



**ISLAMORADA, VILLAGE OF ISLANDS
REGULAR VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING**

**Founders Park Community Center
87000 Overseas Hwy
Islamorada, FL 33036
May 10, 2012
4:00 PM**

I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Mayor Reckwerdt called the meeting to order at 4:11 p.m. and requested Deputy Village Clerk Kyrie Wagner to call the roll. The following Council members were present on roll call: Councilman Don Achenberg, Councilman Ted Blackburn, Councilman Dave Purdo, Vice Mayor Ken Philipson and Mayor Michael Reckwerdt.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Reckwerdt invited Deputy Martin Digrius to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. PRESENTATIONS

A. Presentation to Deputy Martin Digrius

Mayor Reckwerdt presented Deputy Martin Digrius with an appreciation plaque for his efforts in saving a life. Captain Corey Brian and Colonel Rick Ramsay thanked Deputy Digrius for all his hard work and effort.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Reckwerdt invited public comment and there was none.

Councilman Purdo thanked John and Bernie Cooper of Venetian Shores for their donation of nine traffic vests to the Islamorada District of the Sheriff's Department for use by Islamorada Officers.

V. AGENDA: Request for Deletion / Emergency Additions

There were no additions or deletions.

VI. CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE UPDATES

A. Parks and Recreation Citizen's Advisory Committee – Chairperson Carolyn Wightman

Chairperson Wightman presented a report to Council. Vice Mayor Philipson would like the Parks and Recreation Committee to add event parking to the duties and obligations of the Committee. Councilman Purdo suggested the committee look into a ship store at the Founder's Park Marina.

B. Water Quality Improvement Citizens' Advisory Committee – Chairperson David Makepeace

Committee Chairperson presented a Power Point to Council regarding a dependent wastewater district.

Marty Waits outlined the responsibilities of the dependent wastewater board.

Deb Gillis spoke regarding board members being elected and only having appointed board members until election time.

Stan Margulies spoke regarding ongoing issues with wastewater and offered options for solving these issues such as, a dependent or independent wastewater board, having wastewater engineers on staff and developing a relationship with the Florida Keys Aqueduct Authority (FKAA). Council consensus was to have the Committee continue their research and follow up with Council at a later date.

Councilman Purdo requested the status of Designating the Whale Harbor Joe Roth, Jr. Bridge. The Village Manager advised it would be on the May 24th agenda.

VII. WASTEWATER MATTERS

A. Wastewater Update

Tom Brzezinski of Wade Trim reviewed the snapshot.

Councilman Purdo spoke regarding open ended contracts, private roadways, contract insurance and liability, change orders and cost of asphalt materials.

Vice Mayor Philipson spoke regarding the status of fixed prices, research for potential pump stations and negotiations regarding those potential sites.

Dr. Susan Hammaker, Commissioner, Key Largo Wastewater Treatment District presented Councilman Blackburn with a plaque for his patience and fortitude and going above and beyond the call of duty as the liaison from the Islamorada Village Council to the Key Largo Wastewater Treatment District.

Wastewater Program Director Greg Tindle reported on the four potential pump station sites.

Larry Barr spoke regarding wastewater and back billing of wastewater.

The Village Council agreed to have staff prepare a cost and use comparison among the potential pump station sites and to explore an alternative for the Southwinds Property.

Stan Margulies spoke regarding wastewater issues and forming a relationship with the FKAA.

Jim Bellizi spoke regarding sewerage private roads, plans becoming available regarding the sewerage and the number of house attached to any single can.

VIII. QUASI-JUDICIAL

A. Application for Major Conditional Use Approval (MJ-11-02) by Monte W. Green

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF ISLAMORADA, VILLAGE OF ISLANDS, FLORIDA, CONSIDERING THE REQUEST BY MONTE W. GREEN FOR MAJOR CONDITIONAL USE APPROVAL FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A 18,325 SQUARE FOOT MINI STORAGE WAREHOUSE AND ONE CARETAKER'S COTTAGE ON PROPERTY LOCATED AT 86430 OVERSEAS HIGHWAY ON PLANTATION KEY, AS LEGALLY DESCRIBED IN EXHIBIT "A;" WITHIN THE INDUSTRIAL (I) ZONING DISTRICT; PROVIDING FOR THE TRANSMITTAL OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Village Attorney James White read the title of the ordinance. Deputy Village Clerk Kyrie Wagner gave the oath to the witnesses. Council members disclosed exparte communications. Senior Planner Kevin Bond gave the staff report.

Jim Bellizi gave comments regarding the proposed project.

Councilman Achenberg requested the following be added as the 9th condition: A transplation and restoration plan prepared by a qualified biologist shall be required prior to issuance of any building permits, pursuant to Code Section 30-1615. All transplation and restoration shall be completed prior to issuance of any Certificate of Occupancy.

Vice Mayor Philipson made a motion to adopt the resolution as amended. The motion received a second from Councilman Blackburn. Deputy Village Clerk Kyrie Wagner called the roll and the motion passed 4-0 with Councilman Purdo abstaining.

IX. RESOLUTIONS

- A. Proposed Resolution Approving an Affordable Housing Agreement Between Islamorada, Village of Islands, Florida and Monte W. Green

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF ISLAMORADA, VILLAGE OF ISLANDS, FLORIDA, APPROVING AN AFFORDABLE HOUSING AGREEMENT WITH MONTE W. GREEN; AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATE VILLAGE OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING AGREEMENT AND ANY ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS PERTAINING TO THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING AGREEMENT AND TO TAKE ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING AGREEMENT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Village Attorney James White read the title of the resolution. Senior Planner Kevin Bond gave the staff report. Mayor Reckwerdt invited public comment and there was none. Councilman Achenberg made a motion to adopt the resolution. The motion received a second from Vice Mayor Philipson. Mayor Reckwerdt called for the vote and the motion passed 4-0 with Councilman Purdo abstaining.

X. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes:
April 26, 2012 Regular Village Council Meeting
May 1, 2012 Special Village Council Meeting

Vice Mayor Philipson made a motion to adopt the consent agenda. The motion received a second from Councilman Purdo. Mayor Reckwerdt called for the vote and the motion passed 5-0.

XI. ORDINANCES

There were no additional ordinances.

XII. RESOLUTIONS

There were no additional resolutions.

XIII. MOTIONS

There were no motions.

XIV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

XV. MAYOR / COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

- A. Discussion Regarding Crocodiles (Mayor Reckwerdt)**
The Village Council consensus requested an item be placed on a future agenda regarding crocodiles.
Jim Bellizi spoke regarding crocodiles.
- B. Discussion Regarding No Additional Commercial Facilities at Founders Park (Vice Mayor Philipson)**
Vice Mayor Philipson advised he is opposed to any additional commercial space at Founders Park.
- C. Proposal Regarding Sewer Connection Cost for Affordable Housing**
Senior Planner Kevin Bond gave the staff report.
The Village Council requested that staff bring back a more definite proposal.
Mayor Reckwerdt invited public comment and there was none.

Councilman Blackburn exited the meeting at 6:22 PM.

XVI. VILLAGE ATTORNEY / VILLAGE MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS

- A. Request for Direction – Insurance Broker for Commercial Lines of Insurance**
Finance Director Maria Aguilar gave the staff report.
The Village Council consensus agreed to waive the competitive bidding to secure commercial lines of insurance for the FY 12-13 renewal. After considering the additional programs and services offered by Florida Municipal Insurance Trust (FMIT), the Village Council agreed that the Village should continue its current relationship with them.
Mayor Reckwerdt invited public comment and there was none.
Vice Mayor Philipson made a motion to approve. The motion received a second from Councilman Purdo. Mayor Reckwerdt called for the vote and the motion passed 4-0. (Councilman Blackburn was absent)
- B. Request for Direction – Auditor Engagement**
Finance Director Maria Aguilar gave the staff report.
The Village Council requested that staff bring back a summary of requirements to future meeting.
Mayor Reckwerdt invited public comment and there was none.
Vice Mayor Philipson made a motion to approve the audit engagement with Cherry, Bekaert and Holland, LLP, for the final one-year engagement term. The motion received a second from Councilman Achenberg. Mayor Reckwerdt called for the vote and the motion passed 4-0. (Councilman Blackburn was absent)
- C. Update on FEMA Pre Disaster Mitigation Program**
Finance Director Maria Aguilar gave the staff report.
Jim Bellizi spoke regarding the pre disaster mitigation grant.
Stan Margulies thanked staff for a job well done and suggested that staff discuss the item with the Florida Keys Electric Cooperative (FKEC).

Finance Director Maria Aguilar reported that the staff will submit an application to the Florida Division of Emergency Management (FDEM) and will report back to the Village Council as soon as the Village receives a response.

- D. Right-of-Way in Stratton's Subdivision (Vice Mayor Philipson)**
Vice Mayor Philipson requested staff move forward with the \$7,900 May 2012 price quote for updated and completed survey of right-of-way.
The Village Council agreed unanimously.
- E. Lighthouse Display Project (Councilman Purdo)**
Councilman Purdo requested the Lighthouse Display Project be removed from the Islamorada, Village of Islands Actions and Policy Status Report.
- F. Cancelling June 14th Regular Village Council Meeting**
Village Manager Edward Koconis advised the Village Council that he and other members of the staff will be out of town for the regularly scheduled Village Council meeting. Village Manager advised the Council that Mary Swaney will be available to take his place in his absence. The Village Council agreed to cancel the June 14, 2012 Regular Village Council Meeting.
- G. Staff Attendance at Council Meetings (Mayor Reckwerdt)**
Mayor Reckwerdt commented regarding the requirement for staff attendance at Village Council meetings only when there is an item on the agenda that pertains to them. He requested that staff discuss this idea and report to the Council at the next meeting.

XVII. ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Achenberg made a motion to adjourn. The motion received a second from Councilman Purdo. All were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

Approved by the Village Council on May 24, 2012.


Kyrie Wagner, CMC
Deputy Village Clerk