLICE CAPTAIN; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mr. Lukasik explained the reasons for amending the Comprehensive Pay Plan. The Amendment was a result of the Council's consensus at a prior meeting to change Captain Coliskey's title to Deputy Chief, raise Captain Coliskey and Captain Dallesandro's base salaries by 4%, and increase the maximum potential merit increase from 5% to 7%.

Thereafter, the motion to adopt Resolution 2020-17 passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION 2020-18 – COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH FPE

A motion was made by President Pro Tem Norris and seconded by Vice Mayor Mullinix to adopt Resolution 2020-18 entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF NORTH PALM BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE AND THE FEDERATION OF PUBLIC EMPLOYEES AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND VILLAGE CLERK TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE VILLAGE; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mr. Lukasik discussed and explained the changes to the Collective Bargaining Agreement with FPE. Mr. Lukasik stated that the contract would end September 30, 2022 and that it was not anticipated to have a negative impact upon the Village's adopted budget.

Thereafter, the motion to adopt Resolution 2020-18 passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION 2020-19 – COUNTRY CLUB FORCE MAIN RELOCATION AND ADA-COMPLIANT SIDEWALK INSTALLATION CONTRACT

A motion was made by President Pro Tem Norris and seconded by Vice Mayor Mullinix to adopt Resolution 2020-19 entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF NORTH PALM BEACH, FLORIDA APPROVING A CONTRACT AWARD TO D.S. EAKINS

RESOLUTION 2020-19 – COUNTRY CLUB FORCE MAIN RELOCATION AND ADA-COMPLIANT SIDEWALK INSTALLATION CONTRACT *continued*

CONSTRUCTION CORP. FOR THE RELOCATION OF A FORCE MAIN AND THE INSTALLATION OF AN ADA COMPLIANT SIDEWALK AT THE NORTH PALM BEACH COUNTRY CLUB PURSUANT TO PRICING ESTABLISHED IN AN AGREEMENT FOR MISCELLANEOUS PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS WITH THE CITY OF PALM BEACH GARDENS AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND VILLAGE CLERK TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT ON BEHALF OF THE VILLAGE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Special Projects Director Chuck Huff explained and discussed the reasons for and scope of the project.

John Samadi, 512 Marlin Rd. expressed his concerns about the project.

Thereafter, the motion to adopt Resolution 2020-19 passed unanimously.

VILLAGE COUNCIL MATTERS/REPORTS

Mayor Aubrey gave an overview of Mr. Lukasik's performance evaluation scores.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Mullinix and seconded by Councilmember Searcy to give Village Manager Lukasik a 5% salary increase retroactive for year one, a 5% salary increase retroactive for year two and a 5% salary increase for year three beginning on Mr. Lukasik's employment anniversary date.

Thereafter, the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Lukasik thanked Council for his evaluation and salary increase. Mr. Lukasik stated that he appreciated the Council's confidence in him and he and his family enjoy living in the Village.

Mayor Aubrey asked for an update on the employee parking lot at the Country Club.

Mr. Lukasik stated that the employee parking lot had been paved and striped. Employees at Farmer's Table were instructed to use the parking lot but have had not begun doing so and staff at the Country Club were going to continue their efforts in instructing them to park in the new parking lot.

Councilmember Bickel stated that the Waterways Board was not meeting regularly and recommended reviewing the functions and mandates of the Waterways Board.

Councilmember Bickel recommended having Judy Pierman implement and lead a junior council or committee in order for the youth of the Village to get involved in the community.

Councilmember Searcy thanked and commended the Friends of the Library for their fund raising efforts at the Library book sale.

Councilmember Searcy asked if there would be a workshop to discuss various membership options at the Country Club.

VILLAGE COUNCIL MATTERS/REPORTS *continued*

Mr. Lukasik stated that he and staff would be meeting to discuss the various membership options at the Country Club and wanted to involve Farmer's Table in the process.

Councilmember Searcy recommended reviewing the functions and mandates of all of the Village's Advisory Boards and Committees.

Councilmember Searcy asked if the timing of the traffic light at the Country Club could be inspected.

Mr. Lukasik stated that there was a timing loop that was disrupted at the Country Club traffic light which has been fixed.

Councilmember Searcy stated that she would be providing information for future discussion on the timing of the Village's Council meetings. Councilmember Searcy stated that the Village has the latest start time for Council meetings than all other municipalities in Palm Beach County.

Vice Mayor Mullinix stated that Principal Theresa Stoupas would be coming to speak to the Council regarding the upcoming 10 year anniversary of The Conservatory School at North Palm Beach. Vice Mayor Mullinix asked the Council to consider giving Ms. Stoupas a letter of commendation and discussed Ms. Stoupas' background and accomplishments.

Discussion ensued between the Council regarding whether to give Ms. Stoupas a letter of commendation and establishing a guideline or policy for letters of commendation.

The Council came to consensus to give Ms. Stoupas a letter of appreciation when she comes to a future Council meeting to discuss The Conservatory School's 10 year anniversary.

Vice Mayor Mullinix asked if Council was going to address the residents who came and expressed their concerns regarding the recreation vehicle ordinance.

Mayor Aubrey stated that he would take the resident's concerns into consideration and would meet with staff to discuss and address the issues at a future workshop.

VILLAGE MANAGER MATTERS/REPORTS

Mr. Lukasik gave an update and details regarding Seacoast Utilities' project on Northlake Boulevard.

Police Chief Richard Jenkins gave an Annual Police Report. Chief Jenkins reviewed and discussed the response time analysis, crime statistics and revenue generated by the Police Department over the past year.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 9:40 p.m.


Jessica Green, MMC, Village Clerk