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Mayor and Commission

Noah Jacobs
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Robert "Bob" Anderson
Vice Mayor

Bryan Cooper
Commissioner

Roxanna Ross
Commissioner

Commissioner Watts
Commissioner

Maria C. Camara
Interim Village Manager

John J. Hearn
Village Attorney

MINUTES
SPECIAL COMMISSION MEETING
Ed Burke Recreation Center - 11400 NE 9th Court
Biscayne Park, FL 33161
Thursday, November 14, 2013 6:30PM

1 Call to Order

Mayor Noah Jacobs called the meeting to order at 6:46pm.

2 Roll Call

Mayor Noah Jacobs - present

Vice Mayor Bryan Cooper - absent (*Arrived at 6:58pm*)

Commissioner Bob Anderson - present

Commissioner Roxanna Ross - absent (*Arrived at 6:51pm*)

Commissioner Barbara Watts - present

Present from staff were:

Interim Village Manager Maria C. Camara

Village Attorney Eve Boutsis

Chief Ray Atesiano

Assistant to the Manager/Public Services Director Candido Sosa-Cruz

Finance Director Irwin Williams

Assistant Public Works Director Cesar Hernandez

3 Pledge of Allegiance

4 Presentations

< None >

5 Additions, Deletions or Withdrawals to Agenda

Vice Mayor Anderson: Discussion of the Resolution 2013-52 that was passed at the last meeting. The item is added as item 12.c under Old Business.

Commissioner Ross withdraws item 11.b, Resolution 2013-54.

Mayor Jacobs took the following item, 10.a, out of order.

Ordinances - SECOND READING

10.a Ordinance 2013-13

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE COMMISSION OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA, PURSUANT TO SECTION 166.041, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO AMEND ORDINANCE 2012-12 ADOPTED ON OCTOBER 23, 2012, FINALIZING AND ADOPTING THE ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012-13, BY AMENDING VARIOUS PARTS OF THE BUDGET CONSISTENT WITH EXHIBIT "A", ATTACHED HERETO; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Mayor Jacobs read the title.

Mayor Jacobs opened the meeting for public comment and there were none.

Vice Mayor Anderson makes a motion to approve Ordinance 2013-13 at second reading and it is seconded by Commissioner Watts.

All in favor: Mayor Jacobs, Vice Mayor Anderson, and Commissioner Watts

Motion carries: 3/0

6 Public Comments Related to Agenda Items / Good & Welfare

Dan Samaria: Asks that an e-mail blast is sent out reminding residents to donate to food collection for Thanksgiving.

Chuck Ross: Expressed his opposition to the item related to Fred Jonas.

Janey Anderson: Stated that the Village is struggling with finances. Disappointed with four agenda items. Stated that for Resolution 2013-60, the language from Resolution 2011-21 should be used instead.

Gary Kuhl: Expressed his opposition to the item related to Fred Jonas. Stated that the items related to the Australian Pines are against science and the tenets of TREE City USA.

Linda Dillon: Stated that Resolution 2011-21 was already passed. Expressed support for Mr. Jonas. Presented a \$100 donation to the Foundation.

Barbara Kuhl: Expressed her support of Fred Jonas and her opposition to the item related to Fred Jonas. Concerned with the language of Resolution 2013-60.

Marie Smith: Shared that there is no civility at commission meetings. Expressed support for Australian Pines and the proposed tree preservation resolution.

Fred Jonas: Advised the concern that a neighbor had expressed to him on an Australian Pine on 10th Ave between 117th and 118th that is covered in vines.

7 Interim Village Manager

8 Village Attorney

9 Consent Agenda

Item 9.d, Resolution 2013-60, was pulled and moved to item 11.b
Item 9.g, Resolution 2013-63, was pulled and moved to item 11.c
Item 9.h, Resolution 2013-64, was pulled and moved to item 11.d
Item 9.i, Resolution 2013-65, was pulled and moved to item 11.e
Item 9.f, Resolution 2013-62, was pulled and moved to item 11.f

Left on the consent agenda:

9.a Approval of Minutes

- > August 13, 2013 2nd Budget Workshop FY 2013-14 Budget
- > September 10, 2013 Regular Commission Meeting
- > September 11, 2013 1st Public Hearing FY 2013-14 Budget
- > September 21, 2013 Annexation Workshop
- > September 24, 2013 2nd Public Hearing FY 2013-14 Budget
- > October 1, 2013 Regular Commission Meeting
- > October 17, 2013 Special Commission Meeting

9.b Acceptance of Board Minutes

- > Parks & Parkway Advisory Board - September 18, 2013
- > Ecology Board - August 19, 2013
- > Planning & Zoning Board - October 10, 2013
- > Planning & Zoning Board - October 21, 2013
- > Code Compliance Board - October 8, 2013
- > Code Review Board - October 2, 2013
- > Resident Review Committee - August 21, 2013

9.c **Resolution 2013-48**

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA, **URGING AND ENCOURAGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO REPEAL ALL LAWS WHICH DENY THE RESTORATION OF VOTING RIGHTS**; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

9.d **Resolution 2013-49**

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA, **SUPPORTING EFFORTS TO REDUCE GUN VIOLENCE AND ILLEGAL FIREARMS TRAFFICKING** THROUGH MORE RESPONSIBLE GUN SALES AND MARKETING PRACTICES; DIRECTING THE INTERIM VILLAGE MANAGER TO COORDINATE WITH THE CHIEF OF POLICE TO PARTNER WITH OTHER MUNICIPALITIES TO CREATE A COALITION IN SUPPORT OF THIS INITIATIVE AND TO WORK WITH GUN AND AMMUNITION SUPPLIERS TO ENCOURAGE THE CONSIDERATION OF SALES AND MARKETING SAFEGUARDS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

9.f **Resolution 2013-52**

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA, **SCHEDULING A SPECIAL COMMISSION MEETING ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2013, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CERTIFYING THE RESULTS OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION; ADMINISTERING THE OATH OF OFFICE TO THE NEWLY ELECTED COMMISSIONERS; PROVIDING A WORKSHOP AND ORIENTATION TO ALL ELECTED OFFICIALS**; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

9.g **Resolution 2013-53**

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA, AFFIRMING **SUPPORT FOR THE INSTALLATION OF FIBER OPTIC CABLE FOR PUBLIC USE IN THE FLORIDA EAST COAST RAIL CORRIDOR**; URING MUNICIPALITIES OF MIAMI DADE COUNTY TO SUPPORT THE INSTALLATION OF FIBER OPTIC CABLE FOR PUBLIC USE IN THE FLORIDA EAST COAST RAIL CORRIDOR; PROVIDING FOR APPROVAL AND AUTHORIZATION; PROVIDING FOR EFFECTIVE DATE

9.h **Resolution 2013-55**

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

9.i **Resolution 2013-56**

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA, **AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF \$11,976.00 FOR BULLET PROOF VESTS THAT WILL BE REIMBURSED IN FULL THROUGH AN AWARDED GRANT**; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

9.j **Resolution 2013-57**

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA, **AUTHORIZING THE INTERIM VILLAGE MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE BUSINESS CLASS SERVICE ORDER AGREEMENT BETWEEN COMCAST AND THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK FOR INTERNET SERVICE**; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

9.k Commission approval to waive fees for Meet the Candidate event scheduled for Monday, November 25, 2013.

Commissioner Ross makes a motion to approve the balance of the consent agenda.

It is seconded by Vice Mayor Anderson.

All in favor: Mayor Jacobs, Vice Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Cooper, Commissioner Ross and Commissioner Watts

Opposed: None

Motion carries: 5/0

Mayor Jacobs took the following item, 11.f, out of order.

11.f **Resolution 2013-62**

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA; AUTHORIZING THE INTERIM VILLAGE MANAGER TO **EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN CRAIG A. SMITH & ASSOCIATES, INC. AND THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES** RELATING TO BID DOCUMENTS, PROJECT BIDDING, CONSTRUCTION AND CLOSE-OUT ASSOCIATED WITH THE DRAINAGE AND ROADWAY REPAIR ON NORTHEAST 111TH STREET AND NORTHEAST 9TH COURT; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Attorney Boutsis read the title.

Director Sosa-Cruz introduced Gene Schriener from Craig A. Smith & Associates.

Mr. Schriener was asked to explain why he recommended option A. He stated that this is a point repair. Why replace 80' of pipe when you only have a problem that is 8' long. Did not see any other issue with drainage line. He further explained that if you were to replace the entire system, it may not be the system you would want in the future. Further recommends that we take a global look at the entire drainage system and decide what needs to be done and identify improvements, including perhaps a positive outfall which is different than the french drain systems we currently have.

Mr. Schriener was asked if there was any evidence that the pipe was not properly installed. He stated it was a joint separation, so definitely an issue with installation. Looks to be workmanship.

Mr. Schriener was also asked to explain what is a positive outfall as compared to a french drain system. He explained that a french drain system is an older system in Florida. The downside is during summer, water tables are high, and the system does not work well. Many cities have changed to a positive outfall, for example the City of Sweetwater, but it did not work well there. Does not know enough about our entire system to know if a positive outfall would work here. Would need to do the analysis, get the cost, and then get funding. State, County and FEMA appropriations are available.

Commissioner Ross makes a motion to approve Resolution 2013-62 and it is seconded by Vice Mayor Anderson.

All in favor: Mayor Jacobs, Vice Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Cooper, Commissioner Ross and Commissioner Watts

Opposed: None

Motion carries: 5/0

Mayor Jacobs took the following item, 12.a, out of order.

12.a Village Manager Selection Process: Announcement of Village Manager selection.

Vice Mayor Anderson makes a motion to go straight to the voting and there is consensus to proceed with each Commissioner to make their selection on paper and submit it to the Clerk.

The Clerk tallies the votes which are as follows:

Commissioner Cooper: Heidi Shafran
Vice Mayor Anderson: Sharon Ragoonan
Mayor Jacobs: Heidi Shafran
Commissioner Ross: Heidi Shafran
Commissioner Watts: Heidi Shafran

Commissioner Ross makes a motion selecting Heidi Shafran as the next Village Manager and it is seconded by Vice Mayor Anderson.

All in favor: Mayor Jacobs, Vice Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Cooper, Commissioner Ross and Commissioner Watts

Opposed: None

Motion carries: 5/0

Commissioner Ross makes a motion to direct the Village attorney to negotiate a contract with the new Village Manager in line with the agreement of the prior Manager. It is seconded by Mayor Jacobs.

All in favor: Mayor Jacobs, Vice Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Cooper, Commissioner Ross and Commissioner Watts

Opposed: None

Motion carries: 5/0

There is consensus to bring back the agreement for approval at the November 20th Special Commission meeting.

11 Resolutions

11.a Resolution 2013-44

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA, **ADOPTING AN ANTI-BULLYING POLICY** THAT ESTABLISHES AN AWARENESS CAMPAIGN FOR THE PREVENTION OF BULLYING, HARASSMENT AND INTIMIDATION OF CHILDREN, ADULTS AND EMPLOYEES AT VILLAGE FACILITIES; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Attorney Boutsis read the title.

Commissioner Watts makes a motion to return Resolution 2013-44 to its original wording as presented on October 1st, and to approve it. It is seconded by Commissioner Ross.

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

Opposed: Mayor Jacobs and Commissioner Cooper

Motion carries: 3/2

Commissioner Watts makes a motion to direct staff to include an anti-harassment policy, with a statement to cover whistle blowers, in the current revision of the Employee Policies and Procedures Handbook, and to submit to the Commission for approval. It is seconded by Commissioner Cooper.

All in favor: Mayor Jacobs, Vice Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Cooper, Commissioner Ross and Commissioner Watts

Opposed: None

Motion carries: 5/0

11.b Resolution 2013-60

RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK RE-EMPHASIZING OUR COMMITMENT TO MAINTAIN CIVILITY IN THE CONDUCT OF THE PUBLIC'S BUSINESS AS IT RELATES TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES, AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE VILLAGE, AND DIRECTING STAFF TO CREATE SUCH A POLICY FOR THE VILLAGE COUNCIL TO REVIEW AND ENACT; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Mayor Jacobs read the title.

After hearing comments on this resolution, Commissioner Watts makes a motion to replace the language of this resolution with that of Resolution 2011-21 and to include board and committee members. It is seconded by Commissioner Ross.

Mayor Jacobs is not eager to support the motion. No matter how odious comments are, or if view are dissenting, everyone has a right to say it. Not comfortable with restricting freedom of speech.

Commissioner Cooper concurs. Has a problem when mis-information is sent out. Miami Dade County law already has provisions to take action if it happens. This is not needed. Could be used as a weapon for repression.

Commissioner Ross stated that Resolution 2011-21 does not restrict any form of speech. It only asks to respect the right of citizens.

Mayor Jacobs does not agree.

The motion is called to a vote.

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

Opposed: Mayor Jacobs and Commissioner Cooper

Motion carries: 3/2

11.c Resolution 2013-63

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA; GIVING DIRECTION TO THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATION TO DEVELOP AND DRAFT A TREE MAINTENANCE AND TREE REMOVAL POLICY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor Jacobs read the title.

Commissioner Watts understands that Miami Dade County has a tree ordinance which the Village falls under, but it does not provide for notification to residents when a tree is taken down that are adjacent to their property. City of Miami does this which gives time for an appeal. Behooves us to look at other cities. The removal of Australian Pines last summer caused a lot of resident reaction.

Commissioner Watts makes a motion to approve Resolution 2013-63 and it is seconded by Commissioner Cooper.

Commissioner Ross agrees that notification to residents is a good policy, but the process should not be burdensome. Also concerned that the memorandum provided with this resolution talks about a specific tree. It should be for all trees.

Vice Mayor Anderson had previously asked what other cities had. Agrees with Commissioner Ross that we should not single out a specific tree. In 2004, we passed a resolution to trim 18 Australian Pines at a cost of \$5,700. We only have a small amount of money available to trim all trees and we should look at all trees and prioritize. If you single out a tree, would be against it. If this covers all trees, would be for it.

Commissioner Watts explained that Australian Pines are special to the Village. Just asking for a policy that gives special attention to them. Does not mean to exclude other trees.

Commissioner Watts makes a motion to amend Resolution to cut out the language that it is specific to Australian Pines. Commissioner Cooper agrees to the amendment.

The original motion is called to a vote.

All in favor: Mayor Jacobs, Vice Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Cooper, Commissioner Ross and Commissioner Watts

Opposed: None

Motion carries: 5/0

11.d **Resolution 2013-64**

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA, **DECLARING AUSTRALIAN PINES IN THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK AS CHAMPION/HISTORIC TREES** AND TO ESTABLISH A PRESERVATION FUND; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor Jacobs read the title.

Commissioner Watts provided background on the origins of the Australian Pines and that recent studies done by the State of Florida has provided ways that their promulgation can be stopped. There should be efforts by the Village to maintain and preserve all trees, including the Australian Pines before they die, and the Town of Gulfstream was provided as an example. Asks that funding be established for this endeavor, including that of the Biscayne Park Foundation.

Attorney Boutsis provided her concerns with those trees that are on county or state roads. Would recommend the resolution be amended showing a declaration of intent.

Commissioner Cooper has gotten previous assurances that the County would not remove. Nothing would keep us from moving forward with the "intent".

Commissioner Ross recommends working with the County to get their approval. Is concerned with all trees and the available funding. Need to prioritize and put our limited funding where it would provide biggest impact to the Village. Grants help us stretch our dollars when it comes to tree maintenance. These grants administered by the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and the Division of Forestry. Florida is the state with the most championed trees and this same division administers this. Have looked at their registry and the Australian Pines are not on this list because evasive exotic trees cannot be named as champion. Wonders how the Division will view our next grant if we put money aside for a tree that is not on the State's champion list. To go against the Division could put us in a bad light. Do not see this as a move in a positive direction. There is no plan in place to remove Australian Pines. We have mitigated when there was a hazard. We need to seek grants. Do not want to see us leave money on the table.

Commissioner Anderson: Regarding the Town of Gulfstream, they have a two mile stretch of Australian Pines. Further, they have a full-time arborist. Their median income is \$176 thousand. In Miami Beach, they have greater revenue and resources to maintain. We do not. In Pembroke Pines, the Australian Pines are in a park, or a grove of many trees and they see it as a bird sanctuary. They do not have Australian Pines in their medians next to homes. We are different. We do not have the resources. We don't have the capital to fix our roads which are severely damaged by tree roots. We have limits and we need to maintain all trees.

Commissioner Cooper: On assertion that we would be in danger of not getting grants, does not agree.

Mayor Jacobs: It is unfortunate that we all say how special we are, and one of those signature items is the Australian Pines. This is something we should cherish. Has never heard before that Commissioner Watts is not considerate of all types of trees. She does support all trees and wants to honor the original trees. If we are special, one of the things we should do is to honor our history and the Australian Pines. Not to honor them would be improper.

Director Sosa-Cruz: In regards to tree trimming, in the last fiscal year we did half of the Village. Part of that included the Australian Pines on 118th Street. We do not exclude any trees in trimming process. We maintain all trees.

Commissioner Watts makes a motion to approve Resolution 2013-64 with the insertion of "intent" in the title. It is seconded by Commissioner Cooper.

All in favor: Mayor Jacobs, Commissioner Cooper and Commissioner Watts

Opposed: Vice Mayor Anderson and Commissioner Ross

Motion carries: 3/2

11.e Resolution 2013-65

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA; **RECOMMENDING A REPRIMAND OF BISCAYNE FOUNDATION PRESIDENT FRED JONAS**; REQUESTING THAT FRED JONAS CEASE HIS CONFLICT OF INTEREST ACTIVITIES, OR OTHERWISE BE SUBJECT TO REMOVAL AS A BOARD MEMBER OF THE FOUNDATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH ITS BYLAWS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Attorney Boutsis read the title.

Commissioner Watts makes a motion to approve Resolution 2013-65 and it is seconded by Commissioner Cooper.

Commissioner Watts explained that this was on her list of things to do for quite a while. Many had expressed to her that as the President of the Foundation, Mr. Jonas should be the main cheerleader for the Village. But instead his blog vilifies the administration and commission. Contrary to the expressed goals of the Village.

Mr. Jonas was provided the opportunity to speak and stated he does not comprehend this resolution, or what conflict of interest exists, or what is being asked of him to change, or why this is being done now. Reminds Commissioner Watts of how critical she, Commissioner Cooper and Steve Bernard were of this commission.

Mayor Jacobs called for a recess at 8:49pm.

The meeting resumed at 9:01pm.

Mr. Jonas apologized for losing his cool. Does not want to hear from Commissioner Watts that he is wasting Village money as that would be hypocritical. Wants to know what Commissioner Watts wants him to change. Feels he has been under attack by Steve Bernard who is urging people not to vote for him. Is concerned that many of his campaign signs have been removed, and that this Resolution is part of that pattern. This could be considered as a tort that is liable.

Commissioner Watts suggests that Mr. Jonas change the tone of his blog and that any statements putting down the administration or commission cease. Asks to cease being critical and to keep with the goals of the Foundation.

Commissioner Watts makes a motion to table the motion indefinitely and it is seconded by Mayor Jacobs.

All in favor: Mayor Jacobs and Commissioner Watts

Opposed: Vice Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Cooper and Commissioner Ross

Motion fails: 2/3

Commissioner Cooper: Clear from a legal perspective that conflict of interest is not the proper term. There is a conflict of purpose and misinformation.

Commissioner Ross: Very suspicious of the timing of this item. Concerned with the use of conflict of interest activity. That phrase is used for serious crimes. Reminds Commissioner Watts of the derogatory remarks she made when she was a resident. It was the right she had to make those statements. Commissioner Cooper took an oath to uphold the laws of the Village, County and State. Have seen him furnish false information again and again. If there is anyone we want to bring forward it should be ourselves. I chose not to pursue this with Commissioner Cooper because I did not want to waste Village resources in that engagement.

Mayor Jacobs: The truth is that no matter how disrespectful, you have the right to do so. Regardless of what was said, he has the right to do so, even those statements that were personal attacks of me. Does not appear that there is fundamental support that it has impeded his ability to serve on the Foundation.

Commissioner Watts withdraws the item.

12 Old Business

12.b Commissioner Ross: Update on the Clean Energy Coastal Corridor initiative.

Commissioner Ross provided a brief update on this project. Will be going live in about six months. Participated in an organizational meeting on October 10th. Jordan Leonard was named the Chair. Second meeting on November 19th will be to discuss the assessment. Will provide an update after that. Looks to have applications being processed in 6-8 months.

Mayor Jacobs thanks Commissioner Ross for spear heading this effort.

12.c Resolution 2013-52 that was passed on November 6th, regarding the meeting on December 10th.

Vice Mayor Anderson looking to confirm that the selection of the Mayor at the December 10th meeting is included in Resolution 2013-52 that was passed on November 6th,, and that there is also flexibility to add items to the agenda that are time sensitive.

Vice Mayor Anderson makes a motion to amend the Resolution to include the selection of Mayor and it is seconded by Commissioner Ross.

All in favor: Mayor Jacobs, Vice Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Cooper, Commissioner Ross and Commissioner Watts

Opposed: None

Motion carries: 5/0

13 New Business

< None >

14 Final Public Comment

Barbara Kuhl expressed her concern regarding the work and money involved in some items that were placed on the agenda. Stated that Fred Jonas deserved an apology.

Chuck Ross: Expresses support for Fred Jonas receiving an apology. Congratulates Heidi Shafran - a good addition to the Village. In regards to Crime Watch, substantial leap in membership.

Linda Dillon: Welcomes Heidi Shafran. Reminds everyone of the Meet the Candidates event on November 25th.

15 Announcements

- Monday, November 18th - Planning & Zoning Board at 6:30pm
- Monday, November 18th - Ecology Board at 6:30pm
- Wednesday, November 20th - Special Commission Meeting at 6:30pm
- Wednesday, November 20th - Parks & Parkway Advisory Board at 6:00pm
- Friday, November 22nd - 80th Anniversary Art/Music Celebration
- Monday, November 25th - Meet the Candidates at 7:00pm
- Thursday, November 28th - All Village Departments are closed for Thanksgiving
- Friday, November 29th - Village Hall is closed. Public Works is operational.
- Monday, December 2nd - Planning & Zoning Board at 6:30pm
- Tuesday, December 3rd - Biscayne Park Election from 7:00am to 7:00pm
- Thursday, December 5th - Recreation Advisory Board at 7:00pm

Our next regular Commission meeting is Tuesday, December 10 2013, at 7:00pm.

Adjournment

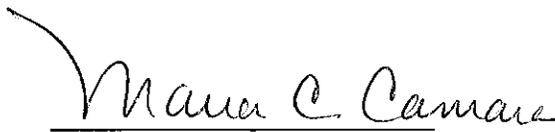
The meeting was adjourned at 9:34pm.

Commission approved on January 7, 2014.

Attest:



David Coviello, Mayor



Maria Camara, Village Clerk