



ISLAMORADA VILLAGE COUNCIL

**Special Call Village Council Meeting
Islamorada Founders Park Community Center
87000 Overseas Highway
Islamorada Community Center
Islamorada, Florida 33036**

**Tuesday, June 5, 2012
At 5:30 PM**

I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Mayor Reckwerdt called the meeting to order at 5:38 p.m. and requested Village Clerk Debra Eastman 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 Donna Gleason to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Reckwerdt invited public comment.

Ron Levy spoke in favor of moving forward with the wastewater construction contract and SRF loan.

George Speerin spoke in opposition to the proposed site of the pump station on Lower Matecumbe.

John Crocker spoke in opposition to moving forward with wastewater until more funding is obtained and in favor of the step system.

Hermine Zavar spoke in opposition to the proposed site of the pump station on Lower Matecumbe.

David Makepeace spoke in favor of moving forward with wastewater and urged the Council to make the best decision.

Larry Barr questioned information from staff that the step system is not compliant.

Fay Dailey expressed concern with the environment with regard to a pump station on Lower Matecumbe and requested that the neighborhoods be informed of any plan to build a pump station and suggested neighborhood meetings.

Donna Gleason requested that the neighborhoods be advised appropriately of the intent of the Village to build a pump station.

IV. WASTEWATER MATTERS

- A. Approval of the Resolution Authorizing State Revolving Fund
Preconstruction Loan Application and Agreement Number WW88202**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF
ISLAMORADA, VILLAGE OF ISLANDS, FLORIDA, RELATING
TO THE STATE REVOLVING FUND LOAN PROGRAM
PROJECT NUMBER WW88202; MAKING FINDINGS;
AUTHORIZING THE LOAN APPLICATION; APPROVING THE
LOAN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE AND THE
STATE OF FLORIDA, DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL
PROTECTION; ESTABLISHING PLEDGED REVENUES;
DESIGNATING AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES;**

**PROVIDING FOR EXECUTION; PROVIDING AUTHORITY;
PROVIDING FOR ISSUANCE FEES AND TRANSACTION
COSTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

Village Attorney Nina Boniske read the title of the resolution. Finance Director Maria Aguilar explained the loan process and that approval of the resolution is the next step. Vice Mayor Philipson commended staff for preparing the documents in a timely manner. Councilman Achenberg made a motion to adopt the resolution. The motion received a second from Vice Mayor Philipson. Village Clerk Debra Eastman called the roll and the motion passed 5-0.

**B. Approval of Design Build Operate Agreement with Islamorada
Water, LLC**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF ISLAMORADA,
VILLAGE OF ISLANDS, FLORIDA APPROVING THE DESIGN,
BUILD AND OPERATE (DBO) AGREEMENT BETWEEN
ISLAMORADA WATER, LLC AND ISLAMORADA, VILLAGE OF
ISLANDS, TO DESIGN, BUILD AND OPERATE THE VILLAGE'S
WASTEWATER SYSTEM; APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF A
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-327(h) OF
THE VILLAGE'S CODE OF ORDINANCES; AUTHORIZING
VILLAGE OFFICIALS TO IMPLEMENT THE TERMS AND
CONDITIONS OF THE AGREEMENT; AUTHORIZING THE
VILLAGE MANAGER TO EXPEND BUDGETED FUNDS;
AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE
AGREEMENT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

Village Attorney Nina Boniske read the title of the resolution. Wastewater Program Director Greg Tindle explained the process and cost reductions. Mayor Reckwerdt invited Tom Brzezinski of Wade Trim to review the current draft of the agreement with Islamorada Water, LLC. Mr. Brzezinski identified each change within the document and answered questions from Council members.

At 7:06 p.m. Mayor Reckwerdt called for a break. The meeting resumed at 7:30 p.m.

Mayor Reckwerdt urged public comment throughout the discussion. Stan Margulies spoke about the negotiation process and urged the Village Council to build the sewer project in sections and to reject the contract. Joe Ziemek spoke about private funding and bench marking. He urged the Village Council to go back and to seek a better price. Jim Bellizi agreed with Mr. Margulies and urged the Village Council to reject the agreement. Mr. Bellizi spoke regarding soil removal and the stockpile of soil.

The Village Council agreed that it was advisable to continue to operate the NPK plant for a period of time before sending that flow to Key Largo. The Village Council agreed it was their preference that AECOM hire local contractors and requested that a statement be placed on the exhibit 12 approving local contractors that the Village will move expediently to approve any other local contractor.

Stan Margulies spoke about the need for fill in areas of the Village and in favor of a gravity system. Larry Barr spoke about the materials that are required to fill around pipe.

Vice Mayor Philipson suggested that the architecture of the pumping station buildings be in keeping with the surroundings.

Deb Gillis spoke in favor of customizing the pumping stations to the specific area where it is built.

Tony Hairston Raftelis Financial Consultants, Inc. provided a projection of rates and assessments.

Village Attorney Nina Boniske questioned Brian Stitt of AECOM regarding whether changes in the agreement as directed by the Village Council during the meeting were acceptable to them. Mr. Stitt explained their commitment to value engineering. After further discussion, the Village Council agreed to include a 50/50 split for value engineering and Mr. Stitt also agreed to that change on behalf of AECOM.

Village Attorney Nina Boniske clarified that if there is clean fill, that can be used by the Village and that it belongs to the Village. She further clarified that the contract will direct what should be done with any other soil. The Village Council concurred.

Councilman Achenberg made a motion to adopt the resolution with the amendments that were discussed. The motion received a second from Councilman Blackburn. Village Clerk Debra Eastman called the roll and the motion passed 4-1 with Councilman Purdo voting in opposition.

V. VILLAGE COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

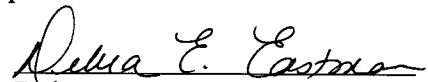
Vice Mayor Philipson indicated that he will be attending the Florida League of Cities conference in August and volunteered to act as the Village Council Delegate. All were in favor.

VI. VILLAGE ATTORNEY / VILLAGE MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS

There were no Village Attorney or Village Manager Communications.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilman Achenberg to adjourn. The motion received a second from Councilman Purdo. The meeting adjourned at 10:50 p.m.


Debra E. Eastman, MMC
Village Clerk

Approved by the Village Council this 28th day of June, 2012.