



MINUTES
SPECIAL COMMISSION MEETING
Ed Burke Recreation Center - 11400 NE 9th Court
Biscayne Park, FL 33161
Tuesday, May 19, 2015 at 6:30pm

1 Call to Order

Mayor David Coviello called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

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 Siegel
Village Attorney John Hearn
Building Coordinator Shanesa Mykoo
Public Services Manager Krishan Manners
Police Chief Cornelius McKenna
Parks & Recreation Manager Shelecia Bartley
Assistant Public Works Manager Cesar Hernandez

3 Pledge of Allegiance

4 Presentations

5 Additions, Deletions or Withdrawals to the Agenda

6 Public Comments Related to Agenda Items / Good & Welfare

7 Information / Updates

8.a Resolution 2015-34

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT BETWEEN MCKENZIE CONSTRUCTION LLC, AND THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK FOR THE LOG CABIN RESTORATION PROJECT; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Attorney Hearn read the title.

Manager Siegel provided the background of the bid process, subsequent negotiations, value engineering, and financing of the project. Proposing a contract which is the full scope of work based on our available funds with an option for a change order in the future once future funds are secured.

Architect Richard Heisenbottle and Gavin McKenzie from McKenzie Construction were also present.

Commissioner Anderson: Concerned with some of the items listed for completion in Phase IV, such as the chinking and stain. Continue to look for items from first three phases that can be delayed in order that we can be assured these will be completed and that we have a sound structure.

Vice Mayor Jonas: Concerned with the increased cost of the project over what had been originally estimated. Does not see the need for the permanent dais or the porch railings.

Commissioner Ross: Committed to doing all four phases, but understand the need to find savings, if it becomes necessary. On the resolution, asks that it include the Village's matching grant information.

Commissioner Watts: Inquired on selection of type of logs and lighting fixtures.

Mayor Coviello: Confirms if only the first three phases are complete, that the building will be not be operable, due to the electrical lighting requirements. Can an item be moved out of the first three phases to accommodate the electrical requirement.

Public Comments:

Noah Jacobs: Thanks Mr. Heisenbottle and Mr. McKenzie for attending the meeting. Curious as to what needs to be done in regards to keeping the historic designation. Focus is on renovation of the cabin and what percentage of money is being spent on that. Agrees with Commissioner Anderson on the amount that is

being spent. Appreciates all the hard work being done on this project, but you need to understand what you will encumber on next year's budget. You have a duty and responsibility to represent the community as a functioning entity, but also the resident's and homeowners of the community that eventually will have to pay for every single dime of the loan service and the matching funds. What exactly needs to be done in order that the building remains historical.

Gary Kuhl: In defense of Mr. Heisenbottle's estimate, a difficult building to make an accurate estimate. In the variation of the estimate and bids, there should be an 18% c contingency on this project. Ours is much lower and will disappear in a heart beat. Look for the Commission and Administration to engage in getting donations.

Jorge Marinoni: Asks for clarification on the replacement of exterior logs and the possibility of shrinkage of the chinking. Mr. Heisenbottle explains that in certain portions where a replacement is required, we do not have the luxury of utilizing Dade County pine.

Mr. Heisenbottle: Explains that in certain portions where a replacement is required, we do not have the luxury of utilizing Dade County pine. In a perfect world, would have chosen to do that. Have used pressure treated southern yellow pine, and the chinking that will be used has flexibility. Confident that it will be successful. In regards to historic preservation, doing everything to enhance its historic integrity and return the building to historic integrity and add the necessary maintenance to the building. Undoing things done in the past that did compromise its historic integrity.

Vice Mayor Jonas makes a motion to approve Resolution 2015-34 and it is seconded by Commissioner Ross.

After discussion, motion is called to a vote.

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

Opposed: None

Motion carries: 5/0

9 Old Business

10 New Business

11 Reports

12 Announcements

Tuesday, May 19th - Crime Watch Meeting at 7:00pm

Wednesday, May 20th - Parks & Parkway Advisory Board at 6:00pm

Monday, May 25th - All Village Departments are Closed for Memorial Day

Tuesday, May 28th - Recreation Advisory Board at 7:00pm

Monday, June 1st - Planning & Zoning Board at 6:30pm

The next regular commission meeting is Tuesday, June 2, 2015, at 7:00pm.

13 Adjournment

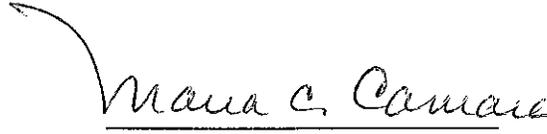
The meeting was adjourned at 7:50pm.

Commission approved on June 2, 2015.

Attest:



David Coviello, Mayor



Maria Camara, Village Clerk