



## **MINUTES**

**Special Commission Meeting  
Log Cabin - 640 NE 114th Street  
Biscayne Park, FL 33161  
Wednesday, April 19, 2017 at 6:30pm**

**1 Call to Order**

Mayor Tracy Truppman called the meeting to order at 6:34pm.

**2 Roll Call**

Mayor Tracy Truppman - present

Vice Mayor Jenny Johnson-Sardella - present

Commissioner Harvey Bilt - present

Commissioner Roxanna Ross - present

Commissioner William Tudor - present

Present from staff were:

Interim Village Manager Krishan Manners

Village Clerk Marlen D. Martell

Village Attorney Andrew Dunkiel

Interim Police Chief Nicholas Wollschlager

Public Works Manager Mario Matos

**3 Pledge of Allegiance**

**4 Presentations**

Mayor Truppman declared April 28, 2017, as Arbor Day.

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

No changes to the current agenda

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

Chuck Ross: Looked over several resumes and three seemed the better choice because most were not from South Florida. They do not have the connections in the county or the understanding of our cultural diversity. Noticed while looking at the resumes that Mark Kutney which lives an hour and a half away had re-applied, but when asked to come help as Interim, he did not come to help. Who should be given the job is the person which is here now and came to help. Also, Mr. Cabrera has good credentials he has been Deputy Chief and has held an executive position for four years. But the person which is here now should stay as Village Manager.

Dan Samaria: Gave credit to the current Commissioners for taking the time to meet individually to discuss the choice of candidates. What should be considered is who is best for the residents. After reviewing the applications only 3 seemed qualified, but will not provide opinion.

Janey Anderson: Has spoken with the Commission and would add one additional comment. It is not what is on paper but what someone does and shows, ambition, the willingness to learn and understanding of the village. Disappointed the six resumes were not on the website and would like to see the resumes of the three selected posted on the website.

Rosemary Wais: Think very carefully about the person that will be selected. Worked with current manager and know his work ethic, is hard working and is doing a good job. Most of all he knows the community and someone new will be making mistakes. Better to work with someone you know than to have to go through trial and error with someone else.

Bob Anderson: Grateful to have on the agenda the removal of the surplus vehicles avoiding the Village to look like a junk yard.

Ed Chisolm: Represented four families and eight residents that could not attend the meeting, but supported the current Manager Mr. Manners. He has proved himself and when you have a winner you bet on the winner.

## **7 Consent Agenda**

### **Resolution 2017-23**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA DECLARING VILLAGE VEHICLES AS SURPLUS PROPERTY AND GRANTING THE VILLAGE MANAGER AUTHORIZATION TO SELL SAID SURPLUS THROUGH BIDERA AUCTIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

Commissioner Ross motioned for approval, seconded by Commissioner Tudor.

**Opposed: None**

**Motion carries: 5/0**

## **8 New Business**

Selection of three potential candidates for the position of Village Manager will be determined at this meeting.

Ballots were distributed to the Commission. Interim Village Manager Manners left the chambers.

The Village Clerk read the individual results of the Commission. The selection was random. No ranking or preference was determined.

Mayor Truppman selected: Mark Kutney, Ray Irizarri and Krishan Manners  
Vice Mayor Johnson-Sardella selected: Mark Kutney, Ray Irizarri and Krishan Manners  
Commissioner Bilt selected: Mark Kutney, Krishan Manners and Ray Irizarri  
Commissioner Ross selected: Krishan Manners and Angie Whisnant  
Commissioner Tudor selected: Mark Kutney, David Johnson and Krishan Manners

Village Clerk read the final results: Krishan Manners received 5 votes, Mark Kutney received 4 votes and Ray Irizarri received 3 votes. In addition, the next step will be to setup one-on-one interviews lasting between 30 and 45 minutes with the Commissioners on Thursday, April 27th, 2017 followed by a Meet and Greet at 6:00pm with the residents.

**Interim Village Manager's Report:**

Received today the first draft of the CAFR which will be reviewed by the Finance Consultant. It will shortly be distributed to the Commission for comments and concerns. The anticipated completion time is the end of April and submitted at the Regular Commission meeting of May 2, 2017. Also, finance is caught up with deposits, accounts payable and end of year bonuses for the public works employees. The 1/2 penny sales tax designated to pay back the renovation of the Log Cabin was to be placed in a separate account for the loaning bank to make automatic withdrawals. The account was not setup at that time but it will be now bringing the Village into compliance. Next month the employee health insurance will be submitted to the Commission for approval. The insurance consultant has provided a comparable plan. Previously, the employees were covered by Aetna which the policy would be increasing by 10%, while AvMed provides the Village a 16% saving equivalent to approximately \$20,000.00.

Commissioner Ross recommended looking for a quote from FMIT.

Interim Village Manager agreed with Commissioner Ross' recommendation. He spoke of the arrival of three new police vehicles and the removal of the surplus vehicles. The Interim Village Manager asked the Village Attorney to draw up a contract for proceeding with the hiring of a Chief of Police by offering the position to the current Interim Chief. Interviews for the administrative assistant clerk were conducted this week, a possible candidate is being offered the position. The Mayor had a ride-a-long with the Code Officer and pointed out a few issues. The Mayor was impressed by her knowledge of the residents. A noticeable increase in citations has been reported by Code Compliance. The Interim Manager mentioned this was due to the supervision of Mr. Matos. There have been some improvements on the surrounding grounds of the recreation center, but the painting will be delayed until some patching is done to the exterior. The position of the Recreation Manager will be re-advertised. In addition, the Manager provided the Commission with a report stating all that was mentioned during the meeting and much more.

## 9 Announcements

Friday, April 21st - Health & Wellness Keep Active Get Moving at 1:00pm

Saturday, April 22th - Biscayne Park Foundation - Earth Day Celebration

Thursday, April 27th - Meet and Greet Village Manager Candidates at 6:00pm

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

Our next regular Commission meeting is Tuesday, May 2, 2017, at 7:00pm.

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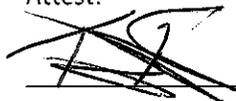
## 10 Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:06pm

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Commission approved on May 2, 2017.

Attest:

  
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Tracy Truppman, Mayor

  
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Marlen Martell, Village Clerk