



## *The Village of Biscayne Park*

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**AGENDA**  
**REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING**  
**Ed Burke Recreation Center - 11400 NE 9th Court**  
**Biscayne Park, FL 33161**  
**Tuesday, January 6, 2015 at 7:00pm**



*Indicates back up documents are provided.*

**1 Call to Order**

**2 Roll Call**

**3 Pledge of Allegiance**

**4 Presentations**

**4.a Recognition of and appreciation to the participants of Winter Fest 2014:**

- ◆ Miami Shores Rotary
- ◆ Harvest Bible Chapel of Miami
- ◆ Miami Country Day School
- ◆ Miami Dade County Commissioner Sally Heyman
- ◆ Mayor Richard Ederr
- ◆ Biscayne Park Foundation
- ◆ Public Art Advisory Board
- ◆ Recreation Advisory Board
- ◆ Jose Andino
- ◆ Lexus of North Miami
- ◆ Joe Chao - North East Side Car Show
- ◆ Officer Anthony DeLaTorre & Chiquita
- ◆ Biscayne Park Police Department

**5 Additions, Deletions or Withdrawals to the Agenda**

*At this time, any member of the Village Commission or the Village Manager may request to add, change, or delete items from the agenda.*

**6 Public Comments Related to Agenda Items / Good & Welfare**

*Comments from the public relating to topics that are on the agenda, or other general topics.*

## 7 Information / Updates

7.a Sanitation Transition update



7.b FY 2014-15 Monthly Financials ending 11/30/2014

## 8 Consent Agenda

*Items listed under Consent Agenda are viewed to be routine, and the recommendation will be enacted by ONE MOTION in the form listed below. If discussion is desired, then the item(s) will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.*



8.a Approval of Minutes

- ◆ December 2, 2014 Regular Commission Meeting
- ◆ December 9, 2014 Special Commission Meeting



8.b Acceptance of Board Minutes

- ◆ Planning & Zoning Board - November 3, 2014 (Resubmit)
- ◆ Charter Review Advisory Board - December 11, 2014
- ◆ Recreation Advisory Board - August 27, 2014
- ◆ Biscayne Park Foundation - October 14, 2014
- ◆ Parks & Parkway Advisory Board - November 19, 2014
- ◆ Ecology Board - November 17, 2014
- ◆ Public Art Advisory Board - November 12, 2014
- ◆ Planning & Zoning Board - December 1, 2014
- ◆ Planning & Zoning Board - December 15, 2014
- ◆ Code Compliance Board - December 16, 2014
- ◆ Public Art Advisory Board - December 10, 2014



8.c **Resolution 2015-01**

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA, **AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MANAGER TO EXECUTE AND SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS, AND COMMITTING TO THE PROVISION OF MATCHING FUNDS TO THE COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM** OF THE MIAMI DADE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

**< End of Consent >**

## 9 Ordinances

< None >

## 10 Resolutions



### 10.a Resolution 2014-78

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA, **OPPOSING THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF APPROXIMATELY 88 ACRES OF PINE ROCKLAND GENERALLY LOCATED ALONG S.W. 152ND STREET AND S.W. 127TH AVENUE** WITHIN UNINCORPORATED MIAMI-DADE COUNTY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE *(Sponsored by Commissioner Watts)*

## 11 Old Business

*These items are generally discussion items that have been previously discussed by the Commission and new information or updates are available by either a member of the Commission or the Administration.*

## 12 New Business

*These items are generally discussion items that have been requested by members of the Commission or the Administration.*

12.a Summary of Village Manager evaluations



12.b Discussion of park use by non-residents - As requested by Mayor Coviello



12.c Discussion of public art fund - As requested by Vice Mayor Jonas



12.d Discussion of attendance at MDCLC Annual Installation Gala - As requested by Mayor David Coviello

## 13 Request for placement of items on next meeting agenda

*Through general consensus a member of the Commission may request an item be placed on the next agenda for discussion (New Business) or as a Resolution/Ordinance.*

## 14 Reports

14.a Village Manager

- ◆ Annexation update
- ◆ Village Hall log cabin restoration & annex building update
- ◆ Recreation bathroom renovation update

14.b Village Attorney

14.c Board / Committee Reports:

- ◆ Parks & Parkway Advisory Board
- ◆ Code Review Board
- ◆ Recreation Advisory Board
- ◆ Ecology Board
- ◆ Biscayne Park Foundation

14.d Commissioner Comments

- ◆ Vice Mayor Jonas
- ◆ Commissioner Anderson
- ◆ Commissioner Ross
- ◆ Commissioner Watts
- ◆ Mayor Coviello

**15 Announcements**

Wednesday, January 7th - Code Review Board at 7:00pm  
Thursday, January 8th - Charter Review Advisory Board at 7:00pm  
Saturday, January 10th - Walk a Hound Lose a Pound at 9:00am  
Tuesday, January 13th - Code Compliance Board at 7:00pm  
Wednesday, January 14th - Public Art Advisory Board at 6:00pm  
Thursday, January 15th - Community & Board Workshop on Proposed  
Chapter 5 Changes at 6:30pm  
Saturday, January 17th - Food & Tunes starting at 6:30pm  
Monday, January 19th - All Village Departments are closed in observance of  
Martin Luther King Day  
Tuesday, January 20th - Ecology Board at 6:30pm  
Tuesday, January 20th - Planning & Zoning Board at 6:30pm  
Wednesday, January 21st - Parks & Parkway Advisory Board at 6:00pm  
Wednesday, January 21st - Code Review Board at 7:00pm  
Thursday, January 22nd - Charter Review Advisory Board at 7:00pm  
Tuesday, January 27th - Recreation Advisory Board at 7:00pm  
Wednesday, January 28th - Crime Watch Meeting at 7:00pm  
Saturday, January 31st - MLK Day of Service at 10:00am  
Monday, February 2nd - Planning & Zoning Board at 6:30pm

Our next regular Commission meeting is Tuesday, February 3, 2015, at 7:00pm

**16 Adjournment**

In accordance with the provisions of F.S. Section 286.0105, should any person seek to appeal any decision made by the Commission with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, such person will 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.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, persons needing special accommodation to participate in the proceedings should call Village Hall at (305) 899 8000 no later than four (4) days prior to the proceeding for assistance.

**DECORUM** - All comments must be addressed to the Commission as a body and not to individuals. Any person making impertinent or slanderous remarks, or who becomes boisterous while addressing the Commission, shall be barred from further audience before the Commission by the presiding officer, unless permission to continue or again address the commission is granted by the majority vote of the Commission members present. No clapping, applauding, heckling or verbal outbursts in support or in opposition to a speaker or his/her remarks shall be permitted. No signs or placards shall be allowed in the Commission Chambers. Please mute or turn off your cell phone or pager at the start of the meeting. Failure to do so may result in being barred from the meeting. Persons exiting the Chamber shall do so quietly.

The Village of Biscayne Park  
Statement of Activities

For the 2 Months Ended November 30, 2014

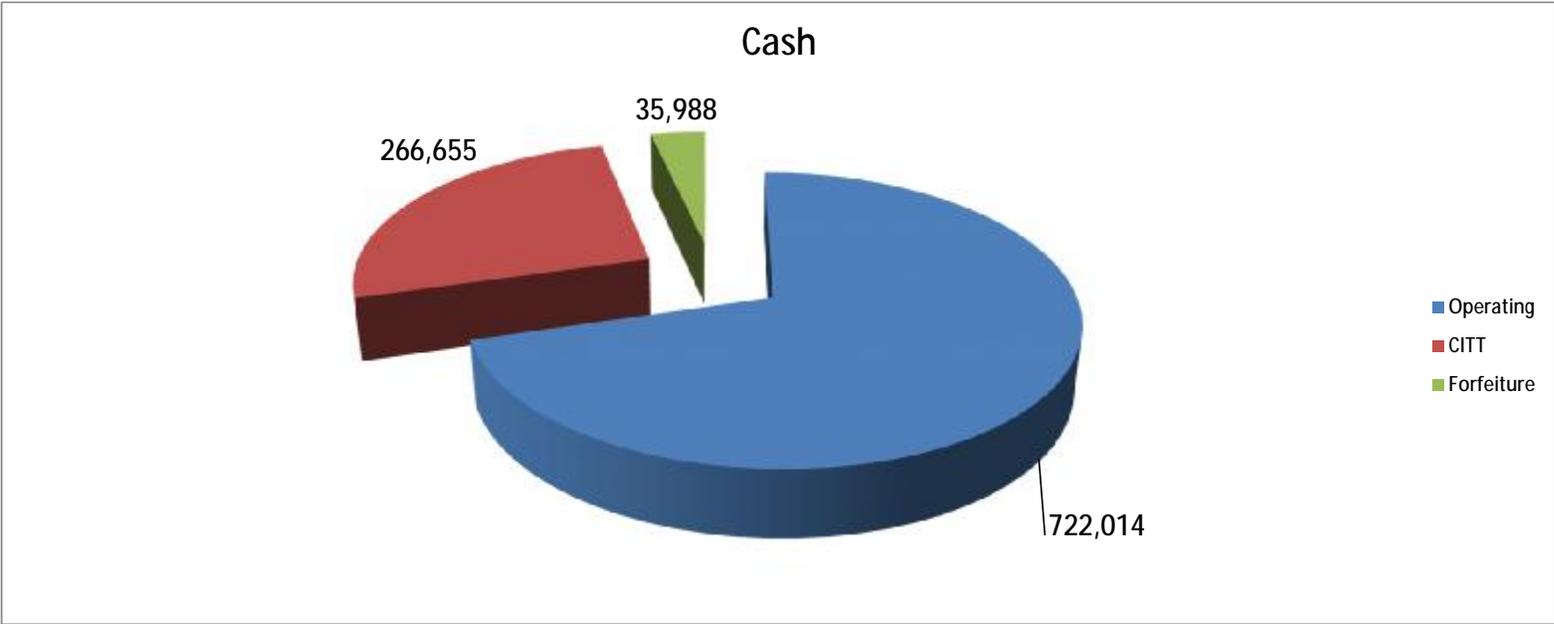
% of Year Completed 16.67%

DESCRIPTION	2014-15 BUDGET	YTD ACTUAL 11/30/2014	% BDGT USED
Ad Valorem Taxes	1,331,461	321,019	24.11
Utility Taxes	289,962	35,576	12.27
Franchise Fees	161,283	14,935	9.26
Intergovernmental Revenues	291,458	47,435	16.28
Judgments & Fines	41,600	4,623	11.11
Charge For Services	145,016	32,472	22.39
Grants & Contributions	21,906	2,784	12.71
Other Income	111,695	14,086	12.61
	2,394,381	472,930	19.63
Transfers In	98,730	16,455	0.00
	2,493,111	489,385	19.63
Village Commission	23,718	1,629	6.87
Administration	206,082	27,338	13.27
Finance	147,327	21,215	14.40
Planning & Zoning	42,000	7,000	16.67
General Government	430,780	57,281	13.30
Police	1,081,851	139,001	12.85
Building Department	109,256	6,298	5.76
Code Enforcement	61,987	7,207	11.63
Public Works	187,626	26,186	13.96
Parks and Recreation	167,483	25,878	15.45
	2,458,111	319,032	12.80
Transfers Out	35,000	0	
	2,493,111	319,032	12.80
Excess of Revenues Over Expenses	0	170,353	

**REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE REPORT FOR VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK**  
**Road & Sanitation Funds**

PERIOD ENDING 11/30/2014  
 % Fiscal Year Completed: 16.71

GL NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	2014-15 AMENDED BUDGET	YTD BALANCE 11/30/2014	% BDGT USED	
<b>Fund 101 - Road Fund</b>					
Revenues		135,340	20,798	15	
Expenditures		135,340	25,757	19	Capital Acquisitions 84.5% of Budget Scag 52 Tiger Cat Leaf Vacuum
<b>Fund 302 -Capital Improvements</b>					
Revenues		1,150,000	25,207	2	Design & Engineering DOEO Grant
Expenditures		1,150,000	25,207	2	
<b>Fund 402 - Sanitation Fund</b>					
Revenues		593,545	75,829	13	
Expenditures		593,545	162,388	27	Recycling Containers 100% of Budget Recycling Containers 84,716



**FUND BALANCE -GENERAL FUND**

Opening Fund Balance	Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures-11/14	Fund Balance November 30, 2014
\$630,772	+	\$170,353
	=	\$801,125



# Village of Biscayne Park Commission Agenda Report

**Village Commission Meeting Date:** January 6, 2015

**Subject:** Approval of Minutes

**Prepared By:** Maria C. Camara, Village Clerk

**Sponsored By:** Staff

## **Background**

The Minutes as listed below are being provided for the Commission's review and approval.

## **Fiscal/Budget Impact**

None.

## **Staff Recommendation**

Approval

## **Attachments**

- December 2, 2014 Regular Commission Meeting
- December 9, 2014 Special Commission Meeting



**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING**  
**Ed Burke Recreation Center - 11400 NE 9th Court**  
**Biscayne Park, FL 33161**  
**Tuesday, December 2, 2014 at 7:00pm**

**1 Call to Order**

Mayor David Coviello called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

**2 Roll Call**

Mayor David Coviello - present  
Vice Mayor Roxanna Ross - present  
Commissioner Bob Anderson - present  
Commissioner Fred Jonas - present  
Commissioner Barbara Watts - absent (*Arrived at 7:04pm*)

Present from staff were:

Village Manager Heidi Shafran  
Village Clerk Maria C. Camara  
Village Attorney John Hearn  
Chief of Police Cornelius McKenna  
Public Services Manager Krishan Manners  
Finance Director Irwin Williams  
Parks & Recreation Manager Shelecia Bartley  
Assistant Public Works Manager Cesar Hernandez

**3 Pledge of Allegiance**

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*Mayor Coviello acknowledged Commissioner Fred Jonas would be Vice Mayor for the next six months and thanked Commissioner Ross for her service in that position.*

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**4 Presentations**

4.a Reserve Police Officer Jorge Perez was sworn in by Village Clerk Maria Camara.

4.b David Caserta provided a summary of the 2015 Florida legislative agenda. The Village Commission provided their priorities as follows:

Mayor Coviello: Drainage master plan.  
Commissioner Ross: Law Enforcement Assessment  
Vice Mayor Jonas: Infrastructure needs (roads and drainage. FEC barrier wall.  
Commissioner Anderson: FEC barrier wall.

4.c Certificate of Completion - 2014 Advanced Institute for Elected Municipal Officials was presented to Vice Mayor Fred Jonas

## 5 Additions, Deletions or Withdrawals to the Agenda

At the request of the Chair of the Code Review Board, Manager Shafran pulls item 12.a, discussion of Chapter 5 proposed changes, and defers it to the January meeting.

Mayor Coviello urges staff to set up a joint meeting with Code Review Board and Parks & Parkway Advisory Board to discuss the proposed changes.

Manager Shafran will schedule the joint meeting in January after the holidays, and bring back a draft ordinance for the February 2015 meeting.

Manager Shafran pulls item 8.f, Resolution 2014-84, with a change to the title, and it becomes item 11.c.

Manager Shafran pulls from item 8.b, the minutes for the November 3rd meeting of the Planning & Zoning Board due to a scrivener's error and will resubmit in January.

## 6 Public Comments Related to Agenda Items / Good & Welfare

Harvey Bilt: In regards to ordinance for Chapter 5 changes, there are many items being changed that residents don't realize are being made. Changes to driveway don't make any sense. Changes will require residents to pull out their driveway. There are issues with the language with parking on the swale and requirements for resident and visitor parking issues. Why can't there be red mulch in the swale. This is not written in plain English. Address some items in multiple places and in different ways. On trees in the swale, not fair if you buy a home with a "defect" meaning a tree on the swale that may be diseased. Notice must be given to each property so they know. Two different classes of home owners in regards to the type of trees on the swales, Australian pines vs. oaks. As a Code Enforcement Board member, it will be hard to enforce. A lot of what is being proposed does not make sense.

Chuck Ross: In regards to Crime Watch, had a very good meeting on November 18th. Great attendance. Will have a second meeting on December 8th. Want to address statements made by Commissioner Watts at the November meeting in regards to annexation. She stated we would lose money for several years. Have not seen the data to support this. Encourages her to sit with the Finance Director to review the data. Stated Manny Espinosa stated the same, but in fact he did not. She also mentioned that residential properties were part of the proposed annexation area and they are not. Statements like this are misleading. Need to consult with professionals and confirm your facts before making statements.

Shelecia Bartley, Parks & Recreation Manager: Winter Fest is coming up on December 20th and invites all to attend. Many new items will be added. Also a reminder of Walk a Hound Lose a Pound this Saturday at 9:00am.

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*< Mayor Coviello takes agenda out of order to do the Consent Agenda.>*

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## 8 Consent Agenda

Commissioner Anderson pulls item 8.j, Resolution 2014-92.

Commissioner Ross pulls item 8.g, Resolution 2014-85, and item 8.h, Resolution 2014-86.

Left on the consent agenda:

### 8.a Approval of Minutes

- ◆ October 7, 2014 Regular Commission Meeting
- ◆ November 6, 2014 Joint Special Meeting Village Commission and Biscayne Park Foundation
- ◆ November 6, 2014 Regular Commission Meeting
- ◆ November 18, 2014 Special Commission Meeting

### 8.b Acceptance of Board Minutes

- ◆ Ecology Board Meeting - September 15, 2014
- ◆ Parks & Parkway Advisory Board Meeting - October 29, 2014
- ◆ Planning & Zoning Board - November 17, 2014
- ◆ Code Review Board - November 19, 2014
- ◆ Code Compliance Board - November 12, 2014

### 8.c **Resolution 2014-47**

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA; **SUPPORTING FLORIDA EAST COAST INDUSTRIES' CONSTRUCTION OF A 235 MILE PASSENGER RAILROAD FROM MIAMI TO ORLANDO**; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

### 8.d **Resolution 2014-82**

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA **ESTABLISHING THE REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2015**; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

### 8.e **Resolution 2014-83**

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND VILLAGE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA, **AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MANAGER AND VILLAGE ATTORNEY TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI AND THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO SELL AND DISPENSE DIESEL AND UNLEADED FUEL** FOR SERVICE VEHICLES OWNED BY THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

### 8.i **Resolution 2014-87**

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA; **AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ADDENDUM TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN R.J. HEISENBOTTLE ARCHITECTS P.A. AND THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RELATING TO A COMPREHENSIVE ASSESSMENT FOR THE RENOVATION AND RESTORATION OF THE HISTORICAL VILLAGE HALL LOG CABIN**; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Vice Mayor Jonas makes a motion to approve the Consent Agenda and it is seconded by Commissioner Ross.

All in favor: Mayor Coviello, Vice Mayor Jonas, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Ross, and Commissioner Watts.

Opposed: None

Motion carries: 5/0

8.g **Resolution 2014-85**

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA **APPROVING THE EXPENDITURE OF POLICE STATE FORFEITURE FUNDS OF NOT MORE THAN \$6,990.00 FOR THE RENTAL OF VEHICLES FOR USE BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

Manager Shafran provided the background. Chief McKenna explained current available vehicles have excessive repair costs, provides for the change of vehicles used for surveillance, and the ability to participate in asset forfeiture programs.

Attorney Hearn explained this is for a new task force and allowable to use state forfeiture funds.

Vice Mayor Jonas makes a motion to approve Resolution 2014-85 and it is seconded by Commissioner Anderson.

All in favor: Mayor Coviello, Vice Mayor Jonas, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Ross, and Commissioner Watts.

Opposed: None

Motion carries: 5/0

8.h **Resolution 2014-86**

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA, **AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE LEASE AGREEMENT FOR TWO (2) 2015 FORD INTERCEPTOR AWD SEDAN POLICE VEHICLES FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

Manager Shafran provided the background.

Mayor Coviello concerned with the number of vehicles in the fleet.

Commissioner Ross requests a replacement plan is put in place for all vehicles.

Manager Shafran would present a complete replacement plan during the next budget cycle.

Commissioner Anderson makes a motion to approve Resolution 2014-86 and it is seconded by Vice Mayor Jonas.

All in favor: Vice Mayor Jonas, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Ross and Commissioner Watts.

Opposed: Mayor Coviello

Motion carries: 4/1

8.j **Resolution 2014-92**

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCANE PARK **AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MANAGER TO REPRESENT AND SPEAK ON BEHALF OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK AT ALL MIAMI-DADE COUNTY MEETINGS RELATING TO THE VILLAGE'S BOUNDARY CHANGE APPLICATION**; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Commissioner Anderson confirms that the Mayor is also authorized and should be included.

Vice Mayor Jonas makes a motion to approve with the addition of the Mayor as also being authorized, and it is seconded by Commissioner Anderson.

All in favor: Mayor Coviello, Vice Mayor Jonas, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Ross and Commissioner Watts.

Opposed: Mayor Coviello and Commissioner Watts

Motion carries: 5/0

**9 Public Hearing**

9.a Variance Request: Mariana Ferro & Amalivis Alonso

825 NE 113th Street, Biscayne Park FL, to allow an accessory structure (pool) to be located 20' into side front setback.

Attorney Hearn provided the background and an explanation of the four criterias that need to be met to grant the variance.

Manager Shafran and Krishan Manners, representing the Staff, and the petitioners were sworn in by Attorney Hearn.

Public Services Manager Krishan Manners spoke on behalf of the Planning & Zoning Board and provided their approval for the variance.

The meeting was opened for public comment and there were none.

Vice Mayor Jonas makes a motion to approve the variance and it was seconded by Commissioner Ross.

All in favor: Mayor Coviello, Vice Mayor Jonas, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Ross and Commissioner Watts.

Opposed: Mayor Coviello and Commissioner Watts

Motion carries: 5/0

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*< Resume order of agenda. >*

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**7 Information / Updates**

7.a Sanitation transition update from Public Services Manager Krishan Manners: Great improvement in the month of November. In the first month, October, a total of 192 requests submitted through TracEz. In November, there were 36 requests submitted. Still striving for improvement.

Confirms that for the process of oversized trash piles, Waste Pro is responsible for measuring and making the determination, then it is communicated to our Public Works Staff for the Village to invoice.

7.b Month end financials for fiscal year 2014-15 as of October 31, 2014, provided by Finance Director Williams.

**10 Ordinances**

< None >

**11 Resolutions**

11.a.1 **Resolution 2014-88**

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND VILLAGE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA, **SETTING FORTH THE VILLAGE’S INTENT TO USE THE UNIFORM METHOD FOR THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF A NON-AD VALOREM SPECIAL ASSESSMENT** TO BE LEVIED UPON RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTIES LYING WITHIN THE MUNICIPAL BOUNDARIES OF THE VILLAGE, AS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED IN EXHIBIT “B”, ATTACHED HERETO, TO FUND THE PROVISION OF **ROAD REPAIR/IMPROVEMENTS** WITHIN THE VILLAGE; STATING A NEED FOR SUCH LEVY; PROVIDING THAT A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION SHALL BE FORWARDED TO THE PROPERTY APPRAISER, TAX COLLECTOR AND THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

11.a.2 **Resolution 2014-89**

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND VILLAGE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA, **SETTING FORTH THE VILLAGE’S INTENT TO USE THE UNIFORM METHOD FOR THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF A NON-AD VALOREM SPECIAL ASSESSMENT** TO BE LEVIED UPON RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTIES LYING WITHIN THE MUNICIPAL BOUNDARIES OF THE VILLAGE, AS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED IN EXHIBIT “B”, ATTACHED HERETO, TO FUND THE PROVISION OF **STORM WATER REPAIR/IMPROVEMENTS** WITHIN THE VILLAGE; STATING A NEED FOR SUCH LEVY; PROVIDING THAT A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION SHALL BE FORWARDED TO THE PROPERTY APPRAISER, TAX COLLECTOR AND THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

11.a.3 **Resolution 2014-93**

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND VILLAGE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATE VILLAGE OFFICIALS TO **EXECUTE AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY OFFICE OF THE PROPERTY APPRAISER** ON BEHALF OF THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR TO FACILITATE THE COLLECTION OF **NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENTS FOR THE PROVISION OF ROAD REPAIR/IMPROVEMENTS** WITHIN THE VILLAGE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

11.a.4 **Resolution 2014-94**

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND VILLAGE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATE VILLAGE OFFICIALS TO **EXECUTE AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY OFFICE OF THE PROPERTY APPRAISER** ON BEHALF OF THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR TO FACILITATE THE COLLECTION OF **NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENTS FOR THE PROVISION OF STORM WATER REPAIR/IMPROVEMENTS** WITHIN THE VILLAGE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Attorney Hearn read the title of all four resolutions and explained that the public can speak on any or all of these resolutions.

Mayor Coviello opened the meeting for public comment:

Linda Dillon: Understands what this is for, but how much will it be?

Manager Shafran explained that this is the first required step in the process. Will not know the costs until the Spring.

Barbara Kuhl: Previous approximate cost of a master plan was about \$150,000. Don't want to pay that much. It was an overdone proposal. Who will decide what level of a master plan we will need. There are sewer drains that need to be fixed. We do not have to reinvent the wheel on this.

Harvey Bilt: Did we not already do a master plan?

Manager Shafran explained that what is required are technical engineering plans.

Commissioner Ross makes a motion to approve Resolution 2014-88 and it is seconded by Commissioner Anderson.

All in favor: Mayor Coviello, Vice Mayor Jonas, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Ross and Commissioner Watts.

Opposed: None

Motion carries: 5/0

Commissioner Ross makes a motion to approve Resolution 2014-89 and it is seconded by Commissioner Anderson.

All in favor: Mayor Coviello, Vice Mayor Jonas, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Ross and Commissioner Watts.

Opposed: None  
Motion carries: 5/0

Commissioner Anderson makes a motion to approve Resolution 2014-93 and it is seconded by Vice Mayor Jonas.

All in favor: Mayor Coviello, Vice Mayor Jonas, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Ross and Commissioner Watts.

Opposed: None  
Motion carries: 5/0

Commissioner Ross makes a motion to approve Resolution 2014-94 and it is seconded by Commissioner Anderson.

All in favor: Mayor Coviello, Vice Mayor Jonas, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Ross and Commissioner Watts.

Opposed: None  
Motion carries: 5/0

#### 11.b **Resolution 2014-90**

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA; **ESTABLISHING RULES AND PROCEDURES FOR THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT**; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Manager Shafran provided the background.

Commission consensus to make these changes:

Commissioner Watts: Tighten the language of section 11.d.

Commissioner Ross: Add full court play language; add hours of operation.

Commissioner Watts: Item (b), page 3 of 6, remove "private property"; on rule 8.a, correct the language.

Commissioner Anderson: Item (e), page 3 of 6, add "without authorization of the Village".

Chuck Ross: A concern is the unattended/unsupervised minors in the park. They should have to register, or set an age limit that they cannot be in the park if unsupervised.

Vice Mayor Jonas makes a motion to approve as adjusted and it is seconded by Commissioner Anderson.

All in favor: Mayor Coviello, Vice Mayor Jonas, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Ross and Commissioner Watts.

Opposed: None  
Motion carries: 5/0

#### 12 **Old Business**

< None >

## 13 New Business

### 13.a MLK Day of Service

Commissioner Ross provided the background and suggested work to be done on the median on 10th Avenue starting at 121st Street and one block in. Commission consensus to move forward with scheduling the event on Saturday, January 31, 2015. Direction to check with Parks & Parkway Advisory Board on planting suggestions. In addition a proclamation will be executed.

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*< Completion of section 11 Resolutions >*

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### 11.c Resolution 2014-84

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA, **APPROVING THE EXPENDITURE OF POLICE FEDERAL FORFEITURE FUNDS OF NOT MORE THAN \$2,000 FOR THE PURCHASE OF A COMPUTER, COLOR PRINTER AND REQUIRED PERIPHERALS**; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Attorney Hearn read the title.

Vice Mayor Jonas makes a motion to approve and it is seconded by Commissioner Ross.

All in favor: Mayor Coviello, Vice Mayor Jonas, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Ross and Commissioner Watts.

Opposed: None

Motion carries: 5/0

## 14 Request for placement of items on next meeting agenda

Commissioner Ross confirms the summary of the Manager's evaluation will be included.

Commissioner Watts: Resolution to oppose the development of pine rockland with added information.

Commissioner Watts: Support of a sea level rise and climate change congress.

Commissioner Watts: Discussion of the cat population in the Village.

Mayor Coviello: Discussion of park use by non-residents.

Vice Mayor Jonas: Discussion of a public art fund.

## 15 Reports

### 15.a Village Manager:

- Annexation: Consultants have met with the County on petition language; have met with members of North Miami staff and their elected officials on conflicting application. North Miami application goes before the County Planning Board on December 15th.

- Administration annex building: Manager Shafran provided updated on the six (6) bids received. Review committee met and heard from four out of the six bidders and ranked the four bidders on pricing and qualifications. Will present the bid with the highest ranking to the Commission at the December 9th Special Commission meeting with contract for approval. Ceremonial groundbreaking is scheduled for Thursday, December 18th. Goal is for construction to start in January.

- Log cabin restoration: Will include a presentation at the December 9th Special Commission meeting with Mr. Heisenbottle with Commission discussion and resident input.

- Recreation Center bathroom renovation updated provided by Krishan Manners: Demolition to begin for women's bathroom and tile to be delivered. Will move slower to insure quality.

15.b Village Attorney:

- Charter Review Advisory Board set to have its first meeting on December 11th. Will attend to give direction and Sunshine Law review. Suggests that the Commission attend future meetings to get input and direction.

- North Miami agreement on water utilities: A slow process due to changes in their administration and with elected officials, but will continue to communicate.

15.c Village Boards:

Dan Samaria, Chair for the Recreation Advisory Board: Thanks the commission for the new board member appointments. Had good discussions at last meeting. Assured that new members will be participating in events. Will be providing a report at each commission meeting. Will work closely with the Village on activities.

**16 Announcements**

Wednesday, December 3rd - Code Review Board at 7:00pm

Saturday, December 6th - Walk a Hound Lose a Pound at 9:00am

Tuesday, December 9th - Special Commission Meeting at 6:30pm

Wednesday, December 10th - Public Art Advisory Board Meeting at 6:00pm

Thursday, December 11th - Charter Review Advisory Board Meeting at 7:00pm

Friday, December 12th - Village Hall will close at 1:00pm for staff holiday party.

Monday, December 15th - Planning & Zoning Board at 6:30pm

Monday, December 15th - Ecology Board at 6:30pm

Tuesday, December 16th - Code Compliance Board at 7:00pm  
Tuesday, December 16th - Recreation Advisory Board at 7:00pm  
Wednesday, December 17th - Code Review Board at 7:00pm  
Thursday, December 18th - Groundbreaking ceremony at 5:30pm  
Saturday, December 20th - Winterfest at 11:00am  
Wednesday, December 24th - Village Hall will close at 12:Noon.  
Thursday, December 25th - All Village Departments are closed.  
Wednesday, December 31st - Village Hall will close at 2:00pm.  
Thursday, January 1st - All Village Departments are closed.

The next regular commission meeting is Tuesday, January 6, 2015, at 7:00pm.

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:42pm.

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Commission approved on \_\_\_\_\_.

Attest:

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David Coviello, Mayor

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Maria Camara, Village Clerk



**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING**  
**Ed Burke Recreation Center - 11400 NE 9th Court**  
**Biscayne Park, FL 33161**  
**Tuesday, December 9, 2014 at 6:30pm**

**1 Call to Order**

Mayor David Coviello called the meeting to order at 6:35pm.

**2 Roll Call**

Mayor David Coviello - present  
Vice Mayor Fred Jonas - present  
Commissioner Bob Anderson - present  
Commissioner Roxanna Ross - present  
Commissioner Barbara Watts - present

Present from staff were:

Village Manager Heidi Shafran  
Village Clerk Maria C. Camara  
Village Attorney John Hearn  
Public Services Manager Krishan Manners  
Finance Director Irwin Williams  
Assistant Public Works Manager Cesar Hernandez

**3 Pledge of Allegiance**

**4 Additions, Deletions or Withdrawals to the Agenda**

Mayor Coviello introduced Steven Zaluski, the sculptor of the "Ballplayer" sculpture currently in display at Griffing Park.

**5 Public Comments**

Gary Kuhl: On log cabin, do forensic engineering as it will turn up a lot of unknowns. Heisenbottle has the experience and is a good architect, but concerned with lump sum bid for this project. Heisenbottle fee is reasonable, but will not be here all the time. Strongly suggest a construction management firm. Provides latitude. Allows Village to have someone working for them. Have someone on site to facilitate the work. Many firms available. A small job and strongly suggest doing. Will help to control finances. On a half a million dollar project, would cost 15-20% for the contractor. Equitable amount for a management firm. Agrees that an Owner's Representative that would be used for Administration Annex construction is suitable.

## 6 Resolutions

### 6.a Resolution 2014-96

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA; **AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT BETWEEN BEJAR CONSTRUCTION, INC. AND THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK** FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY AND ADMINISTRATION ANNEX; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Attorney Hearn read the title.

Manager Shafran provided the background.

- Total base bid is \$701,533.
- Plus \$5,700 for alternate no. 1, decorative stone facing at entrance.
- Plus \$126,245 for alternate no. 2, complete build out of police station.
- TOTAL: \$833,478

Total cost of log cabin renovations estimated at \$497,000 which includes architect's costs.

Taking into consideration these costs, and the total funding from the State and grants, there will be a shortfall of \$150,000 to \$250,000 based on which option we proceed with on the annex construction.

Mayor Coviello opened the meeting for public comment.

Rosemary Wais: Of the one million dollars, was it not first for the log cabin restoration, and then the annex> Set aside money for the log cabin, then what is left, use it for the annex building. Proceed with the annex construction, but money for log cabin is already set aside.

Gary Kuhl: Does not do any good to shell out the annex and give priority to the log cabin. Need to proceed with annex and to do it complete. You will pay a premium to star up and then finish later. Look at complete picture. Not worth compromising. Get a loan and get the job done. Take away the stone facing. If you don't do it now, it will be a makeshift operation at the Public Works building. If looking to find money in the budget, consider that one employee is approximately \$40,000 a year, and instead of having a full time Parks & Rec employee, have a part time instead.

Chuck Ross: Confirms that interest rate for a loan is 4%. Will never see this rate again. Do not do a half done project. If you put value in the annex, do it complete. Work out all available loan options.

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*Vice Mayor Jonas left early at 7:30pm.*

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Janey Anderson: Appreciate hearing the options. Too many negatives in doing the project in pieces. Do not touch reserves. Do the borrowing and do it all at once.

Commissioner Ross makes a motion to approve Resolution 2014-96 with the total contract price of \$833,478. The motion is seconded by Commissioner Anderson.

All in favor: Mayor Coviello, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Ross, and Commissioner Watts.

Opposed: None

Motion carries: 4/0

**7 Old Business**

< None >

**8 New Business**

**8.a Village Hall Log Cabin repair and restoration project.**

Manager Shafran provided background, then introduced architect Richard J. Heisenbottle.

Mr. Heisenbottle stated that in his professional opinion, the renovation should proceed with removing the additions to the cabin which are not original to the building and were not built well. Division of Historic Preservation would want to see it in its original state. It would cost more to keep the additions as they would have to be mostly torn down and rebuilt.

Commission consensus for full restoration to original build.

Commissioner Ross makes a motion to direct staff to explore all financing options and it is seconded by Commissioner Anderson.

All in favor: Mayor Coviello, Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Ross, and Commissioner Watts.

Opposed: None

Motion carries: 4/0

**9 Announcements**

Wednesday, December 10th - Public Art Advisory Board Meeting at 6:00pm  
Thursday, December 11th - Charter Review Advisory Board Meeting at 7:00pm  
Friday, December 12th - Village Hall Offices will close at 1:00pm for Holiday Party  
Monday, December 15th - Planning & Zoning Board at 6:30pm  
Monday, December 15th - Ecology Board at 6:30pm  
Tuesday, December 16th - Code Compliance Board at 7:00pm  
Tuesday, December 16th - Recreation Advisory Board at 7:00pm  
Wednesday, December 17th - Code Review Board at 7:00pm  
Thursday, December 18th - Groundbreaking Ceremony at 5:30pm  
Saturday, December 20th - Winterfest at 11:00am

Wednesday, December 24th - Village Hall will close at 12:Noon

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Wednesday, December 31st - Village Hall will close at 2:00pm

Thursday, January 1st - All Village Departments are closed.

The next regular commission meeting is Tuesday, January 6, 2015, at 7:00pm.

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*Commissioner Watts left early at 8:00pm.*

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Commissioner Ross makes a motion to provide Friday, December 26, 2014, as a paid holiday for all non-essential employees and it is seconded by Mayor Coviello.

All in favor: Mayor Coviello and Commissioner Ross.

Opposed: Commissioner Anderson

Motion carries: 2/1

## **10      Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05pm.

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Commission approved on \_\_\_\_\_.

Attest:

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David Coviello, Mayor

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Maria Camara, Village Clerk



# Village of Biscayne Park

## Commission Agenda Report

**Village Commission Meeting Date:** January 6, 2015

**Subject:** Acceptance of Board Minutes

**Prepared By:** Maria C. Camara, Village Clerk

**Sponsored By:** Staff

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### Background

The Board Minutes as listed below are being provided for the Commission's review and acceptance. If the minutes provided have not yet been approved by the board, they are noted as DRAFT.

### Staff Recommendation

Acceptance at Consent

### Attachments

- Planning & Zoning Board - November 3, 2014 (Resubmit)
- Charter Review Advisory Board - December 11, 2014 - DRAFT
- Recreation Advisory Board - August 27, 2014 - DRAFT
- Biscayne Park Foundation - October 14, 2014 - DRAFT
- Parks & Parkway Advisory Board - November 19, 2014 - DRAFT
- Ecology Board - November 17, 2014 - DRAFT
- Public Art Advisory Board - November 12, 2014
- Planning & Zoning Board - December 1, 2014
- Planning & Zoning Board - December 15, 2015 - DRAFT
- Code Compliance Board - December 16, 2014 - DRAFT
- Public Art Advisory Board - December 10, 2014 - DRAFT



PLANNING &  
ZONING BOARD

Gage Hartung  
Chairman

Andrew Olis  
Vice Chairman

Carl Bickel  
Elizabeth Hornbuckle  
Doug Tannehill

Alternate  
Mario Rumiano

## MINUTES

### PLANNING & ZONING BOARD MEETING

Ed Burke Recreation Center

11400 NE 9<sup>th</sup> Court – Biscayne Park, FL

Monday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2014 at 6:30pm

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Gage Hartung – Chair Member – present  
Andrew Olis - Vice Chair – present  
Carl Bickel – Board Member – present  
Elizabeth Hornbuckle – Board Member – present  
Doug Tannehill – Board Member – present  
Shanesa Mykoo, Krishan Manners and Sal Annese – Staff attendance – present

**3. ADDITIONS, DELETIONS OR WITHDRAWALS TO ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2014

Motion by A. Olis, seconded by E. Hornbuckle and approved 5-0

**5. PAINT PERMITS**

None

**6. BUILDING PERMITS**

- a. BP 11211 LLC – 11211 NE 8<sup>th</sup> Ct – Reroof  
Motion by A. Olis, seconded by e. Hornbuckle and approved 5-0
- b. Stebenne – 11605 Griffing Blvd – Hurricane windows  
Motion by A. Olis, seconded by D. Tannehill and approved 5-0
- c. Viper BP4 LLC – 1009 NE 117<sup>th</sup> St – Driveway and fence  
Driveway – Motion by D. Tannehill, seconded by A. Olis and approved 5-0  
Fence – Motion by D. Tannehill, seconded by C. Bickel and approved 5-0
- d. Sweetland Real Estate – 10706 NE 9<sup>th</sup> Ave – Bedroom addition / windows  
Motion by A. Olis, seconded by D. Tannehill and approved 5-0
- e. Church of Resurrection – 11173 Griffing Blvd – New flat roof  
Motion by A. Olis, seconded by D. Tannehill and approved 5-0
- f. Emerson – 12015-17 NE 12<sup>th</sup> Ave – Backyard fence  
Motion by A. Olis, seconded by c. Bickel and approved 5-0
- g. Perez – 11920 NE 11<sup>th</sup> Pl – Remove garage door  
Motion by D. Tannehill, seconded by A. Olis and approved 5-0
- h. Sciancalepore – 781 NE 112<sup>th</sup> St – Install windows and doors  
Motion by E. Hornbuckle, seconded by C. Bickel and approved 5-0
- i. Pantesco – 11701 NE 8<sup>th</sup> Ave – New pool and deck  
Motion by A. Olis, seconded by E. Hornbuckle and approved 5-0
- j. Hart – 11001 NE 9<sup>th</sup> Ct – New pool and deck  
-withdraw permit
- k. Zoeller – 12004 NE 8<sup>th</sup> Ave – install windows  
Motion by A. Olis, seconded by D. Tannehill and approved 5-0



## *The Village of Biscayne Park*

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### 7. Administrative Variance

None

### 8. Variance

- a. Alonso – 825 NE 113<sup>th</sup> St – Pool Variance  
Motion by A. Olis, seconded by E. Hornbuckle and approved 5-0

### 9. Adjournment

This meeting was adjourned at 7: 15 p.m.

The next meetings of the Planning & Zoning Board are Monday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2014 and Monday, December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014

Minutes approved on: \_\_\_\_\_

(Date)

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Gage Hartung, Chair Planning & Zoning Board



Jenny Johnson-Sardella

Chair

David Goehl

Vice Chair

Dale Blanton

Ramon Irizarri

Dan Keys

Brian McNoldy

Vicki Smith-Bilt

## MINUTES

### Charter Review Advisory Board

**Ed Burke Recreation Center - 11400 NE 9th Court**

**Biscayne Park, FL 33161**

**Thursday, December 11, 2014 at 7:00pm**

#### **1 Call to Order**

Village Clerk Maria Camara called the meeting to order at 7:01pm.

#### **2 Roll Call**

Dale Blanton - present

David Goehl - present

Ramon Irizarri - present

Jenny Johnson-Sardella - present

Dan Keys - present

Brian McNoldy - present

Vicki Smith-Bilt - present

Present from staff:

Village Clerk Maria C. Camara

In attendance:

Mayor David Coviello

Village Manager Heidi Shafran

Public Services Manager Krishan Manners

#### **3 Presentations**

Clerk Camara advised the Board that Attorney Hearn was unable to attend the meeting, and introduced the Mayor, Village Manager and Public Services Manager to the Board.

#### **4 New Business**

- 4.a Following an introduction by each board member, the Board selected Jenny Johnson-Sardella as the Chair and David Goehl as the Vice-Chair

4.b The Board selected the 2nd and 4th Thursday as their regular meeting dates at 7:00pm. The meetings for January are January 8th and January 22nd.

A motion was made by Board Member Irizarri to end each meeting at 9:00pm and it was seconded by Vice Chair Goehl. All in favor 7/0.

4.c Charter review process

There was consensus from the Board to invite the Commission and Village Manager to the next meeting to provide each an opportunity to present to the Board what areas of the Charter they are looking for review. Followed by input from residents. This meeting will be scheduled for January 8th and will be included in a flyer that is delivered to all residents.

There was consensus from the Board that the Village Attorney should attend all meetings.

## 5 **Adjournment**

Motion made by Board Member Keys to adjourn and it was seconded by Board Member Irizarri. All in favor 7/0.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45:pm

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Board approved on \_\_\_\_\_.

Attest:

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Jenny Johnson-Sardella, Chair

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Maria C. Camara, Village Clerk



RECREATION  
ADVISORY BOARD

Dan Samaria  
Chairman

Noah Jacobs  
Charly McDonald  
Walter Pettis

**MINUTES**  
**RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD**  
**Ed Burke Recreation Center, 11400 NE 9<sup>th</sup> Court**  
**Wed. August 27, 2014 at 7:00PM**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Walter Pettis, Dan Samaria, Noah Jacobs

**3. ADDITIONS, DELETIONS OR WITHDRAWALS TO ORDER OF BUSINESS**

Dan thanked Rosemary Weiss for her gift of a small cotton candy machine for the Rec. Board. Also asked the board if we can reimburse her for it. It was second by Walter and was approved 3-0. 5e. Resignation of Manny Espinosa as a board member, add 5i. Refrigerator for rec. center, add 8a. Work on the Halloween event, 8b. Event in September in reference to the health and fun walk.

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Before the minutes would be approved the City Manager wanted part of the minutes to be refuted, after a long discussion a motion was made to strike 5e by Walter and was second by Jacobs. It passed 2-1 with Dan saying no.

**5. NEW BUSINESS**

a. Dan welcomed new board member former Mayor Noah Jacobs to the board and reminded the board that he could be a great help for the board.

b. Dan also introduce the board to the new Parks and Recreation Director Shelecia Barkley who replaced Issa. Ms. Barkley informed the board of her back ground: she is from Coral Springs with her 3 year tenure, she has a bachelors and master's degree in sports and recreation management and then done many community based internships with Miami Dade parks and recreation; also worked with the Utah Salt Lake City parks and recreation department as well.

c. There was a discussion of new park rules and regulations for the Rec. Center. Shelecia informed the board that the new rules were not in place yet. She was currently going through the Miami Dade rules. Heidi informed the board the rules need to be uniform and signage need to be uniform for the proper enforcement



by staff and law enforcement. And asked the board to table it till sept. Jacobs suggested that she should look at other counties for best practices. Dan asked aren't there regulations about how this limits outsiders access to this equipment because we get money from the state? Heidi , we are looking at standardizing the rules for all use to formalize and professionalize all the rules; next step will be, we are not looking at any restrictions of use based on color, creed, height, weight, etc. Dan ok does that have to do with the cameras and lights? Heidi just the upkeep of the rec. center. Dan made a motion and second by Walter and approved 3-0 to move it to Sept. meeting.

d. Dan reminded the board that a resident at our last "Meet the Residents" had an idea with our future fundraiser that we have fitness machines outside around the rec. center, but it was coming up as too much money, so they made a suggestion that we buy a piece at a time. Some of the suggestion was that: bolted down, weather proof, Rec. Board would work with the foundation, Dan give some examples, placed around the outside of the rec. center, Dan also brought up ideals for placement: how much could the board raise that about \$200.00 an event, discussion of fundraising limitations on the rec. board, also that the board work with the administration on events not just on rec. board events, don't know how much it would cost, no timeframe, the whole package might be \$30,000.00, hoping to work the foundation to raise the money,

e. Dan discussed with the board an ideal that was also brought up by a resident Rosemary Weiss. She gave dan the name of a caller for a square dance to be held at the rec. center. The board thought it was a good idea and we would look into it.

f. Dan discussed with the board the 9/11 commemoration which will be held sat. Sept 13 from 7-8p.m. dan asked the board and village to help improve attendance for the event. Since it was short notice dan expected it to be for residents only, hoping for a bigger turnout for next year, the board was informed by the city manager that the village staff are limited so it would be harder to support, they will publicized by email and on the village website, the board will try to have a color guard, possibly a film. A motion for the event with a color guard with a color guard to honor the memory of 9/11 on Sept. 13, from 7-8p.m was made by Jacobs and was second by Walter and passed 3-0. The board also discussed selling hot dogs and popcorn at the event as a fundraising opportunity. Jacobs asked the Manager for specific language regarding fundraising for board Manager agrees to do this. Dan informed Jacobs that the commission already did that. The manager suggests that a board member comes to public comment at the sept. 9 commission meeting to ask for fundraising for the event.



g. Dan brought up what happened at the last “Meet the Residents” especially from the new board member that we had 19 residents who attended, and that it was catered by dan’s company Creepy Critters Pest Control and foundation DASK Children Foundation and we had \$89.00 in donations for the Rec. Center. Dan has informed the board the next “Meet the Residents” would be held Sept. 23 at our next meeting.

i. The board honored Rosemary Weiss for helping to clean and organize the Rec. Center which was left a mess under Issa’s watch.

j. Dan read the letter from Manny Espinosa resignation which read: I will not be attending tonight’s meeting, I’m extremely busy at the business and will continue for the rest of 2014. Please find someone who can replace me. Sorry but I have to set up priorities at this time.

k. Rosemary Weiss purchased a new cotton candy out of her pocket and Dan wanted the board to reimburse her for the money. A motion was by Jacobs to reimburse her the full amount of \$53.72 it was second by Walter passed 3-0.

j. Dan asked the board if they can support the idea of the rec. board buy the Rec. center a new refrigerator because it was damaged because the administration was putting a lock on it and there was a problem when they tried to put it they drilled into the door of it and damaged it. A motion that the board set aside \$500.00 if the administration cannot find anyone to donate one. The reason for that amount Jacobs reminded the board that there are other numerous other items on the radar for the rec. center as popcorn machine, exercise equipment. He asked can we split the cost with the village as they have the ability to raise necessary funds. The manager reminded that the village was holding about \$1,000.00 for the rec. board and that it had to be used by Sept 30, or it goes into the general fund of the village. Dan informed the manager that is not true that last year was asked the village for the money to be made out to the Foundation and they would put it into our acct. over there and that we don’t have to rush to spend it. The manager said she confirm with the finance director whether this would be allowed this year or would it cause an audit exception. The board also discussed Can we reach out to others to donate? Last year rec. board was allowed to roll money that was held by the village to the Foundation and there should be no reason why we can’t do that now. Jacobs we should find some way that the commission should allow boards to do more fundraising. He also said that he will send out email in 10 days and he will send a draft of email to the board and the Manager. The manager says he cannot do that it would be a violation of sunshine. He reminded her it would not, a motion was made by Jacobs that if the village is unable to secure a donation of a refrigerator by the 12



of Sept., the rec. board would work towards purchasing one for the rec. center up to the dollar amount of \$500.00. It was second by Walter and passed by 3-0.

**6. OLD BUSINESS**

a. A report was given by Rec. Center director in ref. to Garbage can enclosure project. She informed the board that the staff will work on it, she hopes to be done by next meeting or she will update the board.

**7. PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**8. FUTURE CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

a. The Rec. Director informed the board will be held Friday the 31 of Oct. along with the board's Children Safety Day will be held the say day. The board talked about: preparations for children safety day in getting vendors and sponsors. The board also talked about the haunted house which will be held at the rec. center. The Children Safety would be from 4-5:30 p.m., with the whole event is from 4-7:30 p.m. The Village now was the Haunted house for the children to be for older children 10-12. The board didn't think that we should the ages that we had in the past. Some of the events might include bounce house, scavenger hunt 5:30-7:30 p.m. Jacobs moves to support the schedule, with changes as necessary, second by Walter passed by 3-0.

b. There was a discussion in ref. to the Fun run and health expo held by the Village. We will try to get possible vendors, smoothies, healthy foods. The event starts at 8:30 and run concludes 11 or 12. And that there is Pancake fundraiser for one of the residents Jasmine of Biscayne Park. The event is to try to raise money to get her a wheelchair the target is \$3,000. To 5,000.00. The village is allowing her to have the rec. center free of charge. Before we were to end the meeting, Dan hopes that the board members would be able to attend the events and help the village in any way they can. Jacobs also hope that we will have block parties and encourage residents to get involved as a community event. The board agreed.

**9. Future Fund Raising**

9a. Dan asked the other members to come up with new ideas

**8. ANNOUNCEMENTS / SCHEDULE OF NEXT MEETING** – The next meeting of the Recreation Advisory Board is **Tues. 23, 2014**, at 7:00PM.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

Before we adjourned Dan informed the board that there was food and drinks sponsored by his Company Creepy Critters Pest Control and DASK Children Foundation. A motion was made at 8:27p.m by Walter and was second by Patrick passed 3-0.



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## BISCAYNE PARK FOUNDATION MINUTES

Tuesday, October 14, 2014 at 7:00PM  
Ed Burke Recreation Center  
11400 NE 9<sup>th</sup> Court Biscayne Park, FL 33161

### Board Members

President  
Supreme Dorvil

Vice president  
Jorge Marinoni

Treasurer  
Joe Chao

Secretary  
Marie Smith

Sylvia Linke

Dorvil called the meeting to order 7:06 p.m.

**Roll Call:** Board members: Supreme Dorvil, Joe Chao, Jorge Marinoni, Linke Sylvia. Absent: Marie Smith

**Approval of Minutes** September 22, 2014: Motion by Jorge Marinoni, seconded by Joe Chao, Motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer's report presented by Joe Chao.

**Approval of Treasurer's Report:** Motion by Supreme Dorvil seconded by Jorge Marinoni. Motion passed.

### Old Business:

**Food and Tunes:** We decided on a Food and Tunes event for next January 17th 2015

**Oktoberfest:** Sylvia updated us on the Oktoberfest event to be held at her house on Saturday October 18th. She is expecting at least 70 people. Sylvia will get a disk jockey and an open mike for a stand up comedian. Sylvia will cook most of the authentic German food. Sylvia will rent a Porta-Potty for the event. Joe Chao will bring the wine left over from the Wine and Food tasting events. Sylvia will get a couple of Kegs of German beer and some bottles of special German beer. Joe Chao informed us that we need to pull a permit with the City and that he will forward the application to Sylvia via email. Sylvia and Jorge talked to Krishan Manners, the Public Services Manager about securing tables and chairs for the event. Sylvia is paying for the event out of pocket but wants to get the money the day of the event from the funds taken at the gate. She will provide all necessary receipts to support her expenses. The board agreed to this.

**Foundation Shirts:** Joe Chao talked about the final T-Shirt design and it was agreed on a red color for the musical note, with the T-Shirt in Black and the design and lettering in white.

**Car/motorcycle Show:** Joe Chao talked about the Car and Motorcycle show to be held on Dec 20th. We discussed the possibility of parking the cars on 9th Ave but decided against it due to traffic and safety. Sylvia proposed selling "gingerbread men" during the event to get extra funds.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

**Next meeting December 8th @ 7:00 p.m. 2014.**

Minutes approved by the Board on \_\_\_\_\_.

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**Supreme Dorvil, President**

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**Marie Smith, Secretary**



PARKS &  
PARKWAY  
ADVISORY BOARD

Dan Keys  
Chairman

Barbara Kuhl  
Robert Moreno  
Robert Silverman  
Randy Wagoner

Alternate  
Lynn Fischer

**MINUTES**  
**PARKS & PARKWAY ADVISORY BOARD**  
**Ed Burke Recreation Center 11400 NE 9<sup>th</sup> Court**  
**Wednesday, November 19, 2014 at 6:00 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL – Barbara Kuhl, Robert Silverman, , Dan Keys and Lynn Fischer were present; Robert Moreno and Randy Wagoner were absent. Krishan Manners represented Staff.
2. AGENDA ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS – Mahogany tree planting recommendation – Lynn Fischer
3. PUBLIC COMMENT (PERMITTED FOR EACH AGENDA ITEM) -  
None
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The Board unanimously approved the minutes of 10.29.2014 with the correction that by Barbara Kuhl stating that here comments regarding the Million Orchid project were not that the project was not correct for the Village, but that the benefits of the project might not be available for 2 years.
5. OLD BUSINESS
  - A. VILLAGE STAFF REPORT
    1. **General median maintenance** – Krishan Manners advised that the Village had received a new “Scag” mower for the and I t was now being used to mow the medians.

The Board advised that it would like to see better maintenance on the NE 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue corridor. The green island ficus hedge needs to be trained to encourage tighter growth and to differentiate it from the other plant material in the planting. It should be trimmed down so that there is a clear difference in the height compared to the other plant material and so that there is a delineation between the plants. Missing plants should be replaced as they are damaged or die out.

2. **Tree removal and tree trimming issues** – Mr. Keys advised that he had met with the Village staff and the tree trimming contractor and that a path forward was unclear. The services of a Certified Arborist might be needed. It was also suggested that Mr. Manners contact Mark Torok, the state forester in charge of our grant to see if he could assist in working up a trimming plan for this project.



The Board asked Mr. Manners what the status of the tree removal permits previously obtained by the Village was, stating that they might be expired. He advised that he would check. A suggestion was made that Mr. Sosa Cruz might be contacted for information regarding the pending grants and projects that were in the works prior to his leaving the employ of the Village.

3. **Athletic field turf maintenance** – No news.

4. **Athletic field irrigation system maintenance** – The irrigation pump motor had been rewound and is now back in operation. Some new heads have been installed as replacements, but it is unknown if these were replacing damaged heads or heads that had already been slated for replacement because they were not correctly specified. Krishan advised that he would check and advise.

5. **Highway Beautification Grant Proposal made for median of NE 6<sup>th</sup> Ave** – work is in the planning stages.

6. **Sixth Ave. Bridge Grant** – Dan Keys reported that he had worked with staff to mark out the plants on the East side of the bridge and that the plan was to install them in the very near future. One of the Sabal palms on the East side is dead.

7. **Continued discussion of landscape planning for 121 Street @ NE 10 Ave, 10<sup>th</sup> Ave. median and all entrances along 121 Street and at NE 107 Street at the railroad tracks** – Related to entrance signage recommendation made by the Board – see below.

8. **Discussion of path forward for design and construction of secondary entrance signage related to grant funding** – The sign grant had been approved by the Commission, but there was no knowledge of what it said regarding how the money could be used, specifically related to whether some of the funds could be used to produce in part a design concept as previously proposed by the Board. Barbara Kuhl mentioned that Village funds should be considered for the augmentation of the median design process if the grant did not in the end permit such expenditure. The Board agreed.

Staff had assumed that the sketch of a sign design presented by Mr. Keys at the last meeting was the Boards recommendation for actually moving forward. The fact that this was only to be considered as one thought for the development of a sign, was reiterated.

The Board reiterated its recommendation made at two previous meetings, that a Landscape Architect be hired to work with the Village to



design a signage system and to produce a flexible framework for landscaping all of the medians in the Village.

**B. Million Orchid Project of Fairchild Garden –** Barbara Kuhl advised that she had looked into the project further and that she had learned that plants might not be available for dissemination for another 2 – 3 years. She further suggested that the Village try and start this project on its own. Discussion took place and a motion was made and passed to authorize a sub committee of Barbara Kuhl, Robert Silverman and Lynn Fischer to gather further information on the technical aspects of installing and growing the orchids in the trees of the Village and to generally move the project forward. Bob Silverman advised that he had a friend that might be able to assist with information.

**C. New proposed swale ordinance –** The Board discussed the Village commission's decision to move forward with the first reading of this Ordinance in spite of this Boards request that it have further review. In the absence of that opportunity the Board moved and approved a motion to forward the following issues for consideration:

- The Ordinance needs definitions of off street and on street parking.
- Define "Swale".
- There is no Variance process and one should be considered.
- Several sections as indicated below have approval requirements with no proposed processes. Processes should be defined.
- The impact on future FEMA funding related to how we deal with trees on the right of way of the Village should be investigated.
- Who will decides if proposals subject to Section 5.3.2 are adherent to the Miami-Dade County Public Works Manual? Is a Village permit required? Can the Village deny on other grounds? Is the (d) section here intended to require the installation of sidewalks? Under what circumstances can the Village require sidewalk installation?
- Related to Section 5.3.4 - Second sentence of (a) should be worded to better to indicate "where" the objects belonging to the Village are located; If all non-conforming constructions and landscaping in the Right of Way are Village property, does the Village accept liability for these as of the date of enactment? If so, why would it?; "Grass" needs to be defined – bamboo is a grass as is sugar cane; The section on dome makers needs to be compared with the requirements of the Miami-Dade County code, which supersedes our code; Re mailboxes – this section will cause a situation to exist such that the mail carriers will drive onto the swale to deliver mail. This will cause ruts adjacent to mail boxes. Consider not permitting on the right of way; 5.3.4 (e) should be worded not as ""restrictions ..." but shall indicate that the things to follow are the exception to the rule that nothing be planted or constructed unless specifically permitted; the



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language regarding intrusions of plant material into other zones should ensure that the intruding plant not intrude into the ground space or into the airspace above the adjacent zone; What is the criteria for what is an approved tree, or is one to assume that any proposed tree is OK? Who is authorized to issue the permit for tree planting? Will a restrictive covenant and insurance be required? The wording of the mulch section is confusing. What is really meant by “red” mulch?: Consider a shorter space for the visitor parking on the right of way – a Ford explorer is only 15” long. This section also is inadequate to describe the situations where this space is required and where not – what is the impact of existing driveways on this element? Is a permit required to establish this area such that it does not violate the triangle of visibility required later? Shouldn’t this section be a separate ON STREET PARKING SECTION?; Section (f) – again, how do driveways impact this determination? Can the Village require removal of existing no conforming situations? Can Village require certain maintenance, i.e. repaving, sealing, leveling. What are the residents responsibilities regarding maintenance of the right of way for hazards? How about restrictive covenants regarding driveway or other parking surfaces on the Swale? Section (g) – how about removal of improved elements on the swale (decorative driveways or parking areas made necessary for utility construction)?; (h) – Who decides what trees will get Village permits for removal? Process, appeal?; (i) what happens is non conforming plants in the Low Zone intrude above 3 feet in a triangle of visibility? Shouldn’t removal be required? What process will be undertaken to identify and document existing conditions to be removed or to remain grandfathered in?; (j) weak section – no reference to hazards or maintenance of paved surfaces or keeping gravel areas weed free, etc.; Statements such as “qualified tree trimming company and or arborist are meaningless as to ensuring that the person is qualified. Using “Certified Arborist” is meaningful as there is a nationally recognized training and certification program for this designation. Also, any trimming should require a permit from the Village and the Village should have authority over the specification (extent) of the trimming that is done. The Miami Dade County Code should be consulted as to the requirements for tree trimming – at a minimum the related ANSI Standards should be referenced specifically.

- 5.3.5 – Attorney should review to ensure that the Pubic Right of Way is difficult to get through a vacation process.
- An alternate triangle of visibility of 15’ should be considered for situations where a sidewalk exists in order to mitigate unnecessarily impact to resident properties. See Coral Gables City Code Section 16 -2.



- The terms Cross Visibility and Clear Visibility are both used. Are they the same thing?
- In stating that parking is not permitted in the triangle of visibility, the Village takes on the responsibility to enforce this requirement. Is the will present to indeed enforce the code? Again as stated earlier, is a permit for visitor parking required to ensure compliance with this visibility issue?;
- 5.5 – When are sidewalks required or permitted? Who is required to maintain?
- 5.6 – Needs to be evaluated as to current Florida Statutes. There are grandfather provisions in this section which conflicts with 5.9, which gives one year for compliance.
- Soil should also be included under the statement of what is never considered an approved surface.
- Item (a) - many driveways of mixed materials which have been recently installed and which seem to be nice, would be disallowed. Why? Also, some people may not want to improve the right of way with an expensive driveway surface that might be subject to removal for installation of utilities. Asphalt or other approved surface should be allowed.
- Item (c) – Driveways and “parking” areas ....
- Item (d) – What is intended by this requirement? Consolidation of the material. An aesthetic consideration of some sort? Gravel driveways should not be required to have permanent borders, as this is likely to not be any more effective at retaining the gravel than is the simple weight and depth of the material. A border adds considerable cost for little benefit. A statement of maintenance (keeping weed free, replenishing the gravel, keeping the gravel within intended bounds, periodically leveling the gravel surface) would be more effective at giving the Village a tool to manage aesthetics.
- Item (e) – Road Rock is not defined (neither is gravel for that matter). Gravel should be defined, as a loose material not intended for compaction (like road rock). Consideration of gravel as being a material not to exceed ½ inch in diameter is advised. Consider permitting the village to have a list of approved gravels for driveways.
- Item (f) related to the swale, which is not related to Off-Street parking.
- 5.9 – does the Village have the will to implement a program of compliance? Should there be any statements of the process to do this so as to compel the administration to act?

The Parks and Parkways Board remains available for any further discussions of this Ordinance, the basic tenants of which were developed in tandem with the Code Review Board with the hope that it would have been brought back to us in draft form prior to submission to the Commission.



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### 6. NEW BUSINESS

A. MAHOGANY TREES FOR THE SOUTH SIDE OF NE 107 STREET – Lynn Fischer asked if the Village could be asked about the possibility of planting Mahogany trees on the South side of 107 street as had been discussed previously. This would balance the planting on the North side that the Village had installed.

NEXT MEETING DATE – TBD

ADJOURNMENT – the meeting adjourned at approximately 8 PM.

Minutes of November 19, 2014 were approved on \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dan Keys, Chair



ECOLOGY BOARD

Carmen DeBernardi  
Chair

Karla Gottlieb  
Tom Pliske  
Marie Smith  
Richie Strassberg

Alternate  
Luca Bronzi

**MINUTES**  
**Ecology Board**  
**Ed Burke Recreation Center**  
**11400 NE 9<sup>th</sup> Court, Biscayne Park, FL**

November 17, 2014

1. Call to Order at 6:40 pm
2. Roll Call: Present were Tom Pliske, Richie Strassberg, Karla Gottlieb and Carmen De Bernardi
3. Approval of Minutes from the September 15, 2014 meeting.
4. Old Business
  - a. Tom Pliske will check into native plant sale taking place on 12/20/14.
  - b. Canal cleanup will be scheduled sometime in February or March 2015. There was a short discussion about contacting the Urban Paradise Guild for use of their boats.
  - c. E-waste event with STS Florida Electronic Recycling will be put off until the first part of 2015
5. Public Comments  
None
6. Announcements  
The next meeting of the Ecology Board will be on Monday, December 15, 2014 at 6:30 pm at the Ed Burke Recreation Center.
7. Adjournment  
  
The meeting was adjourned at 6:42p.m.



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On this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014.



PUBLIC ART  
ADVISORY BOARD

Veronica Fascie  
Karen Marinoni  
Larry Newberry  
Susan Weiss

**MINUTES  
PUBLIC ART ADVISORY BOARD  
Ed Burke Recreation Center, 11400 NE 9<sup>th</sup> Ct., Biscayne Park, FL  
Wednesday, November 12, 2014 at 6:00PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL – The meeting was called to order at 6:03pm. Present were board members Larry Newberry, Karen Marinoni and Susan Weiss. Veronica Fascie was absent. Also present was Village Clerk Maria Camara and Public Services Manager Krishan Manners.
2. AGENDA ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS - None
3. PUBLIC COMMENT (PERMITTED FOR EACH AGENDA ITEM) - None
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - Karen Marinoni makes a motion to approve the minutes of September 10<sup>th</sup> and it was seconded by S. Weiss. All in favor. Motion carries 3-0.
5. OLD BUSINESS –
  - a. At the WinterFest event on Saturday, December 20<sup>th</sup>, the Public Art Advisory Board looks to have a table to display a kinetic sculpture and possibly a donation box for Biscayne Park public art.
  - b. The next Village newsletter is February 2015. Public Art Advisory Board will have article/photos.
  - c. Public Art Advisory Board will provide information for the Village website.
6. NEW BUSINESS –
  - a. Susan Weiss provided the idea of adding “art markers” at dog stations throughout the Village. Will bring drawings/sketches for next meeting.
  - b. Susan Weiss provided idea of topiaries throughout the Village. Will bring ideas for next meeting.
  - c. Board will work with Parks & Parkway for Village signage. Public Services Manager Krishan Manners provided an example of signage discussed at Parks & Parkway, metal work made with water-jet cut. Larry Newberry makes a motion to support the signage idea from the Parks & Parkway Advisory Board. It is seconded by Susan Weiss. All in favor. Motion carries 3-0.



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7. NEXT MEETING DATE – Wednesday, December 10, 2014 at 6:00pm.
  8. ADJOURNMENT – Meeting was adjourned at 6:35pm.
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Minutes approved on \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

By: \_\_\_\_\_



PLANNING &  
ZONING BOARD

Gage Hartung  
Chairman

Andrew Olis  
Vice Chairman

Carl Bickel  
Elizabeth Hornbuckle  
Doug Tannehill

Alternate  
Mario Rumiano

## MINUTES

### PLANNING & ZONING BOARD MEETING

Ed Burke Recreation Center

11400 NE 9<sup>th</sup> Court – Biscayne Park, FL

Monday, December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014 at 6:30pm

1. **CALL TO ORDER**  
The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.
2. **ROLL CALL**  
Gage Hartung – Chair Member – present  
Andrew Olis – Vice Chair – present  
Carl Bickel – Board Member – absent  
Elizabeth Hornbuckle - Board Member – present  
Doug Tannehill – Board Member – present  
Shanesa Mykoo and Sal Annese – Staff attendance – present
3. **ADDITIONS, DELETIONS OR WITHDRAWALS TO ORDER OF BUSINESS**  
None
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**  
November 3<sup>rd</sup>, and November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2014  
  
Motion by A. Olis, seconded by E. Hornbuckle and approved 3-0  
Motion by E. Hornbuckle, seconded by A. Olis and approved 3-0  
\*D. Tannehill was absent during votes
5. **PAINT PERMITS**  
None
6. **BUILDING PERMITS**
  - a. Morrison – 11401 NE 7<sup>th</sup> Ave – New shed  
Motion by A. Olis, seconded by E. Hornbuckle and approved 3-0  
\*D. Tannehill was absent during vote
  - b. Hart – 11001 NE 9<sup>th</sup> Ct – New roof addition  
Motion by A. Olis, seconded by E. Hornbuckle and approved 3-0  
\*D. Tannehill was absent during vote
  - c. 951 NE 119<sup>th</sup> St LLC –Install pavers (after the fact)  
Motion by A. Olis, seconded by E. Hornbuckle and approved 3-0  
\* D. Tannehill was absent during vote
  - d. Sanchez and Partners – 472 NE 121 St – New pool  
\*Tabled (code issues)
  - e. Gamble – 11121 Griffing Blvd – Replace windows  
Motion by D. Tannehill, seconded by E. Hornbuckle and approved 4-0
  - f. Pontius – 751 NE 114<sup>th</sup> St – install shutters  
Motion by E. Hornbuckle, seconded by D. Tannehill and approved 4-0
  - g. Hart – 11001 NE 9<sup>th</sup> Ct – Remodel driveway  
Motion by D. Tannehill, seconded by E. Hornbuckle and approved 4-0
  - h. Hart – 11001 NE 9<sup>th</sup> Ct – New windows  
Motion by A. Olis, seconded by D. Tannehill and approved 4-0



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7. **Administrative Variance**

None

The next meetings of the Planning & Zoning Board are Monday, December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2014

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes approved on: \_\_\_\_\_

(Date)

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Gage Hartung, Chair Planning & Zoning Board



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## **MINUTES PLANNING & ZONING BOARD MEETING Ed Burke Recreation Center 11400 NE 9<sup>th</sup> Court – Biscayne Park, FL Monday, December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 6:30pm**

### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

### **2. ROLL CALL**

Gage Hartung – Chair Member – present  
Andrew Olis – Vice Chair – present  
Carl Bickel – Board Member – present  
Elizabeth Hornbuckle – Board Member – absent  
Doug Tannehill – Board Member – present  
Shanesa Mykoo, Krishan Manners and Sal Annese – Staff attendance – present

### **3. ADDITIONS, DELETIONS OR WITHDRAWALS TO ORDER OF BUSINESS**

### **4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014

Motion by D. Tannehill, seconded by A. Olis and approved 3-0  
\*C. Bickel absent at previous meeting

### **5. PAINT PERMITS**

None

### **6. BUILDING PERMITS**

- a. VOBP – 640 NE 114<sup>th</sup> St – New Annex Building  
Motion by A. Olis, seconded by C. Bickel and approved 4-0
- b. Collins – 929 NE 120<sup>th</sup> St – Reroof  
Motion by C. Bickel, seconded by A. Olis and approved 4-0
- c. Schlawino – 11122 NE 9<sup>th</sup> Ave – Driveway and patio  
Motion by D. Tannehill, seconded by A. Olis and approved 4-0
- d. McNoldy – 1008 NE 116<sup>th</sup> St - Reroof  
Motion by D. Tannehill, seconded by A. Olis and approved 4-0
- e. Jarvis - 820 NE 117<sup>th</sup> St – New screen porch  
Motion by C. Bickel, seconded by A. Olis and approved 4-0
- f. Beltran – 961 NE 116<sup>th</sup> St – Change front door  
Motion by D. Tannehill, seconded by C. Bickel and approved 4-0
- g. Almagro – 12010 NE 11<sup>th</sup> Pl – Paved parking  
Motion by A. Olis, seconded by D. Tannehill and approved 4-0
- h. Debaldo – 631 NE 114<sup>th</sup> St – Replace windows  
Motion by A. Olis, seconded by D. Tannehill and approved 4-0
- i. Goodman – 11120 Griffing Blvd – Replace windows  
Motion by D. Tannehill, seconded by C. Bickel and approved 4-0
- j. Jobson – 11000 Ne 9<sup>th</sup> Ave - Replace roof  
Motion by A. Olis, seconded by C. Bickel and approved 4-0
- k. Zoeller – 12004 NE 8 Ave – Driveway  
Motion by A. Olis, seconded by D. Tannehill and approved 4-0  
\*with extension to street



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- I. Darty – 970 NE 113<sup>th</sup> St – Replace windows  
Motion by A. Olis, seconded by C. Bickel and approved 4-0
- m. Church of Resurrection – 690 NE 113<sup>th</sup> St – Reroof  
Motion by A. Olis, seconded by D. Tannehill and approved 4-0
- n. McCormick – 886 NE 117<sup>th</sup> St – Pool addition  
Motion by A. Olis, seconded by D. Tannehill and approved 4-0
- o. Holland – 844 NE 119<sup>th</sup> St - Awning  
Motion by A. Olis, seconded D. Tannehill and approved 4-0
- p. Armias – 831 NE 109<sup>th</sup> St – Fence  
Motion by D. Tannehill, seconded by A. Olis and approved 4-0
- q. Lominky – 10718 NE 9<sup>th</sup> Ave – Shed  
Motion by A. Olis, seconded by D. Tannehill and approved 4-0
- r. Sanchez & Partners – 472 NE 121 St - Pool  
\*Tabled – More information

### **7. Administrative Variance**

- a. Martinez – 1119 NE 11<sup>th</sup> PI – Boat Variance  
\*Tabled – Proof that boat does not fit

### **8. ADJOURNMENT**

This meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

The next meetings of the Planning & Zoning Board are Monday, January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015 and Tuesday January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015

Minutes approved on: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Gage Hartung, Chair Planning & Zoning Board



**CODE  
COMPLIANCE  
BOARD**

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Gary Kuhl

Vice Chairman  
Harvey Bilt

Michael Beltran  
Dale Blanton  
Linda Dillon

Alternate  
Jenny Johnson-  
Sardella

**MINUTES  
CODE COMPLIANCE BOARD  
Ed Burke Recreation Center 11400 NE 9th Court  
Tuesday- December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Gary Kuhl – Chair-present  
Harvey Bilt – Vice Chair-present  
Michael Beltran-absent  
Dale Blanton-present  
Linda Dillon-absent  
Jenny Johnson-Sardella-present  
Staff Attendance - Code Officer Reginald White and Finance Clerk, Wendy Hernandez  
Administrative Attendance – Public Services Manager, Krishan Manners

**3. ADDITIONS, DELETIONS OR WITHDRAWALS TO ORDER OF BUSINESS**

-Deletion of Item 7a and postponed to next month's meeting by Code Officer White

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

a. November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2014 - Approved

**5. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. New Capital Real EST Holdings – 1010 NE 120th St (Yamil Castillo present)–  
Construction on the property has been abandoned: Case# 14-0343  
- Motion by D. Blanton, seconded by J. Johnson-Sardella, Vote count 4-0  
- Not in compliance, postpone for (30) thirty days, permit for electrical and roof must be pulled before the thirty days.
- b. Andres F Bejerano & W Karin – 945 NE 118th St – Trash stored in back of the house along the alley: Case# 14-0321  
- In Compliance, Motion to close case by J. Johnson-Sardella, seconded by H. Bilt. Vote count 4-0
- c. Theodore W Levitt – 12000 NE 11th Ct – Tree encroaching in the public right of way: Case# 14-0316  
- In Compliance, Motion to close case by H. Bilt, seconded by J. Johnson-Sardella. Vote count 4-0
- d. Frederick Diehl & W Angela - 470 NE 121th St – Discarded building material on the property: Case# 14-0341  
- In Compliance, Motion to close case by D. Blanton, seconded by J. Johnson-Sardella. Vote count 4-0

**6. OLD BUSINESS:**

- a. Ignacio De Almagro III - 12010 NE 11th PL-Boat stored in the front yard: Case# 14-0216  
-In Compliance, Motion to close case by D. Blanton, seconded by H. Bilt. Vote count 4-0



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- b. Frank Hacia, Estelle Hacia - 820 NE 111th St (Frank Hacia present) -Boat stored in the front yard: Case# 14-0230  
Motion by H. Bilt, seconded by J. Johnson-Sardella, Vote count 4-0  
Variance was denied on December 1<sup>st</sup> Planning and Zoning meeting. Code Compliance Board asked Administration to assist resident in this matter.
- c. Gilles Tardif - 11119-11121 NE 11th PL-Boat stored in the front yard: Case# 14-0296  
- Motion by D. Blanton, seconded by J. Johnson-Sardella, Vote count 4-0  
- Not in compliance, Fine of \$50 and daily fine of \$10 to commence January 16<sup>th</sup> 2014, Variance was denied on December 15<sup>th</sup>'s Planning and Zoning meeting
- d. 951 NE 119th St LLC - 951 NE 119th St-Concrete blocked walkway and driveway constructed without a permit: Case# 14-0275  
-In Compliance, Motion to dismiss by D. Blanton, seconded by H. Bilt. Vote count 4-0
- e. JP Morgan Chase Bank NATL ASSN - 11804 NE 11th Ave-Address numbers not legible from the road: Case# 14-0274  
Motion to rescind motion made on November 12<sup>th</sup>'s meeting. Code Officer re-inspected and numbers were visible.

### **7. FINE REDUCTION**

- a. John Stowell - 11643 NE 11th Pl-Dirty and discolored awnings and exterior walls: Case#12-12-1701, 14-0035  
-Deletion for tonight and postponed to next month's meeting by Code Officer White
- b. Clyde Beck – 11704 NE 11th Ave-(O. De Frias, D. Delgado and Attorney Kelley present) Property Maintenance – Paint: Case# 05-100  
Offer of \$2,500 was made by new owners with Attorney.  
Motion to accept offer by D. Blanton, seconded by J. Johnson-Sardella Vote count 4-0  
Amount of \$ 2,500.00 is inclusive of Special Pick up Invoices in the sum of \$ 115.00.  
Check was submitted to Finance Clerk.

### **8. ANNOUNCEMENTS / SCHEDULE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Code Compliance Board is Tuesday, January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2014, at 7:00pm

### **9. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Minutes approved on \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Gary Kuhl, Chair



PUBLIC ART  
ADVISORY BOARD

Veronica Fascie  
Karen Marinoni  
Larry Newberry  
Susan Weiss

## MINUTES

### PUBLIC ART ADVISORY BOARD

Ed Burke Recreation Center, 11400 NE 9<sup>th</sup> Ct., Biscayne Park, FL  
Wednesday, December 10, 2014 at 6:00PM

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL – The meeting was called to order at 6:03pm. Present were board members Karen Marinoni, Susan Weiss and Veronica Fascie. Larry Newberry was absent. Also present was Village Clerk Maria Camara and Public Services Manager Krishan Manners.
2. AGENDA ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS - None
3. PUBLIC COMMENT (PERMITTED FOR EACH AGENDA ITEM) - None
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Susan Weiss makes a motion to approve the minutes of November 12<sup>th</sup> and it was seconded by Karen Marinoni. All in favor. Motion carries 3-0.
5. OLD BUSINESS –
  - a. At the WinterFest event on Saturday, December 20<sup>th</sup>, the Public Art Advisory Board will have a table with literature about the Board. Clerk Camara to reach out to Larry Newberry to confirm he will bring a kinetic sculpture to display. Board to provide what to include in the literature and Clerk Camara will format and provide to the Board for approval.
  - b. Veronica Fascie will get information on how to put a photo contest together.
  - c. Veronica Fascie will talk with a metal sculptor to get a design and cost for a 3' x 3 ½' sculpture for the idea of “art markers” at the pet waste stations.
  - d. In regards to the entrance signage proposed by the Parks & Parkway Advisory Board, there is consensus to have a joint meeting with the Public Art Advisory Board and Parks & Parkway Advisory Board on design ideas. Krishan Manners provided an update that the Village may not be getting the grant funding.
6. NEW BUSINESS –
  - a. Shelecia Bartley, Parks & Recreation Manager, working on a Cultural Grant. Looks to having an art festival, “Art in the Park”, and to do a call to artists for this event. To be scheduled for May 2015.



## *The Village of Biscayne Park*

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- b. Karen Marinoni suggested looking into changing the paint color of the Recreation Center exterior to be more pleasing to the eye. Looks to continue discussion on color choices and budget for next year.

7. NEXT MEETING DATE – Wednesday, January 14, 2015, at 6:00pm.

8. ADJOURNMENT – Meeting was adjourned at 6:40pm.

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Minutes approved on \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

By: \_\_\_\_\_



# Village of Biscayne Park Commission Agenda Report

**Village Commission Meeting Date:** January 6, 2015

**Subject:** Resolution 2015 – 01 Community Grant Application

**Prepared By:** Shelecia Bartley, Parks & Recreation Manager

**Sponsored By:** Staff

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## BACKGROUND

Currently, the Village of Biscayne Park hosts many events for the local community, but none that are art and culture based. By applying for this grant that is sponsored by the Miami Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs, the Village would sponsor an art festival that will promote the growth of the Village's cultural community as well as community involvement.

The proposed art festival will:

- Establish the Village as a community that supports local talent.
- Display art work and talent of local emerging visual and musical artists.

## FISCAL / BUDGET IMPACT

In the current budget there is \$2,500 allocated for this event as the 50% matching requirement of this grant which totals \$5,000. This amount will be used to pay for staging, lighting, marketing, and the musical entertainment for the event, as well as a donation of \$250 to the Dr. Michael M. Krop High School Visual Arts Department. The donation meets a grant requirement of a monetary contribution that would enhance awareness of the arts in the community.

## STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of Resolution 2015-01.

## ATTACHMENTS

- Resolution No. 2015-01
- Community Grant Program information
- Summary of planned events and participants

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4 **RESOLUTION NO. 2015-01**  
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6 **A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COMMISSION**  
7 **OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA,**  
8 **AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MANAGER TO**  
9 **EXECUTE AND SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION**  
10 **AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS, AND**  
11 **COMMITTING TO THE PROVISION OF MATCHING**  
12 **FUNDS TO THE COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM**  
13 **OF THE MIAMI DADE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF**  
14 **CULTURAL AFFAIRS; PROVIDING FOR AN**  
15 **EFFECTIVE DATE**  
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18 WHEREAS, the Mayor and Commission of the Village of Biscayne Park wishes to  
19 continue to develop cultural programs, projects and events that provide an artistic component for  
20 the Village and its residents; and,  
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22 WHEREAS, the Miami Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs Community Grants  
23 Program is accepting applications, and;  
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25 WHEREAS, the Community Grants Program requires a fifty percent (50%) match of the  
26 requested grant amount of \$5,000, and;  
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28 WHEREAS, the Village is requesting the funding for an Art in the Park event scheduled  
29 for May 2015 featuring art and music at the Ed Burke Recreation Center.  
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32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE VILLAGE COMMISSION OF THE  
33 VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:  
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36 **Section 1:** The Village Manager is authorized to execute and submit the application  
37 and supporting documents.  
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39 **Section 2:** The Village Commission has approved a provision of \$2,500 in matching  
40 funds in the FY 2014-2015 Budget in order to provide the required match.  
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42 **Section 3.** This Resolution shall become effective upon adoption.  
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46 PASSED AND ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2015  
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**The foregoing resolution upon being  
put to a vote, the vote was as follows:**

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David Coviello, Mayor

Attest:

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Maria C. Camara, Village Clerk

Approved as to form:

\_\_\_\_\_  
John J. Hearn, Village Attorney

Mayor Coviello: \_\_\_\_  
Vice Mayor Jonas: \_\_\_\_  
Commissioner Anderson: \_\_\_\_  
Commissioner Ross: \_\_\_\_  
Commissioner Watts: \_\_\_\_

## OUR FACILITIES



## COMMUNITY GRANTS (CG) PROGRAM

Contact: Roxana Barba | (305) 375-4209 | [rbarba@miamidade.gov](mailto:rbarba@miamidade.gov)

### Deadlines:

#### First Quarter (projects taking place between October 1 - December 31)

- Thursday, July 3, 2014, 4:00 PM

#### Second Quarter (projects taking place between January 1 - March 31)

- Thursday, September 4, 2014, 4:00 PM

#### Third Quarter (projects taking place between April 1 - June 30)

- Thursday, January 8, 2015, 4:00 PM

#### Fourth Quarter - (projects taking place between July 1 - September 30)

- Thursday, March 12, 2015, 4:00 PM

Maximum Request: \$7,500 / \$15,000

### [FY 2014-2015 Community Grants Program Guidelines](#)

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## USEFUL LINKS

[ArtBurst Miami](#)

[Culture Shock Miami](#)

[Golden Ticket Arts Guide](#)

[Greater Miami and the Beaches Event Calendar](#)

[MiamiArtsJobs.com](#)

[Miami-Dade County Art in Public Places](#)

[Miami Museum Month](#)

[power2give.org](#)

[South Florida Cultural Consortium Fellowship](#)

The Community Grants (CG) Program is responsive on a quarterly basis to not-for-profit organizations developing small and large-scale community-based cultural (dance, theater, music, visual arts) programs, as well as projects and events, such as fairs, parades, neighborhood festivals, conferences and publications that have a strong artistic component. The CG panel considers projects with strong community involvement and/or outreach component. Arts organizations not meeting these criteria should consider applications to other Department programs. The CG Program is particularly sensitive to the needs of indigenous cultural neighborhood activities and projects encouraging the preservation of heritage, traditions and culture, as well as social service organizations and cultural groups developing collaborative intervention projects using the arts.

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**Mandatory Pre-Application Requirements:** All first-time applicants **must** attend a Culture Grants Online Training Workshop, a CG Workshop and schedule a consultation with the program administrator. Returning applicants **must** schedule a consultation with the program administrator.

[Click here to RSVP to a CGO Workshop](#) | [Click here to RSVP to a CG Workshop](#)

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[FY 2014-2015 Community Grants Program Panel Members](#)

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**FY 2013-2014 CG Grantees Lists - [First Quarter](#) | [Second Quarter](#) | [Third Quarter](#) | [Fourth Quarter](#)**

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**CG Grants Program Timeline\***

	<b>First Quarter (CLOSED)</b>	<b>Second Quarter</b>	<b>Third Quarter</b>	<b>Fourth Quarter</b>
<b>Applications Available</b>	June 13, 2014	August 16, 2014	December 19, 2014	February 19, 2015
<b>CGO Basics Workshop Date</b>	Thursday, June 5, 2014 at 2:00 PM	Thursday, July 31, 2014 at 2:00 PM	Thursday, November 20, 2014 at 2:00 PM	Thursday, February 5, 2015 at 2:00 PM
<b>CG Program Workshop</b>	Thursday, June 12, 2014 at 2:00 PM	Thursday, August 14, 2014 at 2:00 PM	Thursday, December 18, 2014 at 2:00 PM	Thursday, February 19, 2015 at 2:00 PM
<b>Deadline</b>	<b>Thursday, July 3, 2014, 4:00 PM</b>	<b>Thursday, September 4, 2014, 4:00 PM</b>	<b>Thursday, January 8, 2015, 4:00 PM</b>	<b>Thursday, March 12, 2015, 4:00 PM</b>
<b>Application Comments / Corrections Issued</b>	July 25, 2014	<del>September 26, 2014</del> <i>New Date: September 29, 2014</i>	January 30, 2015	April 3, 2015
<b>Corrected / Final Application Due</b>	Friday, August 1, 2014, 4:00 PM	<del>Friday, October 3, 2014, 4:00 PM</del> <i>New Date: Monday, October 6, 2014, 4 PM</i>	Friday, February 6, 2015, 4:00 PM	Friday, April 10, 2015, 4:00 PM
<b>CG Panel Meeting Date</b>	<b>August 28, 2014 2:00 PM</b>	<b>October 30, 2014 2:00 PM</b>	<b>February 26, 2015 2:00 PM</b>	<b>April 30, 2015 2:00 PM</b>
<b>Cultural Affairs Council</b>	September 17, 2014	November 19, 2014	March 18, 2015	May 20, 2015

<b>Approval</b>	12 Noon	12 Noon	12 Noon	12 Noon
<b>Award Notifications Issued</b>	October 2014	December 2014	April 2015	June 2015
<b>Board of County Commissioners Approval</b>	November 2014	January 2015	May 2015	July 2015
<b>Availability of Grant Funds</b>	Approximately January 2015	Approximately February 2015	Approximately June 2015	Approximately September 2015

*\*Dates/times subject to change.*

## **Biscayne Park's "Art in the Park"**

On May 16, 2015, the Village of Biscayne Park will host a music and art event that is free of charge for the friends and residents of the Village. An art exhibit will be hosted in the Ed Burke Recreation Center featuring works from the students of Dr. Michael M. Krop Senior High School, as well as local artists in the area. Some local artists that are tentatively scheduled are Javier Bohoroquez, Veronica Fascie and more to follow. In addition to the art exhibits in the recreation center, outdoor there will be jazz concert featuring *The Music Makers*, and *The Elegance Project*.

Dr. Michael M. Krop Senior High has a small, yet intensive visual and performing arts program composed of very talented students in various strands, from visual arts to theatre, music and dance. In the exhibit students from the magnet visual arts program will showcase their works.

Biscayne Park Resident Veronica Fascie received her bachelor's degree in 1987 from the National School of Fine Arts in Argentina. She attained a specialized degree in set design, also from the National School in 1991. Upon completing her formal schooling, she gained additional training in various subjects, including a private yearlong study under professional architect Marcelo Carrafanq on architectural perspective and restoration, and training in drawing and sculpture with sculptor Maria Angela Politi in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Javier Bohoroquez is a photographer and new media artist based in New York and Florida. The foundation of his digital artwork is based upon his photographs. His creative process involves layers of imagination that create powerful compositions where color plays a dominant role. For Jabo, color is a strong driving force that comes from his Latin roots. His technical skills were gained from studies done at leading schools such as the International Center of Photography in New York and the Applied Art School in Amagansett, New York.

The Music Maker Band is one Florida's most talented, versatile group of musicians and singers. With years of collected music experience, the band plays a variety of jazz, funk, blues and Motown.

The Elegance Project is a Latin jazz project founded in 2008. It is a fusion of Cuban and world music with traditional jazz, highlighting the dynamics and rhythmic details in an elegant repertoire and the band is composed of high-level musicians based in the city of Miami.

The entire Art in the Park event would start at 3:00 pm and end at 8:00 pm. The art exhibit portion would open in the recreation center from 3pm to 6pm. During this time as well there would be a variety of culture food trucks. Some of the food trucks committed will be Food Dude (Caribbean/ Jerk) and Pizza Villa (Italian). We are in the process of procuring more cultural food truck vendors.



## **Village of Biscayne Park Commission Agenda Report**

**Village Commission Meeting Date:** January 6, 2015

**Subject:** Resolution supporting the preservation  
of a rare tract of rockland

**Prepared By:** Commissioner Barbara Watts

**Sponsored By:** Commission

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### **Background**

The University of Miami has sold a tract of extremely rare pine rockland located near S.W. 152<sup>nd</sup> St. and S.W. 127<sup>th</sup> Ave. for mixed use development. Over 20% of the plants in this ecosystem are found nowhere else in the world and five of them are federally listed as endangered or threatened species. In addition, this tract is one of the largest remaining tracts of pine rockland in Miami-Dade County that is not protected, and it should be.

This resolution was brought forward at the November 6<sup>th</sup> meeting and a motion to pass failed due to a lack of second. Following that the Mayor stated it could be brought back for further discussion and with additional information provided.

## **Fiscal / Budget Impact**

## **Recommendation**

Approval of Resolution 2014-78

## **Attachments**

- Resolution 2014-78
- Related articles

## **Links:**

- [www.miamidade.gov/environment/pine-rocklands.asp](http://www.miamidade.gov/environment/pine-rocklands.asp)
- [www.fws.gov/southeastfire/documents/MSRP\\_PineRocklands.pdf](http://www.fws.gov/southeastfire/documents/MSRP_PineRocklands.pdf)
- [www.weather.com/news/science/environment/endangered-florida-pine-rockland-forest-walmart-20140714](http://www.weather.com/news/science/environment/endangered-florida-pine-rockland-forest-walmart-20140714)

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3 **RESOLUTION NO. 2014-78**  
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5 **A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE**  
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7 **BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA, OPPOSING**  
8 **THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF**  
9 **APPROXIMATELY 88 ACRES OF PINE**  
10 **ROCKLAND GENERALLY LOCATED**  
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19 generally located along S.W. 152<sup>nd</sup> Street and S.W. 127<sup>th</sup> Avenue in unincorporated Miami-  
20 Dade County is to be developed as a mixed use development (the "Property"); and,  
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22 WHEREAS, the Property consists of one of the last intact tracts of endangered pine  
23 rockland ("Rockland") within Miami-Dade County; and,  
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25 WHEREAS, Rockland is a globally imperiled habitat containing an array of rare plants,  
26 animals, and insects which are rare and exclusive to that habitat; and  
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28 WHEREAS, some of the endangered species for which Rockland provides habitat  
29 include the bald eagle, indigo snake, the Florida bonneted bat, and two rare butterflies; and  
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31 WHEREAS, preservation of the native Rockland, and the species for which it provides  
32 a home, is of great importance for the protection of our native forest's unique and endangered  
33 environment; and  
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35 WHEREAS, the Village of Biscayne Park (the "Village") is concerned about the loss of  
36 this valuable Rockland and desires to express its opposition to the development of the  
37 Property; and  
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39 WHEREAS, the Village Commission finds that this Resolution is in the best interest  
40 and welfare of the residents of the Village.  
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42 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE VILLAGE COMMISSION OF  
43 THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA:  
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45 **Section 1.** The foregoing "Whereas" clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as  
46 being true and correct and hereby made a specific part of this Resolution upon adoption hereof.  
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48 **Section 2.** The Village Commission hereby opposes the proposed development of  
49 the Property.



MiamiHeraldRockPineland

Some back-up information from news media re: Rock Pineland controversy.

## **Feds ask developer to stop work on Walmart in rare Miami-Dade forest**

By Jenny Staletovich

07/17/2014 6:43 PM

07/17/2014 6:51 PM



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An architectural drawing shows apartments planned for land near Zoo Miami containing endangered pine rocklands. Ram

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- [Comments](#)

A developer building a Walmart on a tract of disappearing forest between two national parks in south Miami-Dade County should stop all work until a survey of endangered wildlife is completed, federal officials warned this week.

In a strongly worded letter sent to Ram Realty Services, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service said at least eight threatened species, including the federally protected Florida bonneted bat and two endangered plants, could inhabit about 140 acres of pine rockland north of Zoo Miami off Coral Reef Drive.

Field Supervisor Craig Aubrey said Ram should first obtain a federal permit before proceeding with any work that could threaten protected species.

“We want to work with them to make sure there’s a project that balances the economic development with the needs of the species there,” Aubrey said. “It’s not just one species. There’s a lot of sensitive resources out there.”

In a statement, Ram Chairman Peter Cummings said the company, which received the letter within the last two days, was reviewing the recommendations and plans to meet with wildlife officials.

“We will take no action that disturbs the natural environment before resolving the Service’s concerns,” the statement said. “The environment will be a valuable asset for the community we plan to create.”

Walmart spokesman Bill Wertz said in a statement his company was also dedicated to preservation, having “worked for nearly a decade on conservation efforts to protect priority lands across the country.”

But the plan to construct one of the retail giant’s discount stores in a development called Coral Reef Commons has generated backlash since it was reported in a Herald story this week. Much of the outrage has been aimed at the University of Miami, which sold the 88-acre parcel to Ram for \$22 million.

Tropical Audubon, which had fought to save the land for years, fired off a letter and online petitions have collected thousands of signatures.

“You can look at the response from the public,” said Laura Reynolds, executive director of Tropical Audubon. “If I was the Walmart CEO, I would pull out.”

Critics, including former UM students, have complained that the university, which pours millions into its Rosenstiel School of Marine and Atmospheric Science and Abess Center for Ecosystem Science & Policy, is being a poor environmental steward.

“I can’t believe...UM, which I believe teaches the importance of conservation, would partake in this horrific deal,” alumni Paul Anthony said in an email.

The university, which has declined to answer questions, said in a statement Thursday it was committed to preserving natural resources and that it had worked with the county to come up with a management plan that preserves about 40 acres of the tract, as required under a county ordinance designed to save endangered rockland.

“We went through a transparent, public process with DERM and the County including public meetings,” the statement said. “The University acted in good faith and in compliance with all rules and regulations in its handling of the South Campus property.”

Just two percent remain of about 165,000 acres of pine rocklands that once stretched from Homestead to the Miami River on an upland ridge. The rare rocklands occur in just two places in the world — Miami-Dade County and the Bahamas — and provide habitat for a host of animals, insects and plants found no place else on earth.

UM had operated a South Campus on the land, part of the old Richmond Naval Air Station, since the 1940s. It was used mainly for research projects and storage. The school left most of the land undeveloped and, county regulators say, failed to manage the forest and allowed it to degrade.

In 2004, after deciding to build an academic village, the school conducted a botanical field study to determine what pinelands remained. The study eventually got folded into the Coral Reef Commons project after Ram and UM agreed to the land sale. In addition to the 158,000-square-foot box store, the project includes space for an LAFitness, a Chik-fil-A, a Chili's and about 900 apartments.

The deal is a profitable one for UM. Federal records show the school acquired the land for free: the government gave the university two parcels as "surplus" military land: a 105-acre section in 1981 and a second 30-acre parcel in 1997, records show.

In his letter this week, Aubrey said federal wildlife officers are concerned the project will damage critical habitat outside the preserved lands. One of the animals they are particularly concerned about is the Florida bonneted bat, which roosts in the crevices of large trees and has been found in the area.

"If there are large trees on site, which there are, there's potential for bats to be there," said Paula Halupa, a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service biologist. "I'd like to work with the developer to retain the trees and check for potential roosts before the trees are felled."

The federal agency also expects to add two rare butterflies, the Bartram's hairstreak and Florida leafwing, to the endangered species list this summer. Both need plants found in pine rocklands to live.

Equally important is managing the lands with seasonal burning, Aubrey said in his letter, which warned Ram that if it violated the Endangered Species Act by illegally killing species or harming habitat it could face "fines of up to \$200,000 and/or up to six months imprisonment per violation."

While the Ram project represents the largest remaining intact tract, environmentalists say there are other parcels remaining that need better protection than the county's endangered lands ordinance, which can only be enforced when development plans are submitted.

"There needs to be an overall habitat conservation plan for the pineland rather than having it bought up piece by piece because with this piece by piece (management) you end up with pieces," said attorney Dennis Olle, conservation director for Miami Blue, the local chapter of the North American Butterfly Association, and a board member at Tropical Audubon. "Maybe the

Endangered Species Act will force people to do the planning that should have been done all along.”

Read more here: <http://www.miamiherald.com/news/local/community/miami-dade/article1975937.html#storylink=cpy>

## **U.S. adding two South Florida butterflies to the endangered list**

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife announced Monday that along with the listing, it will designate critical land to protect the butterflies' habitat.

By Jenny Staletovich

08/11/2014 8:03 PM

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Federal officials announced Monday that the Bartram's hairstreak butterfly, pictured here, and the Florida leaf wing butterfly are being added to the endangered species list.

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- [Comments](#)

Two rare butterflies that have taken center stage in the fight over developing a rare forest in Miami-Dade County are being added to the endangered species list, federal wildlife managers announced Monday.

The listing of the Bartram's hairstreak and Florida leaf wing, which will become official Sept. 11, also designates thousands of acres of critical habitat. While most of that land sits in Everglades National Park and other national park territory, a large tract circles Zoo Miami and includes habitat where the county wants to build an Orlando-style amusement park and a Palm Beach County developer is in the early stages of erecting a Walmart-anchored shopping center and apartments.

The listing and habitat designation do not stop development, but they do mean the land will have to be carefully managed, federal officials said. Fires will have to be set regularly to keep the forest thinned out and mosquito-control procedures must be changed to protect the butterflies.

To avoid breaking the law, federal officials also say developers should obtain permits for construction.

“Anything that’s going to be done with these animals has to have our review,” said U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service biologist Mark Salvato. “We’re not to the finish line yet, but it would be pretty bad if someone knew this was going forward and rushed to mow down butterfly habitat.”

The Palm Beach County developer, Ram, said that since receiving a letter from wildlife officials July 15, it has been drafting a plan to survey the butterflies and come up with a plan to avoid affecting them adversely.

“Ram remains committed to species protection,” the developer’s statement said.

The endangered species designation process has been going on for more than a year, and is part of a 2011 settlement struck after the Center for Biological Diversity, a national nonprofit conservation organization, sued the wildlife agency to speed up the protection of threatened species. Florida is home to more rare butterflies than any other state. Their decline can be linked in part to their disappearing habitat.

The Bartram’s, with its white-tipped gray wings, and the bright orange leaf wing, live only on pine rockland, a forest that once stretched from Homestead north to the Miami River. Pine rockland is also home to the endangered Florida bonneted bat, another protected species. Today, just 2 percent of the forest remains, with most of it in Everglades National Park.

The largest tract outside the park sits near Zoo Miami on what was once the Richmond Naval Air Station. The land, designated as surplus after the base shut down in 1945, remained largely undeveloped as the federal government divvied it up over the years.

Part of the land went to the U.S. Coast Guard, the Department of Defense, Miami-Dade County and the University of Miami. The county built the zoo on some of the land, but in 2006 won voter approval to turn the remaining land into an amusement park with a water park, attractions, restaurants and hotel rooms. UM had planned to build an academic village.

But last month, Ram announced it had purchased the land from UM and and planned to build the shopping mall, drawing fierce criticism from environmentalists who long worried the county was not doing enough to protect the land. Opponents quickly started online petitions, which gathered more than 75,000 signatures. They also contacted federal officials urging them to hurry up the endangered-species listings.

Part of the worry stems from breaking up the habitat, said attorney Dennis Olle, the conservation director of the North American Butterfly Association and a board member for the Tropical Audubon Society.

“These are relatively sedentary butterflies, so it’s not like they need thousands of acres,” he said. “Obviously, Richmond was the keystone outside Everglades National Park. You might be able to build a Walmart next to a pineland. But remember you’ve got to maintain [the pineland] , which means you’ve got to burn it — so remember that when you build your houses and apartments.”

Read more here: <http://www.miamiherald.com/news/local/community/miami-dade/article1979421.html#storylink=cpy>

As a kid, Ed MacDougall remembers running rampantly through endless acres of pine rocklands, buzzing by blimp hangars and an abandoned naval air station.

Now the mayor of Cutler Bay, MacDougall is standing up for the land and its many natural inhabitants, proposing a resolution opposing [development of 88 acres](#) of the land located along Southwest 152nd Street and Southwest 127th Avenue.

“I brought it forward,” MacDougall said. “I grew up down here. This whole area was pine rockland. There is only two percent of that type of pineland left down in South Dade. It’s just a shame that the federal government gave this to the University of Miami and they’ve turned around and sold it.”

The resolution, which passed unanimously at the Aug. 20 Town Council meeting, could be just one of many put in front of other Miami-Dade County municipalities.

“I think it was a wonderful resolution,” councilwoman Peggy Bell said. “I recommend it and we all agreed that we should send it along to every city in Miami-Dade County to get them to join in, because it’s not in our city.”

The University of Miami sold the land, northwest of Cutler Bay in unincorporated Miami-Dade, to Ram Realty Services, a Palm Beach County developer, last month for \$22 million.

“It’s shameful for the University of Miami to have sold this,” MacDougall said. “I am absolutely shocked that they would do this. What they should do is cancel this contract, give the money back, and the university put it toward the use where it was intended for the people. To make a commercial gain out of this I believe is the wrong thing to do.”

Along with a Walmart, the developer is planning for an LA Fitness, Chick-fil-A and Chili’s restaurants, and 900 apartments. Ram agreed to keep 40 acres for a preserve.

“It is an important piece of property that we would hate to see cemented over and become a Walmart or any business instead of a natural piece of land that has been there for a long time,” Bell said.

On Aug. 11, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service announced two rare butterflies will be added to the endangered list while thousands of acres in Everglades National Park, and other land around Zoo Miami, including habitat within the Ram land, would be designated as critical habitat. But the listing and designation will not stop development.

“I think that they need to slow down,” MacDougall said. “They need to find out if there are endangered species, which they say there are. At the end of the day, we need to preserve some land that’s natural. We cannot just take everything and concrete over it.”

Read more here: <http://www.miamiherald.com/news/local/community/miami-dade/cutler-bay/article1982226.html#storylink=cpy>

## **Developer defends Walmart in rare forest**

By Jenny Staletovich

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An architect's rendering shows a Walmart proposed for an area near Zoo Miami containing endangered pine rocklands. Ram Realty Services.

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- [Comments](#)

The developer behind a controversial Walmart shopping center, facing angry neighbors and environmentalists for the first time in public, vowed to make the project a paragon for building on environmentally sensitive land.

Peter Cummings, chairman of Palm Beach County-based Ram Realty Services, said that four preserves planned for about a third of the 137-acre development near Zoo Miami on endangered pine rockland may even help scientists understand the disappearing habitat.

“We think we have an opportunity to create a standard for new knowledge for the balance of the Richmond pine rockland,” Cummings said late Thursday during an often heated meeting called by the Kendall Federation of Homeowners’ Associations.

Setting aside the preserves was required by Miami-Dade County, which strictly limits building in the forest that hosts a menagerie of rare animals and plants found no place else, including five species added to the federal endangered species list in the last year. The Walmart is slated for a corner of 2,200 acres around the zoo called the Richmond pine rockland, which makes up the largest remaining fragment of the rare forest outside Everglades National Park.

But environmentalists and residents argued that carving up the land will further damage the shrinking habitat and imperil wildlife, including endangered bats and butterflies that forage there. In addition to the Walmart, the Coral Reef Commons project includes an LA Fitness, a Chili’s, other restaurants and about 900 apartments. About 43 acres are split into four preserves on either side of the shopping center and apartment complex.

“If a butterfly has to cross a six-lane highway to get to another part of pine rockland, that is not good,” said Sandy Koi, an entomologist who lives in the area.

During the three-hour meeting, the developer was frequently interrupted as he defended the project. Cummings said afterward he hoped to show residents the project’s benefits, including jobs and increased tax revenue. He also took issue with it being called a strip mall.

“It’s a mixed-use development,” he said.

The audience, split among homeowners and environmentalists, found fault with nearly every aspect of the project, from traffic to Walmart’s effect on local business. Concern about environmental damage drew the harshest complaints.

“This is a treasure and we have it in our own backyard,” said Laura Reynolds, executive director of Tropical Audubon, one of the few groups that opposed plans by the University of Miami to develop the land a decade ago.

The land had been part of an old blimp station closed in the 1940s. In 1981 and 1997, after designating it surplus land, the federal government gave about 135 acres to the university. Over the years, UM used the land mostly for research but decided to build an academic village and had the land rezoned from agricultural use in 2004. When that fell through, UM began shopping around for developers and in 2011 submitted plans with Ram for the shopping center. Ram paid \$22million for the land but Cummings said the company has spent much more over the last three years developing it.

Federation president Michael Rosenberg said he also invited UM officials and County Commissioner Dennis Moss, whose district covers the area, but they declined.

Cummings told residents he was unaware of the endangered bats and butterflies possibly on the land when he struck the deal. He said an environmental survey — started after U.S. Fish and

Wildlife officials notified him in August that he was in danger of breaking the law without obtaining federal permits — is about two-thirds complete.

While endangered species do not stop development, their presence means the land must be carefully managed. And with pine rockland, that could be challenging. Fires must be set every three to seven years to replicate seasonal wildfires that once whipped across the Everglades and kept the tree canopy thin to allow the small endangered plants sprouting from the rocky forest floor, said Frank Ridgley, a wildlife veterinarian and head of conservation and research at Zoo Miami.

Only 2 percent of the forest — much of it in disconnected small pieces — remains and is severely threatened by urban sprawl, climate change, invasive species and pesticides, he said. It represents a rare collection of species in a single habitat found only in South Florida and a few places in the Bahamas and Cuba.

“It’s the most biologically diverse habitat in South Florida,” said Ridgley, who has spotted rare species like the Miami tiger beetle and rim rock crowned snake on neighboring county forest. “It’s a biodiversity hotspot.”

Read more here: <http://www.miamiherald.com/news/local/environment/article2092364.html#storylink=cpy>

## **Kendall Gazette, 12/29/2014:**

### **Residents continue protesting plans to develop rock pineland**

By Richard Yager



RAM developer Peter Cummings addresses KFHA meeting attendees.

Pros and cons of the controversial Coral Reef Commons project were aired for nearly three hours on Sept. 11, marked by three unusual occurrences for town meetings sponsored by the Kendall Federation of Homeowner Associations:

- Developer Peter Cummings appeared in person to answer questions and defend his project's viability as "planned to set a standard for future environmental planning."
- A panel of six specialists in preservation, officials and organizational representatives provided views ranging from protection of everything from Miami-Dade's pine rocklands to rare species of butterflies.
- Petition leader Leslye Jacobs led protests by a dozen nearby residents, including outspoken former television consumer reporter Al Sunshine, several saying they never received legal notice of the development.

Five zoning approvals have been held to permit 40 acres of the rock pineland tract to be developed, all properly notified to 1,615 residents in adjoining properties, countered attorney Juan Mayol speaking on behalf of Cummings who later took the microphone to describe environmental efforts planned to protect the balance of the remaining preserved areas.

While his views drew the respect, if not agreement from a predominantly opposition audience of more than 200, vocal opposition heightened due to objections to the location of a Walmart store to anchor the proposed shopping center.

Current approval also will permit 900 multi-family housing units on 137 acres of land off SW 152nd Street adjacent to Zoo Miami.

Both Walmart and the housing units are planned on property adjacent to preserve areas part of the original 80 acres that the University of Miami sold to RAM for \$21 million, according to Cummings. As originally approved for rezoning in 2012, development can provide for 347,830 square feet of retail space and a residential parcel with up to 1,008 units, a clubhouse, swimming pools and similar amenities with connectivity to the shopping area.

As added advantages, Cummings pointed out the project also dedicates 18,000 square feet for a Miami-Dade County library and a 0.4-acre for potential school use once conveyed to the Miami-Dade School Board. Current planning calls for 900 apartments with 43 acres of the original rockland divided into four preserves, a cause for concern by both residents and environmental spokespersons despite Cummings assurance that RAM intended to create and maintain standards especially designed to protect those areas.

"Of all pine rockland areas, this Richmond preserve had remained as the largest of the 2 percent acreage that still exists in Miami-Dade County," said Dr. Frank Ridgely, Associate Veterinarian with Zoo Miami, noting that all county preserves act as annual "re-fueling stops" for migratory birds, as well as preservation of rare tropical plants and species.

“I’m here to protect the butterflies,” declared Sandy Koi, a biological scientist with the Tropical Research and Education Center of the University of Florida. “Here is an already-imperiled land housing endangered species. Two are butterfly types that have only recently been discovered living only in this habitat.”

Laura Reynolds, executive director of the Miami-Dade Tropical Audubon Society, urged Cummings to reconsider use of the rockland, saying that her organization had long sought the University of Miami’s cooperation to abandon sale of the tract that would “only provide another development that continues to reduce the last areas for native habitats of endangered species.”

Equally impassioned, homeowner Gerry Vizran described the adverse economic impact of the national chain in other areas, asking that residents continue to voice objections to the location of a new Walmart store.

Sunshine and a representative of the Deerwood Homeowners Coalition Board, representing the community on the north side of S W 152nd Street, were adamant in declaring they had never received legal notice of public hearings that began in 2004 to change the property’s land use and zoning designations.

Matt Schwartz of South Florida Wildlands Association noted that South Florida, with a projected population of 30 million by 2060, would become a “nightmare” if existing land is not protected by local government agencies.

At the close of the session, Jacobs and Reynolds continued gathering signatures of objectors, estimated by them to total nearly 90,000 in three separate petition drives, two by resident groups accumulating over 80,000 signers.

Reynolds’ 10,000-signature goal petition is headed “Save the Endangered Forest Lands Sold to Walmart in South Florida,” listed on the nationwide “Moveon. org” website with a notation for delivery to Florida legislators and Gov. Rick Scott.

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To be clear, I got an initial notice for an "Academic Village" by U of Miami and never a Walmart Strip Mall. None of my neighbors say they got any notices either. And even though UM is an internationally respected research institution with a million dollar Abess Environmental Center, both the

Developer and Commissioner Dennis Moss insist they never never told about the rare/endangered plants and animals there even though there was a Federal Register Notice detailing it all back in July of 2013 and advising it was coming under Federal Status this year. Who knew what when, and was the land intentionally rezoned and sold for a High Density Development without full disclosures? What a disgrace. I've said for months, this whole deal and how it was handled needs to go to the Dade Grand Jury.

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Correction, please: I said here in this already endangered pine rocklands are two newly listed federally endangered butterflies. We have known that these butterflies live in this tract of land for many years. Note that I also stated before I spoke that I was commenting as a private citizen and scientist, not as a representative of UF. Thanks for publishing information about this issue.

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## **Miami-Dade wants land including rare forest declared blighted**

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This Bartram's hairstreak is one of two pine rockland butterflies that were added to the Endangered Species List in September, which also protects their pineland habitat.

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To wildlife managers, the pine rockland surrounding Zoo Miami represents what could be a last stand for the embattled forest, the biggest swath found outside the protected confines of Everglades National Park and a rare tract that has withstood the decades-long onslaught of development in South Florida.

But to a Miami-Dade County consultant, the land is a slum.

The finding, part of an updated look at the area, is the first step in establishing a special taxing district the county needs to help generate \$130 million requested by a team of developers, including 20th Century Fox and Sony Music, who want to build a \$930 million amusement park in the area. The consultant's report is also fueling growing criticism from environmentalists and some neighbors, who oppose the park and plans for a neighboring shopping center. They plan to [rally](#) to save the property Jan. 17 near the zoo.

“We don't think you can have proper management of this area with development,” said Tropical Audubon executive director Laura Reynolds. “You can't burn pine rockland [to keep the habitat healthy] with a theme park on it.”

## Related

- Endangered pine rockland
- Zoo Miami's boundary



Once the home of a U.S. Navy blimp base, land around Zoo Miami now holds the largest remaining tract of endangered pine rockland outside Everglades National Park. Over the years, the government gave away or sold much of the land, but most remained largely undeveloped. County officials now want to expand the zoo to build an amusement park. A Walmart-anchored shopping center has also been approved nearby. Environmentalists worry the two projects will damage the sensitive habitat.

## **Dinosaurs, theme park vie for land around Zoo Miami**

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## **Miami-Dade County warns Walmart developer to protect forest**

## **Feds: Shopping center in rare Miami-Dade forest likely to kill endangered species**

County Commissioner Dennis Moss, who has long pushed for the Miami Wilds theme park to be built in his district, argued that environmental concerns need to be balanced with other needs.

“I’m not saying go in and destroy pine rocklands,” he said. “We have an opportunity to create an economic engine and jobs for the community and that’s significant.”

The consultant concluded that poorly planned parking at the county-owned zoo, increasingly congested roads, odd-shaped parcels, multiple government owners and even restrictions tied to the endangered forest have fueled the “spread of slum” and crippled development.

County commissioners will consider declaring the area blighted at a January public hearing.

Such districts are a common strategy to help crumbling neighborhoods with failing businesses. South Beach got an early boost with a neighborhood redevelopment district. Fort Lauderdale and Delray Beach both revamped aging commercial strips with districts.

But to work, the district must encourage the very thing environmentalists say will kill the forest: development. The districts rely on pumping up property values with new development to

generate taxes. They are typically urban, which has some wondering why the pineland needs one.

“To call these pine rocklands slums and blighted areas seems absolutely absurd,” said Roger L. Hammer, a leading authority on South Florida wildflowers who helped oversee the restoration of more than 100 acres of nearby pineland when he worked as a county naturalist. “Sure, they look blighted and overgrown, but that’s only because nobody managed them.”

The plan has also caught the notice of federal officials who wrote to Mayor Carlos Gimenez earlier this month to warn that the Miami Wilds project, which includes neighboring land owned by the U.S. Coast Guard, would harm protected species and require a lengthy review from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

The county is now in talks with the 20th Century Fox team that also includes Madrid-based Parques Reunidos for Miami Wilds, which would include a 70-acre amusement park, a 400-room hotel, nearly a half-million square feet of retail development and a 35,000-square-foot theater.

The redevelopment district, Moss said, has been part of the park plans for years and never caused concern until the University of Miami sold land to a Palm Beach County developer for \$22 million for Coral Reef Commons, a Walmart-anchored shopping center and apartments.

“When Disney was looking to build Disney World, they came to Miami and we told Disney to take a hike and they took a hike to Central Florida. You see the economic impact they had on Central Florida. We have a chance to do that with 20th Century Fox in our community,” he said. “Nobody raised a concern for years until we had this issue with the UM project.”

UM’s deal triggered bitter complaints from environmentalists, neighbors and even alumni because the federal government had given the school the land decades earlier. Rather than sell it for a shopping center, critics said, the school should have better protected the land.

Over the years, development plans for the zoo always included land preservation alongside any additional attractions, going back to its original 1975 application. But earlier proposals were more modest: one included a Lipizzan stallion exhibit. Bringing the area under one management plan has also been complicated by multiple owners, mostly various federal agencies, and UM.

The county began buying pieces after voters approved a two-year bump in taxes in 1990 that raised \$90 million. But the county had to compete with others for the land, including various federal agencies and UM.

In 1997, the former head of Tropical Audubon argued the government wasn’t doing enough to protect the land. The county’s Environmentally Endangered Lands program chief said in 2005 that “further fragmentation” was making it impossible for the county to manage the tract.

The county now manages about 480 acres of the tract through its Environmentally Endangered Lands program. But even with a 2008 pledge to protect the rockland, environmentalists are

concerned because a new four-lane entrance from Southwest 117th Avenue for the park would have to cross the land.

“They have an old plan. It needs to be updated. But do they have staff to do that?” Reynolds said.

Managing the land has been tricky and is complicated by the need to regularly burn it to keep the canopy thin. Rock pineland once grew over much of the 55-mile long rock ridge that stretches between Homestead and central Miami. It has since shrunk to just 2 percent of its original size, squeezing into its remaining boundaries a host of rare plants and animals that live nowhere else.

If the projects advance, at least one tenant in the area says the county needs to strike a balance.

“I’m a historic preservationist. I’m all for pine rocklands,” said Anthony Atwood, who is leading an effort to open the Miami Military Museum and Veterans Memorial on land nearby. “There’s a middle ground and, frankly, we’re a tourism community. And there’s nothing wrong with ecotourism.”

Read more here: <http://www.miamiherald.com/news/local/community/miami-dade/article4696344.html#storylink=cpy>

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Thanks!



# **Village of Biscayne Park Commission Agenda Report**

**Village Commission Meeting Date:** January 6, 2015

**Subject:** Discussion of park use  
by non-residents

**Prepared By:** Mayor David Coviello

**Sponsored By:** Commission

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## **Background**

A discussion by the Village Commission on the use of the Ed Burke Recreation Center / Park by non-residents.

## **Attachments:**

- Summary of the Ed Burke Recreation Center building and park upgrades



## *The Village of Biscayne Park*

640 NE 114<sup>th</sup> St., Biscayne Park, FL 33161  
Telephone: 305-899-8000 Facsimile: 305 891 7241

Date: December 30, 2014

To: Mayor David Coviello  
Village Manager Heidi Shafran

From: Maria Camara, Village Clerk

**Re: Summary of additions, improvements and repairs to the Ed Burke  
Recreation Center**

Going through records in storage, specifically resolutions, newspaper articles, requests for proposals, and budget documents, I was able to summarize the history of the Ed Burke Recreation Center and any additions, improvements, upgrades and repairs that were done through the years (next page).

Costs and funding sources are provided if available. Additional research would have to be done to determine if the funding source (grants or obligation bonds) included a requirement of opening the facility for public use.

Attachments for the summary are provided as follows:

- Attachment 1: Miami Herald article, January 10, 1993
- Attachment 2: Miami Dade County Property Appraiser – Extra Features
- Attachment 3: Resolution No. 265, April 1, 1975
- Attachment 4: Resolution No. 272, August 5, 1975
- Attachment 5: Miami Herald Article, February 1982
- Attachment 6: Miami Herald article, February 13, 1994
- Attachment 7: Miami Herald article, February 23, 1995
- Attachment 8: Resolution 2007-12, June 5, 2007
- Attachment 9: Resolution 2009-12, July 7, 2009
- Attachment 10: Resolution 2010-13 – June 8, 2010

**Summary of additions, improvements and repairs**

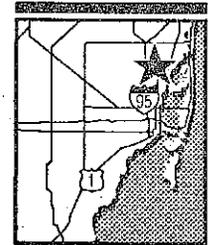
<i>Attach</i>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>Funding Requires Public Use?</b>
1	Early 1940's	5 acres designated as a recreation area for residents			
	Late 1940's	Baseball field and shuffleboard courts developed by the Biscayne Park Recreation Association (volunteer residents)			
5	1952	Recreation building			
2	1954	Pump house, paving, aluminum carport (breezeway)			
		Playground			
3	April 1975	Handball and Tennis Practice Court	\$ 4,820		
4	August 1975	<i>Resolution 272 passed Aug. 5, 1975 - Approving the rules and regulations applying to the use of the Village Recreation Center</i>	<i>Section 2 states: "The use of the facilities shall be restricted to residents of the Village, provided that when conditions permit and the facilities are not overcrowded, the Recreation Department may permit guests of residents to participate in the use of the playground."</i>		
5	November 1982	Building renovation (replacement of restrooms and kitchen renovation)	\$ 22,000	Village budget allocation	
	1982	Building renovation (storage area addition)	\$ 17,000	Financing	
6	February 1994	Tot Lot	\$ 10,000	Village budget allocation	
7	February 1995	Building renovation (central A/C installed, roof repair, wall panels and restroom ADA upgrades, eliminate breezeway and replace with gameroom and office area)	\$ 88,700	U.S. Dept. of Housing & Urban Development (\$65,700); Village emergency fund (\$23,000)	
8	June 2007	Pavillion	\$ 50,000	Miami Dade County Safe Neighborhoods Parks Bond	
9	July 2009	Recreation Center Improvements	\$ 110,000	Miami Dade County Safe Neighborhoods Parks Bond	
		- Rehab concession area	\$ 13,000		
		- Tot lot shade structure	\$ 50,000		
		- Tree replacement	\$ 15,000		
		- ADA sidewalk	\$ 2,000		
		- Repair of roof	\$ 30,000		
10	June 2010	Hardening Project	\$ 60,000	State of Florida Division of Emergency Management	

*Attach - Attachment number.*

# Rec center an all-day affair

By GRACE LIM  
Herald Staff Writer

From morning till dusk, the Ed Burke Recreation Center is a hub of activity in Biscayne Park.



**SPOTLIGHT**  
BISCAYNE PARK

Toddlers play in the tot-lot playground. Older kids play pickup games on the basketball court or do homework in the

recreation building, 11400 NE Ninth Ct. Adults stretch their imagination and muscles through art and fitness classes.

"It's a place where young and old could meet," said Ed Burke, former longtime mayor of Biscayne Park and the park's namesake. "The young can learn from the old, and the old can learn from the young."

About 50 years ago, what is now the Ed Burke Recreation Center was a vacant, 10-acre lot. The village, solely a residential community of about 3,000 people, sold five acres to developers and designated the remaining five for a recreation area for residents. The boundaries are Northeast 115th to 113th streets and Ninth Avenue to Ninth Court.

"We were so happy when the village developed a park because it took the kids off the streets," said Berniece McWherter, who has lived in



TIM CHAPMAN / Miami Herald Staff

**A REAL WORKOUT:** Mitzie Tucker, left, and Charlotte Peterson pursue their low-impact aerobics program at Ed Burke Recre-

ation Center. Tucker and a group of about 10 Biscayne Park residents exercise for an hour on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

A group of volunteers called the Biscayne Park Recreation Association developed a baseball field and shuffleboard courts, which have since been replaced by the playground.

Burke, who now lives in Stuart after 44 years in the village, remembers neighborhood fish fries and outdoor movies at the park. "We'd set up a screen and everyone would gather around," he said.

Residents still gather at the Ed Burke Recreation Center,

## FOR DETAILS

For more information about programs at the Ed Burke Recreation Center in Biscayne Park, call Elisa Tankersley, director of recreation, at 893-3711, 2 to 6 p.m. weekdays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays.

clubs or informally for a friendly game of racquetball.

ation department throws major bashes for residents. Last month, more than 300 residents greeted Santa Claus, who dropped by the recreation building to hand out goodies.

Twice a week, resident Mitzie Tucker can be found leading a group of women in low-impact aerobics at the recreation building.

Tucker and a core group of about 10 Biscayne Park residents exercise for an hour on Tuesdays and Thursdays. "We

said.

North Miami Adult Education offers two art classes at the recreation building. Zsu Zsa teaches drawing and painting and Lorne Salzer teaches her students to transform plain T-shirts into works of art.

Martial arts classes are offered at the recreation center. Judo and aikido classes are led by Biscayne Park police Sgt. Ron Gotlin, his wife, Susan, and son, Greg.



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## Roll Year 2013 Land, Building and Extra-Feature Details

Land Information					
Land Use	Muni Zone	PA Zone	Unit Type	Units	Calc Value
GENERAL	1-R1	0100	Square Ft.	187,308.00	\$2,154,042

Building Information						
Building Number	Sub Area	Year Built	Actual Sq.Ft.	Living Sq.Ft.	Adj Sq.Ft.	Calc Value
1	1	1954			1,899	\$57,027
1	2	1973			1,452	\$49,946

Extra Features			
Description	Year Built	Units	Calc Value
Cent A/C - Comm (Aprox 300 sqft/Ton)	2010	4	\$5,940
Cent A/C - Comm (Aprox 300 sqft/Ton)	1995	8	\$10,080
Chain-link Fence 4-5 ft high	1991	30	\$192
Paving - Concrete	1975	1,554	\$3,481
Wall - CBS unreinforced	1975	1,128	\$2,888
Carport - Aluminum - With Floor	1954	600	\$2,475
Chain-link Fence 4-5 ft high	1954	340	\$1,496
Paving - Asphalt	1954	3,440	\$2,838
Paving - Concrete	1954	1,590	\$3,061
Pump House - Metal	1954	40	\$363

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CONSTRUCTION OF HANDBALL AND TENNIS PRACTICE COURT

WHEREAS, the Village Commission on March 4th, 1975 received sealed bids for furnishing all labor and materials for the construction of a handball-tennis practice court; and

WHEREAS, at the regular Commission meeting held March 4th, 1975 all bids were publicly opened and read aloud; and

WHEREAS, the base bid as per the plans in the amount of \$4,820.00 submitted by Concrete Placing Company was the low bid;

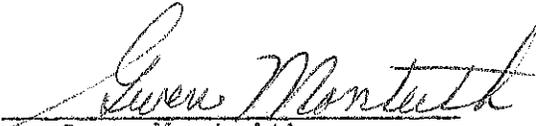
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA:

1. That the Village Commission accepts the bid of Concrete Placing Company.
2. That the Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into a contract for the construction of the handball-tennis practice court at the Recreation Center.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, this 1st day of April, 1975.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Edward J. Barke  
Mayor

ATTEST:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Gwen Monteith  
Village Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 272

A RESOLUTION APPROVING RULES AND REGULATIONS  
APPLYING TO USE OF THE VILLAGE RECREATION CENTER

In order that public property may be protected, and the maximum in recreation may be enjoyed by all our citizens, without discomfit or annoyance to others, the Commission finds it necessary to establish rules and regulations to be followed by all.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK:

1. The use of Recreation buildings and playground area shall be under the supervision and direction of the Village Commissioner of Recreation and his department head.

2. Use of the facilities shall be restricted to residents of the Village, provided that when conditions permit and the facilities are not overcrowded, the Recreation Department may permit guests of residents to participate in the use of the playground.

3. When organized teams of the Village are invited to other places for games, the Recreation Department in turn may invite the host team to come to the playground for a return engagement.

4. When a request is made the Commissioner of Recreation and the Commissioner in charge of Public Buildings (Public Works) shall confer and may grant use of the Recreation facilities to other organizations for certain functions. If the Commissioners do not agree, the Village Commission as a whole shall make the decision.

5. The following activities within the Recreation Center are prohibited:

- a. The driving, riding or parking of vehicles on the Recreation area grounds or patio except for those used in the maintenance or servicing the facilities.
- b. The driving or hitting of golf balls.
- c. Littering, throwing of trash, bottles, cans and other debris.
- d. Climbing on fences, backstops and buildings and the breaking of tree limbs.
- e. The possession or use of air rifles, sling shots, knives or any other type of dangerous weapon.
- f. The possession or use of any alcoholic beverages or drugs.

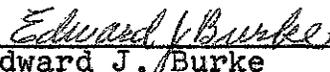
6. No intoxicated persons will be permitted entry and if discovered therein will be ejected forthwith.

7. No person shall be on the playground area and use it for any purpose after sundown and before 7 A.M. except for special events approved by the Commissioners, and then participants shall confine themselves to the area of the event. Special events shall end and all participants shall leave the area not later than 11:00 P.M.

8. Anyone conducting himself or herself in a disorderly manner or disregarding any of these rules and regulations may be ejected from the playground area by the supervisor of Recreation or the Police Department and refused re-entry for such a period of time as may be determined by the Supervisor or the Commissioner in charge.

9. It shall be the duty and responsibility of the Police Department to cooperate with those in charge of the Recreation area to enforce these rules and regulations.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 5th day of August, 1975.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Edward J. Burke  
Mayor

ATTEST:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Jeanette Horton  
Village Clerk

# Biscayne Park gears up for renovation project

By KEITH L. THOMAS  
Herald Staff Writer

The Biscayne Park Village Commission voted unanimously to start accepting bids Jan. 15 for renovating the 30-year-old recreation building at 11400 NE Ninth Ct.

The commissioners said Tuesday they would meet this week with architects to review the renovation plans and make minor changes. The commission will accept no bids after Feb. 15.

Mayor Ed Burke said renovation of the building will cost an estimated \$39,000.

Burke said the work and bidding will be done in phases.

The first phase calls for replacing restrooms at the building and renovating the kitchen. This work, including wiring and plumbing, will cost about \$22,000, the mayor said.

"The men's and women's restrooms were built in 1952 by residents," Burke said.

Burke said the money for the first phase was included in the village's \$731,961 budget for 1982-83.

The second phase calls for adding a 16-by-40-foot storage area at a cost of \$17,000.

The mayor said the commission would meet with recreation officials and discuss ways to finance the second phase.

Commissioner Rollin Johnson said his main concern was that the renovation be completed by the village's 50th anniversary celebration June 15.

"I just hope we're giving ourselves enough time," Johnson said.

Burke said he expects the remodeling work to start in March and be completed by June 1.

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# Biscayne Park to offer lots more at its tot lot

By **LESLIE CASIMIR**  
Herald Staff Writer

Biscayne Park commissioners courting their youngest constituents gained followers this week as they voted to provide them with a new toddler playground loaded with games.

At a special meeting Wednesday night, commissioners decided where to place four new slides, a tic-tac-toe board, a steering wheel, three benches and other renovated equipment at the Ed Burke Recreation Center, 11400 NE Ninth Ct.

"There are more younger families moving in and the existing tot lot doesn't have much to offer the younger children," said Commissioner Kitty Childress, who has a 2-year-old son. "But with this new equipment, I think we will draw the young families to the center and then they will get more involved in the commu-

nity."

Commissioners said they wanted to rebuild the lot last year, but money and energy had to go to more pressing issues, such as replacing traffic signs and clearing hurricane-felled trees.

During the November 1993 budget hearing, the village commission allocated \$10,000 to renovate and add on to the lot, which is more than 15 years old. It will be moved away from the basketball court and into a quieter area in the center of the park.

The commissioners also decided to buy the playground equipment from the Miracle Recreation Equipment Company of Maitland. The items will cost the village about \$5,000, and the installation will cost an additional \$5,000, said Elisa Tankersley, Biscayne Park's recreation director.

# Rec center to shine in Biscayne Park

## Old building gets new look, repairs

By **LESLIE CASIMIR**  
Herald Staff Writer

Biscayne Park's Ed Burke Recreation Center is getting a welcomed face-lift.

For a month now, hammers have been banging and saws buzzing in the village's only park at 11400 NE Ninth Ct., as workers upgrade the half-century-old building.

A central air conditioning system is being installed. Workers also are replacing the center's leaky roof and old wall panels and washrooms are being upgraded to accommodate wheelchairs.

Renovations should be completed in about two months, said Peter Lester of E.W. Reed, the construction company contracted to do the renovations.

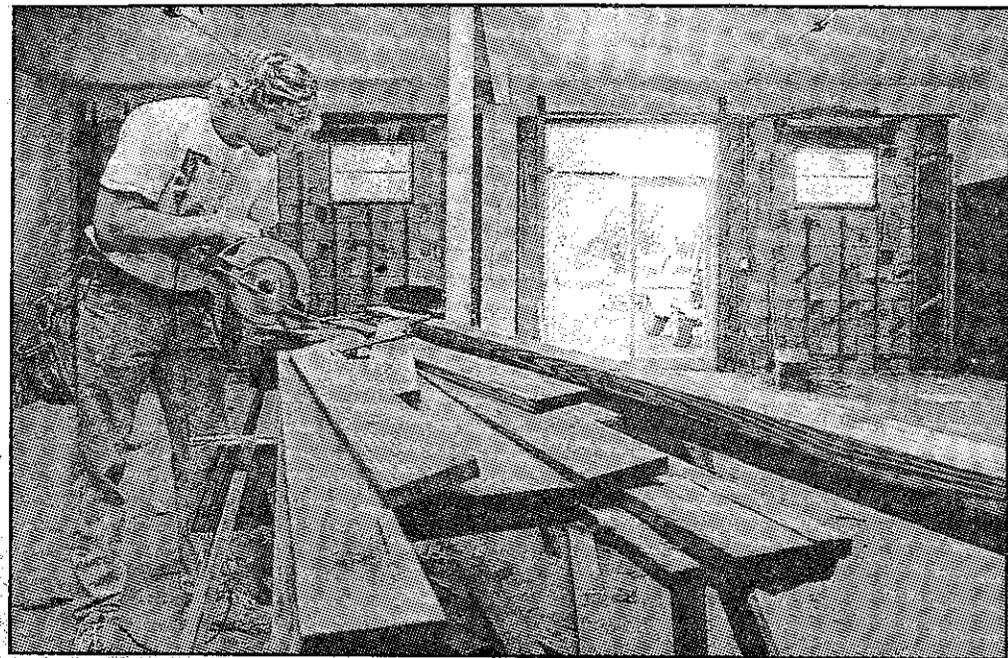
Hung Pham, the recreation department's director of athletics, says the construction

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For information on class times and other Biscayne Park recreational activities, call Hung Pham at 893-3711 between 1 and 6 p.m. weekdays.

comes at an opportune time. The breezeway — which attracted troublemakers — has been eliminated and replaced by a game room and an office.

"Before, our office was in the storage room," Pham said. "Now the storage room will only be the storage room."

The renovation is costing \$88,700, most of it from a special purpose grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. About \$23,000 is coming from a village emergency fund.



RANDY BAZEMORE / Herald Staff

**BUZZ OF PROGRESS:** Peter Lester of the E.W. Reed construction company takes a turn at the saw at Biscayne Park's Ed Burke Recreation Center.

The only inconvenience so far: the center's art classes have been canceled and judo and aikido classes have been moved to Village Hall, 640 NE 114th St.

The construction does not affect basketball or roller hockey games at the park, however.

"It's business as usual, everything else is normal," Pham said.

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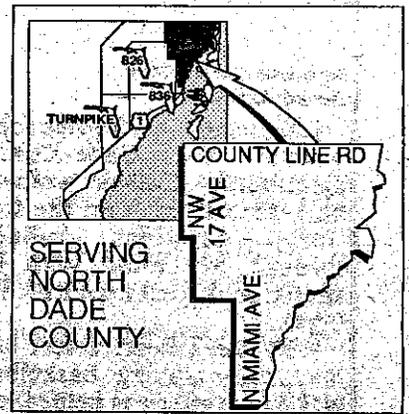
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**RESOLUTION #2007-12**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND VILLAGE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS TO MAKE APPLICATION FOR A GRANT FROM THE SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS BOND PROGRAM; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

WHEREAS, the citizens of Miami-Dade County have authorized the issuance of general obligation bonds (the "Bonds") for the purpose of financing capital improvement programs for certain parks, beaches, natural areas and recreation facilities; and

WHEREAS, to implement and give effect to the bond program, Miami-Dade County, Florida enacted Ordinance No. 96-115, the Safe Neighborhood Parks Ordinance (the "Ordinance"); and

WHEREAS, it is necessary and desirable to improve the quality of life, to benefit property values, to promote prevention of juvenile crime by providing positive recreation opportunities, and to improve the recreation facilities for youth, adult, and senior citizens in this community through the improvement of our parks and natural areas; and

WHEREAS, in order to foster those important values, the projects more specifically listed below have been identified for reimbursement pursuant to the terms of the Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the terms of the Ordinance, the passage of this Resolution and the acts contemplated by this Resolution are conditions to obtaining a grant; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Biscayne Park wishes to make application for the grant monies for the projects listed below subject to all terms and conditions of the Ordinance;

**NOW THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.** The foregoing "WHEREAS" clauses are hereby ratified as true and correct and incorporated herein by this reference.

**Section 2.** The Village Commission of the Village of Biscayne Park hereby authorizes the appropriate City officials to make application for a grant for the projects and in the amount listed below, and in connection with such application to execute such grant agreement and other contracts and documents, to expend Safe Neighborhood Parks bond funds received for the purposes described in the funding request, to execute any necessary amendments to the grant application and contracts, and take such other acts as may be necessary to bind the Village of Biscayne Park and accomplish the intent of this Resolution. Application shall be made with respect to each of the following projects (the "Projects") in the amounts set forth below:

<b><u>Grant Title</u></b>	<b><u>Total Grant</u></b>
Recreation Pavilion	\$ 50,000

**Section 3.** The Village of Biscayne Park shall complete each of the Projects in accordance with the terms of the grant agreement, the Ordinance, and the administrative rules authorized by the Citizens' Oversight Committee (the "Committee") to implement the Ordinance. If the total cost of a Project exceeds the value allocated in the grant, then the Village of Biscayne Park will provide any supplemental funds required to complete the Project. In the event that supplemental funds are necessary for the completion of the Project, as of the point in time that it is known that supplemental funds are needed, the Village of Biscayne Park will demonstrate that such supplemental funds have been committed to the Project prior to and as a condition of disbursement or further disbursement of grant funds. The requirement for the Village of

Biscayne Park to provide any supplemental funds required to complete the Project may, at the sole discretion of the Committee, be modified in whole or in part by a reduction in scope of work consistent with the Ordinance.

**Section 4.** The Village of Biscayne Park recognizes and directs that any beach, park, or other public facility acquired, developed, rehabilitated or restored with bond funds, including the Projects, shall be open and accessible to the public without discrimination as to race, color, gender, age, religion, belief, residence, natural origin, marital status or disability.

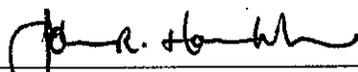
**Section 5.** To the extent allowed by law, the Village of Biscayne Park shall commit any and all funds which may be required to operate, maintain and provide programming at each park project upon its completion.

**Section 6.** No substitution in capital project funding by the Village of Biscayne Park shall occur as a result of the grant for which the Village is applying.

**Section 7.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 5th day of June, 2007.

**The foregoing resolution upon being Put to a vote, the vote was as follows:**

  
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John Hornbuckle, Mayor

Mayor Hornbuckle yes  
Vice Mayor Walker yes  
Commissioner Andersen yes  
Commission Mallette yes  
Commissioner Morris yes

**Attest:**

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Ann Harper, Village Clerk

Approved as to form:

  
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John J. Hearn, Village Attorney

**RESOLUTION NO. 2009-12**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR GRANT FROM THE SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS BOND PROGRAM; AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE CLERK TO TRANSMIT THIS RESOLUTION TO THE APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

WHEREAS, the citizens of Miami Dade County have authorized the issuance of general obligation bonds (the "Bonds") for the purpose of financing capital improvement programs for certain parks, beaches, natural areas and recreation facilities; and

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WHEREAS, it is necessary and desirable to improve the quality of life, to benefit property values, to promote prevention of juvenile crime by providing positive recreation opportunities, and to improve the recreation facilities for youth, adult, and senior citizens in this community through the improvement of our parks and natural areas; and

WHEREAS, in order to foster those important values, the project more specifically listed below has been identified for reimbursement pursuant to the terms of the Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the terms of the Ordinance, the passage of this Resolution and the acts contemplated by this Resolution are conditions to obtaining a grant; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Biscayne Park wishes to make application for the grant monies for the project listed below subject to all terms and conditions of the ordinance;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA, THAT:**

**Section 1.** The foregoing "Whereas" clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and hereby made a specific part of this Resolution upon adoption hereof.

**Section 2.** The Village of Biscayne Park hereby authorizes the Village Manager to make application for a grant for the project and in the amount listed below, and in connection with such application to execute such grant agreement and other contracts and documents, to expend Safe Neighborhood Parks bond funds received for the purposes described in the funding request, to

execute any necessary amendments to the grant application and contracts, and take such other acts as may be necessary to bind the Village of Biscayne Park and accomplish the intent of this Resolution. Application shall be made with respect to each of the following project (n the amount set forth below:

<u>Grant Title</u>	<u>Total Grant</u>
<u>VILLAGE RECREATION CENTER &amp; PARK IMPROVEMENTS</u>	
1. Rehab Recreation Dept. Restrooms & Concession area	\$13,000.00
2. Shade Structure over Tot Lot Playground	\$50,000.00
3. Replace 6 large shade trees destroyed by Hurricane Wilma @\$2,500/ea	\$15,000.00
4. ADA Sidewalk to link new Pavilion to Recreation Center	\$ 2,000.00
5. Replace leaking Recreation Center Roof	\$30,000.00

**Section 3.** The Village of Biscayne Park shall complete the project in accordance with the terms of the grant agreement, the Ordinance, and the administrative rules authorized by the Citizens' Oversight Committee (the "Committee") to implement the Ordinance. If the total cost of the project exceeds the value allocated in the grant, then the Village of Biscayne Park will provide any supplemental funds required to complete the project. In the event that supplemental funds are necessary for the completion of the project, as of the point in time that it is known that supplemental funds are needed, the Village of Biscayne Park will demonstrate that such supplemental funds have been committed to the project prior to and as a condition of disbursement or further disbursement of grant funds. The requirement for the Village of Biscayne Park to provide any supplemental funds required to complete the project may, at the sole discretion of the Committee, be modified in whole or in part by a reduction in scope of work consistent with the Ordinance.

**Section 4.** The Village of Biscayne Park recognizes and directs that any beach, park, or other public facility acquired, developed, rehabilitated, or restored with bond funds, including the project, shall be open and accessible to the public without discrimination as to race, color, gender, age, religion, belief, residence, natural origin, marital status or disability.

**Section 5.** To the extent allowed by law, the Village of Biscayne Park shall commit any and all funds which may be required to operate, maintain, and provide programming at the park project upon its completion.

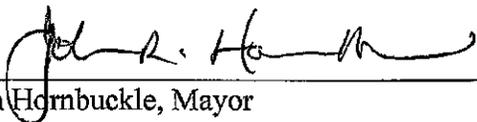
**Section 6.** No substitution in capital project funding by the Village of Biscayne Park shall occur as a result of the grant for which the Village is applying.

**Section 7.** The Village Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to transmit this Resolution to the appropriate officials.

**Section 8.** This Resolution shall become effective upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this \_\_\_7th\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_July\_\_\_, 2009.

**The foregoing Resolution upon being Put to a vote, the vote was as follows:**

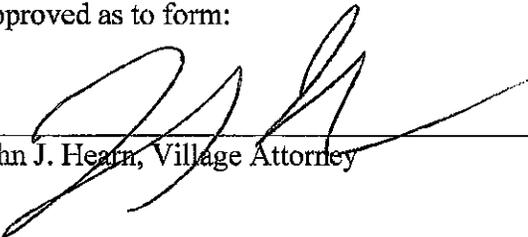
  
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John Hornbuckle, Mayor

Mayor Hornbuckle \_\_\_yes\_\_\_  
Vice Mayor Anderson \_\_\_yes\_\_\_  
Commissioner Bernard \_\_\_yes\_\_\_  
Commission Mallette \_\_\_yes\_\_\_  
Commissioner Morris \_\_\_yes\_\_\_

Attest:

  
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Ann Harper, Village Clerk

Approved as to form:

  
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John J. Hearn, Village Attorney

**RESOLUTION 2009-12**

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**Fill in Grant Title and Total Grant**

<b><u>GRANT TITLE</u></b>	<b><u>TOTAL GRANT</u></b>
<b>VILLAGE RECREATION CENTER &amp; PARK IMPROVEMENTS</b>	
<b>(In Priority Order)</b>	
<b>A. Rehab Restrooms &amp; Concession area.</b>	<b>\$13,000.00</b>
<b>B. Shade Structure over Tot Lot Playground</b>	<b>\$50,000.00</b>
<b>C. Large Shade Trees; 6 @ \$2,500 each.</b>	<b>\$15,000.00</b>
<b>(To replace shade trees destroyed by Hurricane Wilma)</b>	
<b>D. ADA Sidewalk to link new Pavilion to public areas</b>	<b>\$ 2,000.00</b>
<b>E. Replace leaking Recreation Center Roof</b>	<b><u>\$30,000.00</u></b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$110,000.00</b>

**RESOLUTION NO. 2010-13**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATE VILLAGE OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT FOR THE RECREATION CENTER HARDENING PROJECT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE AND BEJAR CONSTRUCTION. INC.; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

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WHEREAS, the Village of Biscayne Park entered into an agreement with the State of Florida, Division of Emergency Management on December 15, 2009, to receive a state funded sub-grant in the amount of \$60,000 for the hardening of the existing Ed Burke Recreation Center facility; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Biscayne Park entered into an agreement with the Safe Neighborhood Parks Bond Program on December 1, 2009, to receive a matching grant in the amount of \$55,000 for interior renovations of the existing Ed Burke Recreation Center facility; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Biscayne Park issued a Request for Bids for Phase II Alterations and Phase II Miscellaneous Repairs to the Ed Burke Recreation Center on March 1, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the Village received a total of seven (7) proposals; and

WHEREAS, negotiations pertaining to the services to be performed were undertaken in accordance with the Consultant Competitive Negotiation Act (CCNA), Section 287.055, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends that the contract be awarded to Bejar Construction, Inc.; and

1 WHEREAS, the Commission has found it to be in the best interests of the residents of the  
2 Village to have Bejar Construction, Inc., perform the Phase II Alterations and Phase II  
3 Miscellaneous Repairs to the Ed Burke Recreation Center;

4 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISISON OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE**  
5 **PARK, FLORIDA, THAT:**

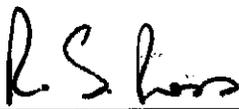
6 **Section 1.** The foregoing "Whereas" clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being  
7 true and correct and hereby made a specific part of this Resolution upon adoption hereof.

8 **Section 2.** The appropriate Village officials are hereby authorized to execute the  
9 Agreement for Phase II Alterations and Phase II Miscellaneous Repairs of the Ed Burke  
10 Recreation Center between the Village and Bejar Construction, Inc., attached hereto and  
11 incorporated herein as Exhibit "1."

12 **Section 3.** This Resolution shall become effective upon adoption.  
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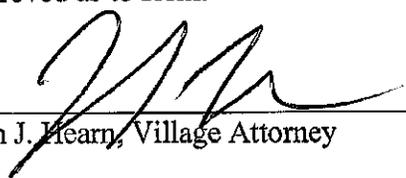
14 PASSED AND ADOPTED this 8th day of June, 2010.

**The foregoing resolution upon being  
Put to a vote, the vote was as follows:**

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19 Roxanna Ross, Mayor

Mayor Ross: Yes  
Vice Mayor Cooper: Yes  
Commissioner Anderson: Yes  
Commission Bernard: Yes  
Commissioner Childress: Yes

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25 Maria Camara, Village Clerk

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28 Approved as to form:  
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32 John J. Hearn, Village Attorney



## **Village of Biscayne Park Commission Agenda Report**

**Village Commission Meeting Date:** January 6, 2015

**Subject:** Discussion of public art fund

**Prepared By:** Vice Mayor Fred Jonas

**Sponsored By:** Commission

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### **Background**

In the established interest of public art in Biscayne Park, a discussion to tax homeowners \$8 per year per home to create a pool of money to be used to acquire public art for the Village.

### **Recommendation:**

Discussion.



## **Village of Biscayne Park Commission Agenda Report**

**Village Commission Meeting Date:** January 6, 2015

**Subject:** MDCLC Annual Installation Gala

**Prepared By:** Mayor David Coviello

**Sponsored By:** Commission

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### **Background**

The Village of Biscayne Park is a member of the Miami Dade County League of Cities (MDCLC). Their annual Installation Gala is on Saturday, February 7, 2015.

### **Recommendation:**

Discussion on the attendance of elected officials and staff.

### **Attachments:**

- MDCLC 61<sup>st</sup> Annual Installation Gala invitation



# 61<sup>st</sup> Annual Installation Gala

*Honoring the Installation of our Incoming President*

*Jon Burgess*

*Councilman, City of Homestead*

*and the 2015-2016 Executive Board & Board of Directors*



*Saturday, February 7, 2015*

*6:30pm Cocktail Reception, 7:30pm Awards Ceremony  
Installation and Dinner to Follow*



*Jungle Island, Treetop Ballroom*

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