



**MINUTES
VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING
226 CYPRESS LANE, PALM SPRINGS, FLORIDA 33461
OCTOBER 7, 2021
6:30 PM**

COUNCIL

Mayor Beverly Smith
Vice-Mayor Gary Ready
Mayor Pro Tem Doug Gunther
Council Member Joni Brinkman
Council Member Patti Waller

ADMINISTRATION

Interim Village Manager Michael Bornstein
Village Attorney Glen Torcivia
Village Clerk Kimberly Wynn

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Bev Smith called the Special Meeting to order at 6:30 PM

2. ROLL CALL:

Present: Mayor Beverly Smith, Vice-Mayor Gary Ready, Mayor Pro Tem Douglas Gunther Council Member Patti Waller and Council Member Joni Brinkman

Absent: None

Also present at the meeting were: Village Attorney Glen Torcivia, Interim Village Manager Michael Bornstein, Village Clerk, Kimberly Wynn, Police Chief, Tom Ceccarelli as Sergeant-in-Arms, Assistant Village Manager, Kim Glas-Castro, and Director of Parks and Recreation, Justin Lucas

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Vice-Mayor Ready led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. ADDITIONS, DELETIONS OR MODIFICATIONS, AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Mayor Smith requested to change the order of the Agenda. She noted there was an item added to the agenda as Item 6.4., Approve Palm Beach County Police Benevolent Association (PBA) Agreement –Wage Amendment – Across the Board and Merit Increase. Mayor Smith requested Item #6.3., Approval of Interim Village Manager Agreement - Michael Bornstein, be moved as the first item on the agenda.

Vice-Mayor Ready made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. It was seconded by Council Member Waller. The motion carried 5-0.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT (Three-minute limit)

Mayor Smith offered the public an opportunity to comment. There was none.

6. ORDER OF BUSINESS

6.3. Approval of Interim Village Manager Agreement - Michael Bornstein

- [Letter and Agreement to the Mayor and Council - Interim Village Manager](#)

Village Attorney Torcivia summarized the item.

Mayor Pro Tem Gunther made a motion to approve an agreement appointing Michael Bornstein as Interim Village Manager. It was seconded by Council Member Brinkman. The motion carried 5-0.

6.1 Service Employees International Union/Florida Public Services Union (SEIU/FPSU) Agreement - Three (3) Year Contract (October 1, 2021 - September 30, 2024)

- [2021 -2024 SEIU Collective Bargaining Agreement](#)
- [Rodrigo Hidalgo - Email from SEIU Representative](#)
- [2021-2024 SEIU Strikethrough Version - Collective Bargaining Agreement](#)

Mayor Smith introduced the item and asked Village Attorney Torcivia to present. Village Attorney Torcivia complimented SEIU and staff. He discussed highlights of the agreement. He said the SEIU Agreement must get ratified before members receive an across-the-board increase.

Mayor Smith offered the public an opportunity to speak on the item. There were no comments.

Council Member Waller made a motion to approve the Service Employees International Union/Florida Public Services Union (SEIU/FPSU) Agreement - Three

(3) Year Contract (October 1, 2021 - September 30, 2024). Vice-Mayor Ready motioned a second. The motion carried 5-0.

6.2 Recommendation of Appointment to the General Employees' Pension Board of Trustees - Village Manager Designee

- [Kim Glas-Castro Application is Available Upon Request](#)

Mayor Smith introduced this item and gave a brief presentation. She explained that the resignation of former Village Manager Reade left a vacancy on the General Employee Pension Board. The new rules (Ordinance No. 2021-XX) provide that the Village Manager (or their designee) sits on the board.

Council Member Waller supported Assistant Village Manager Glas-Castro as the designated member on the board. Council Member Waller supported Assistant Village Manager Glas-Castro as the designated member on the board. Mayor Pro Tem Gunther requested an update with getting members recruited on the board. Council Member Waller supported Assistant Village Manager Glas-Castro as the designated member on the board. Mayor Pro Tem Gunther requested an update with getting members recruited on the board. Council Member Patti Waller discussed efforts to recruit board members. Mayor Pro Tem Gunther talked about his concern about not having a quorum. Mayor Smith suggested additional training offered to members. Council ensued in further discussion about the state of the General Employees' Pension Board.

Council Member Brinkman made a motion to approve the Interim Village Manager's appointment of Assistant Village Manager Glas-Castro to the General Employees' Pension Board. Mayor Pro Tem Gunther made a second. The motion carried 5-0.

Mayor Smith offered the public an opportunity to speak.

Officer Sean Grant – Police Department, 230 Cypress Lane, Palm Springs – Officer Grant stated that he served on the Police Employees' Pension Board.

6.4 Approve Palm Beach County Police Benevolent Association (PBA) Agreement –Wage Amendment – Across the Board and Merit Increase (*ADDENDUM*)

- [2019-2022 PBA Agreement](#)

Mayor Smith introduced the item. Village Attorney Torcivia discussed the negotiations.

Mayor Pro Tem Gunther if the 3% increase is a lump sum for topped out PBA employees. Village Attorney Torcivia said he was not positive, but he believed that topped-out employees receive an across-the-board increase. The topped-out employees do not receive a merit increase.

Chief Ceccarelli explained that the 3% increase is each pay period as an increase in pay.

Vice-Mayor Ready made a motion to Approve Palm Beach County Police Benevolent Association (PBA) Agreement –Wage Amendment – Across the Board and Merit Increase contingent upon the PBA's acceptance to ratify the agreement. There was a second by Council Member Waller. The motion carried 5-0.

Mayor Smith asked that Village Council Comments get added to the meeting. Council Member Brinkman said that residents asked her if there were plans on the website to show where the underground transformers got installed. She received additional questions about FPL's installation of underground transformers.

Assistant Village Manager Glas-Castro stated that FPL worked with affected residents over the past couple of years. Only the residents affected were contacted. The Village has the right-of-way application of the residents. Council Member Brinkman asked if something could go out Village-Wide about the underground project.

Council Member Brinkman said residents asked about sidewalks not being installed in certain areas. She suggested an inventory of the streets with and without sidewalks and possibly a program to address where there is a need or desire for sidewalks. She mentioned Carol Street is an area of concern.

Further discussion ensued among the Council about sidewalks and wrap on the transformer box around the Village.

The Council welcomed Interim Village Manager Bornstein.

7. ADJOURNMENT:

Hearing no further business, Mayor Smith adjourned the Special Meeting at 6:33 PM.

The undersigned is the Village Clerk of Palm Springs, Florida, and the information provided herein is the Minutes of the Special Meeting held on **October 7, 2021**.

Kimberly M. Wynn

Kimberly M. Wynn, Village Clerk

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) 584-8200 ext. 8431 at least three (3) business days prior to the meeting in order to request such assistance.