

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION
VILLAGE COUNCIL OF NORTH PALM BEACH, FLORIDA
MAY 28, 2020**

Present: Susan Bickel., Mayor
Mark Mullinix, Vice Mayor
David B. Norris, President Pro Tem
Darryl C. Aubrey, Sc.D., Councilmember
Deborah Searcy, Councilmember
Andrew D. Lukasik, Village Manager
Len Rubin, Village Attorney
Jessica Green, Village Clerk

ROLL CALL

Mayor Bickel called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. All members of Council were present. All members of staff were present.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Mayor Mullinix gave the invocation and Mayor Bickel led the public in the Pledge.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the Regular Session held May 14, 2020 were approved as written.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Aubrey moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Vice Mayor Mullinix seconded the motion which passed unanimously. The following item was approved:

Motion – Authorizing the Mayor to sign a letter on behalf of the Village supporting the distribution and use of FDLE JAG Grant funds for FY 2019-2020.

RESOLUTION 2020-38 – AMENDMENT TO IAFF COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT

A motion was made by Councilmember Aubrey and seconded by Councilmember Searcy to adopt Resolution 2020-38 entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF NORTH PALM BEACH, FLORIDA APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 24 OF THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH THE PROFESSIONAL FIREFIGHTERS/PARAMEDICS OF PALM BEACH COUNTY, LOCAL 2928, IAFF, INC.; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mr. Lukasik explained that the amendment would provide a Captain's promotional list which was not available at the time that Article 24 was approved.

Thereafter, the motion to adopt Resolution 2020-38 passed unanimously.

MOTION – Designation of voting delegate and alternates for PBC League of Cities

A motion was made by Councilmember Searcy and seconded by President Pro Tem Norris to designate Vice Mayor Mullinix as voting delegate and Councilmember Aubrey as alternate voting delegate for the Palm Beach County League of Cities.

Thereafter the motion passed unanimously.

VILLAGE COUNCIL MATTERS/REPORTS

Councilmember Searcy commended Finance Director Samia Janjua for receiving the Government Finance Officers Association Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for Fiscal Year 2019-2020.

Councilmember Aubrey stated that he recently went to Farmer's Table for lunch and stated that everything was well organized in response to COVID-19 protocols and requirements. Councilmember Aubrey stated that the food was very good and that he felt very comfortable eating at the Farmer's Table restaurant.

Mayor Bickel stated that in response to COVID-19, the Village's police cars would be outfitted with a system that would heat the cars to kill any viruses.

Chief Richard Jenkins thanked Mayor Bickel for recommending the system and thanked Public Works Manager Susanne Hachigian for implementing it.

VILLAGE MANAGER MATTERS/REPORTS

Mr. Lukasik asked for policy direction concerning the upcoming 4th of July celebration. Mr. Lukasik stated that the Village was not planning on having the 4th of July event, but there was an option to have a fireworks display only. Mr. Lukasik stated that some communities were having a fireworks display only event, but Village staff was not recommending having a fireworks display. Mr. Lukasik stated that if the Village had a fireworks display only, he believed a lot of people would show up even though they would be asked not to.

Discussion ensued between staff and Council on whether or not to have a 4th of July fireworks display only.

The Council came to consensus to not have a 4th of July fireworks event or display only and directed staff to wait and see if a fireworks display could be held at a later date towards the end of the year.

Mr. Lukasik gave an update on the re-opening of the Library which would take place on June 1st. Mr. Lukasik stated that the projected date for the re-opening of all other Village facilities was June 8th and explained the processes and protocols that would be implemented in order to re-open.

Mr. Lukasik stated that the next Council meeting on June 11th would take place in the Council Chambers with only staff and Council present utilizing social distancing and the public would continue to participate by virtual means.

Mr. Lukasik gave an update on the Strategic Planning activities, tasks and upcoming workshops.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.



Jessica Green, MMC, Village Clerk