



**VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES,
VILLAGE HALL - COUNCIL CHAMBERS
226 CYPRESS LANE VILLAGE OF PALM SPRINGS, FLORIDA
JULY 13, 2023 at 6:30 PM**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bev Smith called the Village Council Regular Meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

ROLL CALL

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

Absent: None

Also Present: Village Manager Michael Bornstein and Village Attorney Glen Torcivia, Village Clerk Kimberly Wynn, Assistant Village Manager Kim Glas-Castro, Police Captain Peter Buhr as Sergeant-in-Arms, Planning, Zoning and Building Director Iramis Cabrera, Assistant Public Works, and Director Timothy Crespo.

INVOCATION

The Village Manager, Mr. Bornstein, led the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Village Council led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADDITIONS, DELETIONS OR MODIFICATIONS, AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Village Manager indicated there were no changes to the Agenda.

Council Member Ready made a motion to approve the Agenda as present. Vice-Mayor Brinkman seconded the motion. The said motion carried 5-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Smith offered public comment. There was none.

Vice-Mayor Brinkman made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Council Member Gunther seconded the motion. The said motion carried 5-0.

1. **Approval of June 22, 2023, Village Council Regular Meeting Minutes:** Motion for the approval of June 22, 2023, Village Council Regular Meeting Minutes. Staff: Kimberly Wynn, Village Clerk

2. **Appointment to the Planning and Zoning Advisory Board:** Motion for the approval of the appointment of Ms. Brenda Browning to the Planning and Zoning Advisory Board as a Senior Alternate member to serve a three-year unexpired term ending on May 14, 2026.

Staff: Kimberly Wynn, Village Clerk

SUMMARY: Currently, there are two (2) Alternate Board member vacancies due to the resignation of Senior Alternate member Larry Saingilus on the Planning and Zoning Advisory Board.

Ms. Brenda Browning has applied and expressed an interest in being more involved in the Village. If appointed, she would serve as a Senior Alternate Board member with an unexpired three (3) year term ending on May 14, 2026.

If approved, one (1) Junior Alternate Board member vacancy would remain on the Planning and Zoning Advisory Board.

Fiscal Impact: The proposed appointment does not have a fiscal impact on the Village.

End of Consent Agenda....

PRESENTATIONS

3. **Florida City County Managers Association (FCCMA) Recognition - 50 Years as a Council-Manager Form of Government**

Staff: Kimberly Glas-Castro, Assistant Village Manager

Mayor Smith introduced the District 3 President (City Manager of Greenacres), Andrea McCue, and the City of Atlantis, Brian Moree. Ms. McCue presented the Village Manager, Michael Bornstein, and the Village Council with a certificate of recognition in honor of their 50th year anniversary as Council-Manager government. She explained that the FCCMA Recognition Award was achieved when the Village applied through ICMA (International City Manager Association). She commented on Mr. Bornstein's positive interaction with other municipalities in the Association. Ms. McCue said that because of Council/Commission meeting conflicts, several members could not attend but sent their congratulations.

Mr. Bornstein gave comments about the prestigious recognition. He discussed how the Council-Manager government began and has since evolved. He spoke about the public's skepticism of federal and state government. He stressed the importance that local governments continue to maintain a trusting relationship. He thanked the Association for the recognition.

Mayor Smith congratulated Mr. Bornstein and the other Village, City, and Town Managers.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Smith opened the meeting for public comment.

Anel (sp?) - 3401 2nd Avenue (Church) - Mr. (sp?) designated himself the speaker on behalf of the church. He discussed a construction project halted due to funding issues related to COVID. He explained that a site plan was submitted but expired before completing the project. The church must begin the site plan approval again, and they request assistance. At this point, the Village Manager, Mr. Bornstein, suggested to Mr. (sp?) that he and the staff arrange a meeting..

Johnnie Tieche - 301 Winged Foot Drive - Mr. Tieche commented on code violations after hours. There is a new code officer; however, many violations occur after hours.

Hearing no further comments, Mayor Smith closed public comment.

REGULAR AGENDA

4. **2023 Florida League of Cities 97th Annual Conference Voting Delegate:**

Appointment of a voting delegate to attend the 97th Annual Florida League of Cities, Inc. Annual Conference on August 10-12, 2023, in Orlando, Florida.

Staff: Kimberly Wynn, Village Clerk

SUMMARY: The Florida League of Cities has requested that each municipality designate one official as the voting delegate for the upcoming 97th Annual Conference held at Hilton Orlando Bonnet Creek, Orlando, Florida, August 10th-12th, 2023.

Each year during the business meeting session of the Conference, the designated voting delegate will represent the Village on policy development, the election of League leadership, and the adoption of resolutions that may be introduced during the meeting. One official from each municipality will make decisions that determine the direction of the League.

The deadline to submit voting delegate forms must be received by the League no later than July 31, 2023.

Fiscal Impact: There is no fiscal impact on the Village.

Mayor Smith asked the Village Council to appoint a voting delegate for the 2023 Florida League of Cities 97th Annual Conference. Council Member Ready volunteered to attend.

Vice Mayor Brinkman made a motion to appoint Council Member Ready as the Village's delegate. Mayor Pro Tem Waller seconded the motion. The said motion carried 5-0.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

5. **Resolution No. 2023-34 - Site Plan Amendment (SPR23-05) and Special Exception Use (PSSE23-02) - St. Luke's Catholic Church - 2892 South Congress Avenue:** Motion for the approval of an application submitted by Insite Studio, agent for the owner, "The Most Reverend Gerald M. Barbarito, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of the Diocese of Palm Beach," for a Site Plan Amendment (SPR23-05) and a Special Exception (PSSE23-02), allowing expansion of the school use for the Commercial General building at 2892 South Congress Avenue, which will include classrooms and a court.

Staff: Iramis Cabrera, PZB Director

SUMMARY: Insite Studio, Inc. (Applicant), agent for The Most Reverend Gerald M. Barbarito, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of the Diocese of Palm Beach (Owner), is requesting approval of a Site Plan Amendment (SPR23-05) and Special Exception (PSSE23-02) to allow an expansion of the school use, with the construction of 27,024 square feet building to include classrooms and an indoor court for the Commercial General property located at 2892 South Congress Avenue.

Note: The subject property was approved on July 28, 1988, by Palm Beach County (Resolution No. R-89-721), as a Special Exception Use to permit a church or place of worship with accessory buildings and structures for educational institutions. A site plan was approved for the property consisting of several buildings totaling a 50,620 square feet floor area.

The property was annexed into the Village of Palm Springs on October 22, 1998, and designated with Commercial General zoning, Commercial Future Land Use, and Special Exception use.

The Applicant is proposing to demolish the existing structure, shown on the approved site plan as the Existing Church (Parish Center), and construct a new multi-purpose building in its place. The Parish Center, as it exists currently, is a single-story building with an area of 8,696.7 square feet. The proposed structure will be two stories with a total floor area of 27,024 square feet (an additional 18,328 square feet). The proposed uses within the building will include a new gymnasium, cafeteria, kitchen, storage, and additional classrooms to support the overall function of St. Luke's Catholic Church. The proposed building will be compatible with the other structures on the campus and will be compatible with the existing use of the general commercial property. The proposed building will maintain the existing 25-foot setback from the northern property line and will be further buffered with a five-foot landscape buffer.

As part of the proposed Site Plan Amendment, the applicant requested one (1) variance, which was approved by the Planning and Zoning Board during its regular meeting on June 13, 2023, allowing the reduction of parking spaces from the required 338 spaces to 320 spaces (PSV23-10).

The Planning & Zoning Board considered the requested Site Plan Amendment and modifications to the Special Exception use during its regular meeting on June 13, 2023, and recommended approval.

The Planning, Zoning & Building staff do not object to the proposed Site Plan Amendment, Special Exception Use, and variance requested and recommend conditional approval to facilitate the development project proposed for the property.

Fiscal Impact: The proposed development will enhance the Village's assessed property valuation.

The Village Clerk, Ms. Wynn, read the statement of an advertisement on the record and swore in the applicants. Mayor Smith asked the Council to disclose their ex-parte communication. The staff entered their testimony into the record. Ms. Cabrera stated that there were no outstanding issues and that staff, and the Planning & Zoning Board supported the project and offered their support of the project. Mr. Gerald M. Barbarita gave the applicant's presentation and entered it into the record. He explained that SPR23-05 and a Special Exception (PSSE 23-02) would allow for the expansion of St. Luke's Catholic Church to accommodate additional classrooms for their middle school population at 2892 South Congress Avenue. The Pastor entered his presentation into the record. He stated that Father Andrew Brierley, the Pastor, and another member of the Administration were present to answer questions.

Mayor Smith opened the meeting for public comment and Village Council discussion. There were no comments from the public. The Village Attorney, Mr. Torcivia, read the title of the caption into the record.

Council Member Ready made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2023-34. The motion was seconded by Vice-Mayor Brinkman. The said motion carried 5-0.

ACTIONS AND REPORTS

At this point, Mayor Smith offered Battalion Fire Chief Tracy Adams an opportunity to speak. Chief Adams reported there were 417 calls from 5 different fire area sources. The average turnaround time to answer the call was 48 seconds. The median response time was six minutes, four seconds. (which is lower than the average time seconds. Response time is 6 minutes 4 seconds on average, which is lower than the average time in Palm Beach County. PBCFR just hired 38 new fire rescue employees for the county. A two-day window has just opened for job applications. There were 700 applications accepted that must go through the assessment process. Council Member Ready asked if there were any new fire apparatus requested for the upcoming budget year. Chief Adams mentioned several new items that she had requested for Stations #91 and #33.

VILLAGE MANAGER COMMENTS

The Village Manager, Mr. Bornstein, talked about the importance of getting prepared for the hurricane season. He cautioned the residents to be proactive because there may not be a lot of warnings. He talked about the upcoming police building expansion. He suggested a logistics meeting with the staff to talk about parking. He also talked about the success of the Fourth of July event.

VILLAGE COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council Member Ready stated that he provided his list to the Village Clerk (see attached). The Council concluded that the fireworks were a success. Vice-Mayor Brinkman asked if the Village considered an arrangement for the church parking lot next to Village Hall while the police expansion took place. Mayor Smith discussed motivational speaker Shawn Kelly at the Palm Springs Library. She was pleased overall with the event.

ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no further business, Mayor Smith adjourned the Village Council Regular Meeting at 7:12 PM.

The undersigned is the Village Clerk of Palm Springs, Florida, and the information provided herein is the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on **July 13, 2023**. Which minutes were formally approved and adopted by the Village Council on **July 27, 2023**.

Kimberly M. Wynn
Village Clerk

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING:
THURSDAY, JULY 27, 2023, AT 6:30 PM
(IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING)**