

Agenda Item No. C - 1

VILLAGE OF ROYAL PALM BEACH
Agenda Item Summary

AGENDA ITEM: Approval of the minutes of the Council Regular Meeting of December 17, 2020.

ISSUE: It is necessary for Village Council to approve all Village Council meeting minutes.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Motion to Approve

| Initiator | Village Manager Approval | Agenda Date | Village Council Action |
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| Village Clerk | | 1/21/21 | |

**VILLAGE OF ROYAL PALM BEACH
MINUTES OF COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
VILLAGE MEETING HALL
*FACE MASK MUST BE WORN INSIDE VILLAGE MEETING HALL
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2020
6:30 P.M.**

Ways to Participate

- In Person: Public may participate in person at the Village Meeting Hall, 1050 Royal Palm Beach Boulevard, Royal Palm Beach, FL 33411. Physical attendance will be governed by current public health directives and shall be limited to ensure adequate social distancing to provide a minimum of six feet of open space between all persons physically present.
- Computer, Tablet, Smartphone: Public may participate remotely by joining GoToWebinar from your computer, tablet or smartphone via www.royalpalmbeach.com/webmeetings.
- Telephone: Public may listen only via phone remotely by dialing United States +1 (914) 614-3221, Webinar ID: 491-832-435, Access Code: 277-216-407.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Mayor Fred Pinto
Vice Mayor Jeff Hmara
Councilwoman Selena Samios
Councilwoman Jan Rodusky
Councilman Richard Valuntas

All members of the Council were present along with the Village Manager and Village Clerk. The Village Attorney joined via virtual “GotoWebinar”.

REPORTS

Mayor Pinto reported on the Transportation Planning Agency Board meeting and the South Florida Transportation Summit meeting. He summarized by saying the focus of both is to get away from building more roads and to come up with alternate solutions such as public transportation. He announced that he was reappointed as Chair and Vice Mayor Weinroth was reappointed Vice Chair to the TPA. A presentation is planned for the concepts of first mile, last mile as well as generating a new funding source. Mayor Pinto reported that FDOT gave an update on the State Road 7 project noting it has been redesigned and modified to address the environmental concerns raised by the City of West Palm Beach. He added that the roadway would be bid out in 2021 and construction beginning in 2022.

Councilwoman Samios reported on the Recreation Advisory Board where the Village Engineer gave an update on the Surtax projects that include the FPL pathway lighting, lighting at Bob Marcello Park, sporting center improvements and the continual roadway-resurfacing program. She said that dance and yoga programs are now being held at the Recreation Center. Friday nights at Royal Palm Beach Commons Park will have alternate concert/movie nights through April. She reported that both temperature scanners are up and running at the Recreation and Cultural Centers. She thanked the Recreation Advisory Board,

Sports Board Presidents and Coaches for their dedicated service to the children over the past year. Councilwoman Samios reported on a meeting with Jimmy Petrone of the Florida CFO where discussions were held on state liability and increased insurance rates. She referred anyone with questions to MyFloridaCFO.com. She announced that the new Community Connections is available. She toured the new assisted living facility, Inspired Living, located on Southern Boulevard. She thanked the staff for all the holiday decorations throughout the Village. Councilwoman Samios wished retiring Principal Makowski of H.L. Johnson all the best and wished everyone a Happy Healthy Holiday and New Year.

Councilman Valuntas said that Royal Palm Beach High School tentatively announced that graduation will be held on June 8th with hopes of holding it at the Fairgrounds, but was subject to change. He also cautioned everyone to be extra careful near the road construction on Crestwood Boulevard.

Vice Mayor Hmara reported on the Education Advisory Board meeting where two schools were showcased, Western Academy Charter School and H.L. Johnson Elementary School. He also recognized Principal Jennifer Makowski on her retirement from H.L. Johnson at the end of the year and wished her the best. He announced that Royal Palm Beach High School will be 25 years old next year and Principal Armas plans events throughout the year to celebrate. Vice Mayor Hmara also announced that Feeding South Florida will continue at Commons Park every Wednesday through January and that NBC News crews did a live report recently at the site. He referred anyone that would like to donate to feedingsouthflorida.org/donate/now. He thanked the Parks & Recreation staff as well as the volunteers for their efforts during the food drive. He congratulated the Mayor on becoming Chair of the Transportation Planning Agency and announced that he has been appointed Vice Chair to the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council.

Councilwoman Rodusky reported on programs to assist with rent or utilities and referred them to the website needhelppayingbills.com or phone 561-845-4644. She congratulated Healthy Partners who have now moved into the medical office building on the corner of Okeechobee Boulevard and Royal Palm Beach Boulevard. Healthy Partners focus is on bringing together health plans, physicians and patients (mostly seniors) to improve their health and wellness through Medicare Advantage and Value Based Care. She wished everyone a Happy Holiday and a Prosperous, Healthy New Year.

The Village Manager reported that the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day celebration will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, January 18th at the Cultural Center with limited attendance and will be live streamed virtually as well.

PETITIONS – None

STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS OR CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS - None

CONSENT AGENDA

The Village Clerk read into the record the Consent Agenda as follows:

1. **Approval of the minutes of the Council Regular Meeting of November 19, 2020. (Village Clerk)**
2. **Approval and authorization to purchase four (4) vehicles from Duval Ford in an amount not to exceed \$144,938.00 by piggybacking the Florida Sheriffs Association Light Vehicle Contract FSA20-VEL28.0 Heavy Equipment and Trucks FSA20-VEH 18.0. (Director of Public Works)**
3. **Approval of bid award and authorization for the Village Manager to enter into an agreement with Professional Concessions, Inc., the sole responsive, responsible proposer, to provide alcoholic beverage sales in Commons Park. (Director of Parks & Recreation)**
4. **Approval and authorization for the Village Manager to execute the First Addendum to the Professional Services Agreement for Urban Forestry Services in order to extend the agreement for the first renewal period ending January 1, 2022. (Director of P & Z)**
5. **Approval of a Special Event Permit for the Village of Royal Palm Beach to hold “Concert and Movie Night and Gourmet Truck Expos” at Royal Palm Beach Commons Park every Friday night beginning January 2021 through April 2021 from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. (Director of P & Z)**
6. **Approval and authorization, in accordance with established policy, to make a budget amendment for Fund 303 in the fiscal year 2020/2021 Budget. Said amendment to transfer a total of \$36,000 from Equipment Replacement (PW2001) to Okeechobee Lighting Replacement (PW2108). (Finance Director)**

Vice Mayor Hmara made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda; seconded by Councilwoman Rodusky. Mayor Pinto put the motion to a vote and it passed unanimously.

REGULAR AGENDA

1. **Public hearing for second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 1009, amending Chapter 24. Utilities. at Section 24-27. Authority for Service Charges. in order to add language allowing exemption from the imposition of the stormwater utility fee; providing that each and every other section and sub-section of Chapter 24. Utilities. shall remain in full force and effect as previously adopted; providing a conflicts clause, a severability clause and authority to codify; providing an effective date; and for other purposes. (Village Manager)**

The Village Manager stated this is a minor modification to the stormwater utility fees to allow for certain exemptions.

After confirming with the Village Clerk and the Village Manager there were no public comments, Mayor Pinto closed public comment with no response.

Councilman Valuntas made a motion to approve; seconded by Vice Mayor Hmara. Hearing no discussion, Mayor Pinto put the motion to a vote and it passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Fred Pinto

Diane DiSanto, Village Clerk