



MINUTES
SPECIAL COMMISSION MEETING
Log Cabin - 640 NE 114th Street
Biscayne Park, FL 33161
Friday, March 10, 2017 at 6:30pm

1 Call to Order

Mayor Tracy Truppmann called the meeting to order at 6:32pm.

2 Roll Call

Mayor Tracy Truppmann - present
Vice Mayor David Coviello - present
Commissioner Jenny Johnson-Sardella - present
Commissioner Roxanna Ross - present
Commissioner William Tudor - present

Present from staff were:

Interim Village Manager Maria C. Camara
Village Clerk Marlen Martell
Village Attorney Andrew Dunkiel
Public Works Manager Mario Matos
Police Commander Roy Camara

3 Pledge of Allegiance

4 Additions, Deletions or Withdrawals to the Agenda

A proclamation for the City of West Miami was read into the minutes celebrating the City's 70th Birthday.

5 Public Comments Related to Agenda Items / Good & Welfare

Mac Kennedy: The last couple of days were very emotional. Not in support of the Mayor and requested that she step down as Mayor. Was troubled by the comment that the Village of Biscayne Park will survive, and instead the Village needs to thrive.

Dan Schneider: Agreed with Barbara regarding inappropriate comments made by Fred Jones. This is not cyber bullying. Has all been said in this room. Need to talk about the facts. We are experiencing a serious failure of leadership. Given no explanation about resignation. The manager was bullied. Or three commissioners could not get along with the manager.

Gaspar Sardella: Extreme lack of respect towards everyone. Conduct yourselves accordingly.

Barbara Watts: Agreed with many of the statements made. The Commission works for almost nothing and taking away from their personal time. The community should be pulling together supporting the Mayor. There is no need to ridicule and disparage the elected.

6 New Business

6.a Village Manager Selection Process

The Mayor and Commissioners agreed to post the position from March 13 until March 31, with a number of recommendations made to the requirements. Specifically, stating relocation cost would not be considered. The consensus was to reach out to prior applicants. Mr. Mark Kutney and Sarah Hanah Spurlock. Does not preclude their ability to also apply for the position. The salary without benefits would be set for \$82,000.00 during their tenure.

Roy Camara would be retiring and his badge would be retired as well. A special thanks to Officer Camara and his years of service.

Commissioner Johnson-Sadella made a motion to retire Commander Camara's badge, seconded by Vice Mayor Coviello.

All in favor: Mayor Truppman, Vice Mayor Coviello, Commissioner Johnson-Sardella, Commissioner Ross and Commissioner Tudor.

Opposed: None

Motion carried: 5-0

6.b Legislative Priorities: Senator Daphine Campbell was requesting a contact person. The Mayor asked for volunteers from the Commission and seeing none volunteered to take on that duty.

6.c Parks and Recreation Manager: Vice Mayor Corviello was concerned that a Parks and Recreation Manager had not been hired and that would affect the activities provided to the residents. The Mayor and Commissioners recommended to first focus on hiring a Village Manager.

6.d Strategic Planning Session: Commissioner Ross was concerned about the discussion of a Strategic Planning Session. Mayor Truppman changed the name of the meeting to Community Forum to finish the discussion on Code Compliance and Police issues.

7 Announcements

Monday, March 13th - Code Compliance Board at 7:00pm
Thursday, March 16th - Meet the Candidates at 6:30pm
Saturday, March 18th - PAMM Inside/Out Celebrating Art Event
Monday, March 20th - Planning and Zoning Board at 6:30pm
Tuesday, March 28th - Special Election from 7:00am to 7:00pm
Tuesday, March 28th - Miami Shores FREE Chamber Mixer at 5:00pm
Monday, April 3rd - Planning and Zoning Board at 6:30pm

Interim Village Manager Camara had good news to relate to the Commission. The Village was granted an extension until CARF June 30, 2017, for the submission of the CAFR.

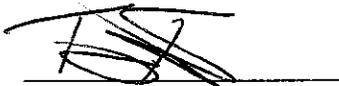
The next regular Commission meeting is Tuesday, April 4, 2017 at 7:00pm.

8 Adjournment

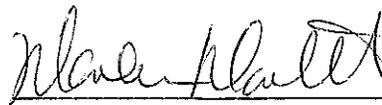
The meeting was adjourned at 8:58pm.

Commission approved on April 4, 2017.

Attest:



Tracy Truppman, Mayor



Marlen Martell, Village Clerk