

## **MINUTES**

### **REGULAR MEETING OF THE WELLINGTON VILLAGE COUNCIL**

**Wellington Village Hall  
12300 Forest Hill Blvd  
Wellington, FL 33414**

**Tuesday, October 10, 2017  
7:00 p.m.**

Pursuant to the foregoing notice, a Regular Meeting of the Wellington Council was held on Tuesday, October 10, 2017, commencing at 7:00 p.m. at Wellington Village Hall, 12300 Forest Hill Boulevard, Wellington, FL 33414.

Council Members present: Anne Gerwig, Mayor; John T. McGovern, Vice Mayor; Michael Drahos, Councilman; Michael Napoleone, Councilman; and Tanya Siskind, Councilwoman.

Advisors to the Council: Paul Schofield, Manager; Laurie Cohen, Attorney; Jim Barnes, Assistant Manager; Tanya Quickel, Director of Administrative and Financial Services; and Chevelle D. Nubin, Village Clerk.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** - Mayor Gerwig called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Cub Scout Troop #125 led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **INVOCATION** - Minister Geraldo Vieira, The Pentecostals of the Palm Beaches (Wellington Branch), delivered the invocation.
4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mr. Schofield indicated staff recommended approval of the Agenda as amended:

- 1) Withdraw Item 6C, Authorization to Award a Contract for the Patriot Memorial Trellis Structural Repairs, from the Consent Agenda, as the cost for the entire pergola is too high.
- 2) Move Consent Agenda item 6D, Ratification of Expenditures for Emergency Debris Pick-Up and Disposal, to Presentations and Proclamations as item 5B and include the Hurricane Debris Update.

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor McGovern, seconded by Councilman Napoleone, and unanimously passed (5-0), to approve the Agenda as amended.**

#### **5. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS**

##### **A. 17-1244 FISCAL YEAR 2018 KEELY SPINELLI GRANT AWARDS**

Mr. Schofield introduced the item.

Ms. Paulette Edwards, Community Services Director, stated the Village of Wellington is proud to be the home of eleven top performing Palm Beach County public schools. She said these schools play a major role in making and keeping Wellington a great hometown. She indicated that in 2011, Wellington implemented a student enrichment program providing \$5.00 per student for curriculum based materials. In 2012, Wellington implemented a reading challenge grant which funded a reading coach for each elementary school. In 2013, Wellington's Education Committee made a formal request to Council to fund a grant to assist students within the lower 25% in reading and math for all eleven area schools.

Ms. Edwards stated Council renamed the grant after Keely Spinelli to honor the late Binks Forest Elementary Principal, as she was a beloved educator and a champion of all students. She said funding for the grant was included in the 2013-2014 budget in the amount of \$275,000 to provide \$25,000 to each school. She explained the Keely Spinelli Grant was formulated and designed to be used for programs, instructional materials, and/or equipment for students within the lowest 25% in reading and math.

Ms. Edwards indicated that in fiscal year 2016-2017, this Council increased the budget to \$297,000, which provided a maximum \$27,000 per school. She stated the Village Council stays committed to supporting the schools and ensuring that all Wellington area students have the tools necessary to succeed. She said in this year's budget for 2017-2018, Council has once again approved \$297,000.

Ms. Edwards stated that at the August 29, 2017 Education Committee Meeting, the principals from each school presented their grant applications. She said, based on each school's request, over 2,700 area students will receive much needed math and reading support. She indicated a representative from each school is present to receive their grant check.

Ms. Edwards introduced Wellington's Education Committee Chair, John Webber. Mr. Webber stated it was wonderful to see the schools come up with unique programs to help benefit the students within the lowest 25%, which benefits the entire school. He said every school has their own unique challenge, which all of the principals have addressed. On behalf of the Education Committee, he thanked the Council for continuing to fund this program and urged them to continue it next year at whatever higher amount Council would like to set. He stated the Education Committee is there to advocate for the schools and the children, which benefits everyone. He thanked all of the principals for being there, for all of their hard work, and for putting together the applications.

Mayor Gerwig stated the Education Committee did a great job reviewing the applications and looking for the required criteria. She said she appreciated all of the work done by the committee, especially in honoring the high performing teachers. She explained many of their teachers will never be considered high performing because some classes do not meet the required criteria, but it does not mean they are not spectacular teachers.

Mr. Webber thanked the Village staff for making the Education Committee's job much easier and pointing out what needed to be done.

Mayor Gerwig explained how the Keely Spinelli Grant came about to meet the needs of the students within the lowest 25%. She stated if the Village met the criteria for having free and reduced lunch and other things, Wellington would receive extra money from the school district. In realizing the Village was not going to get that extra money, this Council interjected into the conversation saying they wanted to meet the needs of all their children, including the low

performing students in high performing schools without those services. She said Keely Spinelli's heart was always for the struggling readers, as she made everything exciting and fun about reading. Mayor Gerwig thought this grant was a great way to honor Ms. Spinelli and her family, and the legacy she left in Wellington.

Council commented on how important it is to their community to invest in their schools, teachers and students. They stated they were very proud to be a part of this Council and to present these grant checks to the principals of these schools. Council thanked everyone for their efforts.

Ms. Edwards introduced Dr. David Christiansen, Deputy Superintendent and Chief of Schools for the School District of Palm Beach County. Dr. Christiansen stated it was an honor to be there on behalf of Dr. Avossa and the School Board. Dr. Christiansen thought it is wise to invest in their struggling readers and struggling mathematicians as well as the educators who make the effort to improve. He said these eleven outstanding principals would bring back a return on this investment. He thanked the Council for having this kind of vision.

Dr. Christiansen recognized the high performing schools and high performing principals in attendance. He indicated the Village has set an example for the other 38 municipalities, as the School Board is going to present this idea to them. He stated Marcia Andrews knew Keely Spinelli personally. He thanked Ms. Andrews for her leadership. He said two of the instructional superintendents, Ed Tierney (secondary) and Vivian Green (elementary), work directly in support of the principals in Wellington and work hard to be active in those schools on a weekly basis. He introduced Darren Edgecomb, Principal of Palm Beach Central High School and Mario Crocetti, Principal of Wellington High School.

Dr. Christiansen indicated the middle schools have shown through data that last year they did very well with the students in the lower 25% compared to similar schools across the state. He stated the middle school principals include Ann Clark, Polo Park; Blake Bennett, Wellington Landings; and Eugina Feaman, Emerald Cove. He also introduced the elementary school principals: Michella Levy, Binks Forest; Maria Vaughan, Wellington Elementary; Betsy Cardozo, New Horizons; Gail Pasterczyk, Elbridge Gale; Michele Johnson, Equestrian Trails; and Edilia De La Vega, Panther Run.

Council distributed the grant checks to the principals of the eleven schools as indicated above.

**B.        17-1575/        HURRICANE DEBRIS UPDATE, RATIFICATION OF EXPENDITURES**  
**17-1646        FOR EMERGENCY DEBRIS PICKUP AND DISPOSAL (17-1575), AND**  
**AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD EMERGENCY CONTRACTS FOR**  
**DEBRIS REMOVAL (17-1646)**

Mr. Schofield introduced the item.

Mayor Gerwig indicated Stephanie Mitrione with Florida Power & Light (FPL) was out of town, so Sophia Ecclestone called her. She stated if the Village wants to do a post Irma wrap-up session with FPL, they will come present their efforts to the Village. Mayor Gerwig thought most of FPL's efforts were very heroic, but the communication could have been better. Mr. Barnes said Village staff would coordinate with Ms. Mitrione on her availability for an After Action Report.

Mr. Barnes stated this agenda item follows up their discussion at the Agenda Review on Friday.

He said staff will review the status of the debris collection as well as the ratification for Tag Grinding that was pulled as part of the agenda modification.

Mr. Barnes stated it was discussed at the Agenda Review where the Village had completed first pass and where it was in progress. He said due to an exceptionally productive weekend and a lot of cooperation from the residents, everything in green on the map has had a second pass completed and everything in blue has a second pass in progress. He indicated the Village received the Right of Egress agreement from Monterey on the Lake and first pass is being done in there today. He stated the only outstanding Right of Egress agreement is with Wellington Equestrian Club, although the Village did pick up debris in that development. He said they have gone back and forth on correcting some of the other agreements, but the Village now has the right information.

Mr. Barnes reported that about 75% of the community has been completed with a second pass. He stated on first pass they picked up strictly vegetative debris - no mixed debris, no bagged debris, and no bagged material, even if it was vegetative. He said on second pass, they are picking up basically everything else - mixed debris, vegetative bagged, construction/demolition debris, hurricane related bulk, and, in some cases, other bulk material.

Mr. Barnes stated, pursuant to FEMA guidelines, they have an opportunity to do a third pass. He said staff will be revisiting the challenges of that third pass and will try to maximize the benefit to all of the residents in the communities in terms of being able to pick up as much debris as possible within that timeframe. He indicated some communities had considerable vegetative damage that may not be totally picked up or totally prepared for the Village to pick up within the timeframe of the third pass. He said they will discuss the options for the different communities to see how to better handle and maximize the assistance the Village can lend through the FEMA program.

Mr. Barnes stated the schedule for the balance of the second pass as well as an updated map will be posted tomorrow. He noted staff and the contractor did an amazing job over the weekend to get where they are today.

Mr. Barnes showed a brief video depicting the types of debris piles being picked up in the Village and the mulching operation at the Greenbriar Park facility, as well as some canal sections where there have been no vegetation issues. He stated successive videos and photos indicate where canals might have been obstructed and locations where there were greater obstructions, due to material within the right-of-way, edge of water area, as well as material that fell during the storm from the winds and storm conditions.

Mr. Barnes indicated, in addition to the ratification of invoices for Tag Grinding, Council will see a contract with Aquarius Recycling, which is where the mulched material will be taken. He stated as the Village continues to pick up greater volumes of mixed debris and construction/demolition debris that will go to Aquarius Recycling as well. He said Council will also see a contract with Murray Logan Construction to address the 23 locations where staff has identified waterway issues related to storm vegetative debris.

Mayor Gerwig asked if the Village would be able to ask FEMA for reimbursement for this. Mr. Barnes stated that was staff's intent. He said they are presenting the item to Council now, so the Village is within FEMA's reimbursement period. He explained the Village has to go through some steps, such as requesting funds from the National Resource Conservation Service (NRCS), which normally funds hazard mitigation type projects related to waterways and

normally declines this type of work. But once the Village has the denial from NRCS, it can apply for FEMA funding.

Mayor Gerwig understood the Village was moving as fast as they can. Mr. Barnes stated they were going through the different required processes to ensure the Village maximizes its ability to recoup as much federal funding as possible.

Councilman Drahos asked if the Village was making efforts to contact the people who have downed trees in their backyards that need to be removed from the canals. Mr. Barnes indicated they will make contact with them one way or the other. He said staff usually knocks on the resident's door, if they are local, to explain the process to them.

Vice Mayor McGovern asked if they were talking about trees in the Village right-of-way that are now blocking waterways/canals. Mr. Barnes stated that was correct. He explained there are varying levels of obstruction, so it is a question of how much work will be required from by land and by water. He said based on the volume of material there, most of it will have to happen by water due to the limited access/availability from the street or resident's property. He stated it will be done on a case-by-case basis and in conjunction with the property owner, so they are advised as to what the Village will be doing at that location.

Mayor Gerwig indicated a tree right in front of a culvert on Big Blue is not obstructing at this point, but it could be. Mr. Barnes stated 23 locations would be prioritized for not only the greatest damage potential, but to maximize how much can be done at a single access point should they have to watch their schedule based on weather, etc.

Councilwoman Siskind understood it was considerably more expensive to gain access via the water, so they were doing as much on land as possible. Mr. Barnes stated that was correct. He explained they generally do not have access from every single home, as there may be fences, other improvements or other vegetation that is not damaged in the way. He said that precludes the equipment from navigating 25 or 40 feet from the edge of the water to the top of the bank.

Mayor Gerwig indicated some of the improvements are not permitted. Mr. Barnes agreed. He said they give everybody the benefit of the doubt that they went through the process, but there are some unpermitted structures and improvements out there. He stated that is the reason they need to gain access from the water, as the equipment needs to maneuver the entire length of the right-of-way.

Mayor Gerwig understood the Village has a 90-day clock for FEMA reimbursement. Mr. Barnes stated that was true to maximize the FEMA funding. He indicated some parts go beyond that, but staff's intent is to do it as quickly as possible to recoup as many funds as possible.

Mr. Barnes indicated item 6D, Ratification of Expenditures for Emergency Debris Pick-Up and Disposal, which Mr. Schofield moved from the Consent Agenda, was for the ratification or reconciliation of Tag Grinding's invoicing. Mr. De La Vega explained the original agenda item was seeking ratification of \$1 million to Tag Grinding for debris pick-up. He indicated staff just reran the numbers and the Village is closer to \$2 million in debris expenses with Tag Grinding. He stated staff consulted with Mr. Schofield and decided it was appropriate to ask for ratification of \$2 million as opposed to \$1 million. He said this would allow the Village to continue with its debris collection, as it has increased significantly within the last couple of days to 157,000 cubic yards.

Vice Mayor McGovern asked where the Village was in cubic yards when they were at \$1 million. Mr. Barnes stated staff initially asked for \$1 million, so they could encumber Tag Grinding to secure their services. He indicated, as Mr. Schofield has said in the past, the estimate for the total cost or effort of this project could be about \$5 million or even \$7 - \$7.5 million. He explained, subsequent to that, staff brought Council a ratification/reconciliation for approximately \$300,000. He stated today they were bringing Council what staff had billed in that successive period, which was around \$500,000 to \$600,000. However, in that time, the Village has not only completed 98-99% of the first pass and 75% of the second pass, but they are now also incurring different costs in addition to just the vegetative debris collection. He said they have disposal, as well as disposal of the construction/demolition debris and mixed debris. He stated staff thought it was prudent to reflect a more accurate number rather than return one week later to ask for more.

Mr. Barnes indicated staff would like to contract with a recycling facility that will accept the debris as well as contract with Murray Logan Construction to handle the waterside waterway debris removal they spoke of earlier.

Councilman Drahos asked if the Village was being charged based on the cubic yards of debris being picked up. He also asked how the Village was auditing the fees to ensure they are accurate. Mr. Barnes stated it was a painstaking process, as they have to satisfy the Village's finance department as well as meet the federal government requirements for reimbursement. He explained Village employees are traveling with the outside contractors as monitors to ensure the debris is being picked up from the appropriate areas and to verify the volume.

Mr. Barnes stated the Greenbriar Dog Park is equivalent to what is happening at the county debris site should the Village choose to dump at 20-Mile Bend. He said a Village staff member in a lift looks into the truck's container to verify the volume. He indicated it is rare for anyone to get credited for an entire volume of the cubic yardage. He explained the trucks get certified and receive a plaque after going through a process to get documented as a debris contractor or subcontractor. He said the cubic volume capacity of their equipment is documented as part of that plaque. He stated a staff member at the ground level writes a multipart ticket, so everyone can correlate and check the numbers. He said the driver gets a copy to prove he delivered it, the contractor gets a copy to get paid for it, and the Village gets a copy.

Vice Mayor McGovern asked if this system was required by FEMA and if the Village has used it in the past. Mr. Barnes stated that was correct and noted the Village is fully compliant with the requirements.

Vice Mayor McGovern asked about the Village's previous labor rate or ratio of reimbursement. Mr. Barnes stated with Francis, Jean and Wilma, the Village did not have any filed claims rescinded. He said, as Mr. De La Vega mentioned, some claims from Wilma were just recently closed. He indicated over time FEMA has required different communities to pay back unfounded claims that were not ultimately justified via the paperwork and audit trail process. He noted the Village has not had to return any requested funds to FEMA.

Mr. Schofield explained the reimbursement rate from FEMA was based on the timeframe for debris. He said within the first 90 days, the Village will get reimbursed 75% from the federal government and 12.5% from the state. He stated the President issued an order for Hurricane Irma saying the first 90 days will be federally reimbursed at 90%. Mr. Schofield indicated the reimbursement rate drops off, but on average the Village is getting better than 85% reimbursement. He stated it generally takes three to four years to receive such reimbursement,

but some storms have taken as long twelve years to get closed out.

Mayor Gerwig understood Village insurance covered some things and FEMA covered the rest. Mr. Schofield explained FEMA will not provide reimbursement for anything that is supposed to be covered by insurance. He stated there will be a protracted argument with the Village's insurer over what is an insurable loss and a discussion over several years with FEMA to close it out. He thought the Village's total reimbursement should be in the 85+% range, by the time it is all is said and done. He said the further away from a storm they get, the reimbursement rates drop.

Councilman Napoleone stated this is such a time consuming process, because the Village has to document every step and account for every pick up to ensure they receive the maximum reimbursement. He said they have picked up approximately three years of debris within one month and the total expense could reach \$7 million. He indicated the Village and its communities have jumped through hoops to get the debris taken care of as fast as possible while keeping the expense to the residents as low as possible. He thought the Village had done this amazingly complicated task really quickly.

Mr. Barnes stated staff was originally seeking \$1 million to get Tag Grinding into Wellington. He said they are now talking to Council about bigger numbers, because they are going substantially faster than originally estimated. He indicated they are now just under \$2.5 million in total expenses. He stated staff also has two estimates for the canal work. One estimate is for \$1.2 million and the other is for \$768,000. He said \$768,000 would put them at about \$3.2 million and staff will ask for a contingency on that. Mr. Barnes further stated it would cost about \$300,000 to dispose of the chipping at Aquarius Recycling.

Mr. Schofield indicated that would put them over \$3.5 million. He stated there are still some unknowns with the canals. He thought ultimately the Village would be between \$4 and \$5 million. He said the worst upside number staff could think of was \$7.5 million, but they did not think they would get there.

Mr. Schofield explained how the Village has the money to pay for the expenses of Hurricane Irma. He said they have \$3 million in the disaster recovery fund and available funds in the solid waste reserve to pay for the balance. He stated they were not taking funds out of regular operating reserves, as they will recover the money and put it back into those reserve funds.

Mr. Schofield further explained the Councils have been very prudent about planning and making sure there is money for when these types of events occur. He stated other projects are not going to stop because of these expenses, as the Village will use specifically dedicated reserves. He said, over time, the Village will put that money back and budget for it. He stated he wanted to make sure the residents knew this.

Mr. Schofield mentioned he received an e-mail stating the resident wanted their bulk picked up on their regular day. He indicated the Village was not back to the point where they could do that. He stated they are doing bulk pick-ups but not on the regular routes the residents are used to. He thought within about sixty (60) days, the Village would be back to normal collections.

Mr. Schofield indicated the Village had 200,000 yards, which is almost five years of debris. He stated they have picked up just piles of vegetation. He said if the residents have mixed piles with vegetation, bulk goods or trash in it, it will not be picked up until the very end.

Mr. Schofield stated it is a month past the storm, so any large piles with green vegetation is not storm damage but people just clearing out their lot. He said they were getting to the point where this can no longer happen. He asked that the residents not have their landscapers clear their properties until the Village is back on its regular schedule.

Mayor Gerwig indicated it has taken residents this long to get the trees cut that are downed in their backyards and get them out front. Mr. Schofield stated he did not disagree with that, but they could see where the Village has cleared the neighborhoods that additional large piles are out there. He said with some of the larger gated communities, by the time the Village is done with the third pass, they will be done clearing and bringing the vegetation out. He noted the Village will make arrangements to continue to work with those communities, as there is an extended process under FEMA to do that.

Mayor Gerwig stated at the grand opening of the Green Market, residents thanked her as they were very happy with how Wellington handled the crisis of the hurricane itself, the wind damage, and especially the cleanup. She said she knows the Village receives e-mails from people who are unhappy, but in general she is getting very good feedback from the residents who are happy with the response the Village has provided. She stated she is personally happy, because she is amazed at what has happened so quickly. Mr. Barnes stated staff and the other departments that have been working with Public Works have done a great job, as has the contractor.

Councilman Drahos stated Mr. Barnes has been doing a great job as well, as he has been fielding the complaints and doing it very professionally. He said there have been a lot of compliments for Mr. Barnes as well.

Vice Mayor McGovern stated in a message that was sent out to all of the residents of his community, it thanked Assistant Village Manager Barnes and his team for a superb job to expedite removal.

Mr. Schofield stated the Village is significantly further along, because of the work Mr. Barnes has been willing to do. He said Mr. Barnes jokes about sitting in the office and making phone calls, but he is not just sitting in the office. Mr. Schofield stated Mr. Barnes is out at the debris site and with the construction crews every day, and half of the calls he makes to the residents are from his cell phone. He said Mr. Barnes has done an exemplary job and it should not go unnoticed.

Mr. Barnes stated he hoped Council would approve the three items before them this evening. He said one item is the reconciliation of Tag Grinding and increasing it to \$2 million, so the Village could continue to finalize and encumber those funds. Mr. Schofield suggested it be increased to \$2.3 million, because that is where Village expenses are currently. He stated they were looking for \$768,000, plus the 20% contingency.

Vice Mayor McGovern understood, if they go up to \$2.3 million, their expectation would be to get approximately \$1.8+ million back. Mr. Schofield stated that was correct.

Councilman Drahos understood the funding for this was coming from reserves. Mr. Schofield stated that funds at this moment were only coming from the disaster recovery fund. He said if they have to go beyond that, they will go into the Solid Waste reserves, which are not part of the Village's normal operating reserves.

Mr. Barnes stated staff will come back to Council at a future date with an update or a complete



reconciliation of the entire Hurricane Irma expense and the appropriate resolutions for budget amendments to reflect those transfers from reserves. Vice Mayor McGovern indicated that should include what is going to insurance, FEMA, and whomever. Mr. Barnes said they will give Council an update on what would be submitted to FEMA, as far as requests based on the timeframes and when those costs were incurred, as well as any facility or structure damage that was incurred that would be going through the Village's insurance carrier.

Mr. Barnes stated they spoke briefly about the \$300,000 request for Aquarius Recycling for disposal. He explained it was for the material the Village picked up and hauled to Greenbriar Park. He said Tag Grinding is mulching that debris to reduce the volume of the larger branches, roots, trees, stumps, etc., and then it will be hauled to Aquarius Recycling where it will no longer be the Village's responsibility.

Mr. Barnes noted the Village was fortunate to have the Greenbriar Park site available to them, as it expedites their ability to pick-up and drop-off debris and get the trucks back on the road to pick up more debris. He explained if the trucks had to sit in traffic and sit in the wait line at the 20-Mile Bend site, it would reduce their ability to pick up more debris. He stated some communities are experiencing greater problems, because the 20-Mile Bend is a 10-15 mile drive and those communities do not have a local debris site.

Mayor Gerwig asked how much that was saving versus having it hauled to Solid Waste. Mr. Barnes stated taking the debris to the Greenbriar Park site basically saved them time. He said if they hauled it to Solid Waste, it would take the unmulched material.

Mayor Gerwig asked if they were paying the recycle place the same as if they had hauled it to 20-Mile Bend. Mr. Barnes stated it would not be the same. He said they would have hauled the debris to the 20-Mile Bend without chipping or mulching, so the cost there is the time driving to 20-Mile Bend and sitting in the wait line and not servicing the residents.

Mr. Schofield stated the Village would have been much further behind without the Greenbriar Park site. He said during the first couple of days, the Village was the only one hauling debris to the 20-Mile Bend, so they could quickly drop it off. He stated now the wait line can be pretty substantial for the trucks, as they wait for the monitors to check them. He said the trucks have been able to get through Greenbriar Park with speed, because the Village is processing them.

Mr. Barnes explained the Village took about 12,000 yards to the 20-Mile Bend during the first several days. He stated the Solid Waste Authority of Palm Beach County is seeking reimbursement for that material, so there is no additional cost incurred there. He said the Village will seek reimbursement for the material they are taking to Aquarius Recycling. He stated that was the tradeoff.

Mr. Barnes indicated it is a balancing act as well, because they are trying to keep the trucks moving while maximizing their efficiency, so the truckers can make their money. He said if they find another place where they can move material faster, they will go there. He stated he was happy to report they have not lost any trucks, because staff has been managing it pretty well. He said this was one reason staff made those decisions.

Mr. Barnes stated the other material they will be paying for is the mixed debris and construction / demolition debris that goes straight to Aquarius Recycling pursuant to the Solid Waste Authority requirements. He said none of that hits the ground in Wellington or stops at Greenbriar Park.

Councilman Napoleone stated to highlight the speed at which the Village has moved, it was said they have picked up 157,000 cubic yards of debris as of yesterday. He said he saw in the Palm Beach Post today that Palm Beach Gardens was almost done, but they only picked up about 60,000 cubic yards. He stated Wellington has done almost three times the volume, so it has taken a long time to get there. But they did it in an amazingly fast pace, thanks to the way staff coordinated the entire effort.

Mr. Barnes noted staff was dealing with half as many trucks as they did with Wilma. He indicated at the peak of Wilma's recovery the Village was running about 42 to 46 trucks per day and with Irma's recovery they are running 20 to 22 trucks.

Councilman Drahos asked about the Murray Logan contract, as it is about \$500,000 less than Tag Grinding, plus they have a 20% contingency. Mr. Barnes stated the Village put that contingency in there for unforeseen conditions. He said staff looked at the 23 sites together with the contractor by boat, walked around, whatever they had to do. He explained if they pull out a piece of debris, vegetation, tree stump, etc., they are not sure what else will be required to come out. He stated rather than assume a hard number, staff thought it was best to put in the contingency. He said technically, if they have an unforeseen condition, the Village wants to work in partnership with the contractor. He indicated staff will govern the contingency, as it is not owned by the contractors, and decide if there is an appropriate change due to unforeseen conditions.

Councilman Drahos stated the point was that the contractors cannot exceed \$921,600 on the contract. Mr. Barnes indicated that was correct.

Councilman Drahos asked if there was a timeframe to complete this work within. Mr. Barnes stated once the Village gives the contractor the go ahead, they will take about three or four days to mobilize and one week before a barge is in the water. He said the contractors make money the sooner they get out of a project, so he believed they would want to get out of there quickly. He indicated staff believes it is about a thirty (30) day effort to just get the material out. He stated the Village still has to dispose of that material the way they do other debris material. He said at that point, staff will decide whether to have it stop at Greenbriar Park or go directly to the Solid Waste Authority.

Councilman Drahos asked if they were completely removing the stumps out of the ground or just slicing them and moving on. Mr. Barnes stated in some cases, due to the size of the material, they might get it flush to the ground and then stump grind the rest. He said once the contractor leaves, the Village will do the appropriate restoration they normally do anytime there is hazard mitigation, tree removal or slope and bank rehabilitation projects. He stated it would be case-by-case, depending on the size of the material coming out. He said they will try to do the work with as little disruption as possible to the rest of the area around it.

Mayor Gerwig asked if anyone from the public wanted to speak on this item. No one from the public indicated they wanted to speak.

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor McGovern, seconded by Councilman Napoleone, and unanimously passed (5-0), to approve file no. 17-1575, Ratification of Expenditures for Emergency Debris Pickup and Disposal, in an amount not to exceed \$2.3 million to Tag Grinding Services for debris removal.**

**A motion was made by Councilwoman Siskind, seconded by Councilman Drahos, and unanimously passed (5-0), to approve the Authorization to Award Emergency Contracts for Debris Removal, file no. 17-1646, version 1, for Murray Logan and Aquarius Recycling.**

**6. CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. 17-1581** MINUTES OF THE REGULAR WELLINGTON VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 12, 2017
- B. 17-1231** AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A SOLE SOURCE AGREEMENT FOR DIGITAL COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNICATION ARCHIVING SERVICES
- C. ~~17-1510~~** ~~AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD A CONTRACT FOR THE PATRIOT MEMORIAL TRELLIS STRUCTURAL REPAIRS (THIS ITEM WAS WITHDRAWN.)~~
- D. ~~17-1575~~** ~~RATIFICATION OF EXPENDITURES FOR EMERGENCY DEBRIS PICKUP AND DISPOSAL (MOVED TO PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS AS ITEM 5B.)~~
- E. 17-1539** RESOLUTION NO. R2017-52 (WELLINGTON SENIORS CLUB AGREEMENT): A RESOLUTION OF WELLINGTON, FLORIDA'S COUNCIL APPROVING A CONTRACT FOR SENIOR CITIZENS SERVICES BETWEEN WELLINGTON AND THE WELLINGTON SENIORS CLUB, INC.; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
- F. 17-1602** RESOLUTION NO. R2017-53 (AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF THE PARK-N-RIDE CIVIC SITE TO BIRCH DEVELOPMENT, LTD, AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF THE PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT): A RESOLUTION OF WELLINGTON'S COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF THE REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AS THE WELLINGTON GREEN CIVIC TRACT A/K/A THE "PARK AND RIDE" PROPERTY TO BIRCH DEVELOPMENT, LTD; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR VICE MAYOR AND THE VILLAGE CLERK TO EXECUTE THE PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT AND TO EXECUTE ALL OTHER DOCUMENTS INCIDENT TO CLOSING; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mr. Schofield stated staff recommended adoption of the Consent Agenda as amended.

**A motion was made by Councilman Napoleone, seconded by Councilman Drahos, and unanimously passed (5-0), to approve the Consent Agenda as amended.**

Mr. Schofield indicated no comment cards were received from the public for the Consent Agenda or any other item on the agenda.

**7. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- A. 17-1545** ORDINANCE NO. 2017-20 (FY 2017/2018 ANNUAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ELEMENT UPDATE OF WELLINGTON'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN): AN ORDINANCE OF WELLINGTON, FLORIDA'S COUNCIL UPDATING THE WELLINGTON COMPREHENSIVE PLAN BY INCORPORATING THE ANNUAL REVIEW AND REVISIONS TO THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

ELEMENT TO REFLECT THE 2017/2018 THROUGH 2022/2023 FIVE YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN FOR LEVEL OF SERVICE PROJECTS; AND UPDATING THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PALM BEACH COUNTY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT SCHEDULE; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT AND SEVERABILITY; AUTHORIZING THE MANAGER TO UPDATE THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mr. Schofield introduced the item. He stated it is a state requirement for the Village to adopt the School District's capital improvement plan into the Village's capital improvement element. He said it is not fiscally changing the budget Council approved last month.

Mr. Basehart stated this is a reporting requirement that the Village does every year and this year is no different. He said the amendment to the Comprehensive Plan involves the capital improvement program for both the Village and the School Board.

Mayor Gerwig stated the point is that the capital improvement plans have to be combined somehow, and this is where the state has required them to be combined.

#### Public Hearing

A motion was made by Councilman Napoleone, seconded by Vice Mayor McGovern, and unanimously passed (5-0), to open the Public Hearing.

There being no public comments, a motion was made by Councilwoman Siskind, seconded by Vice Mayor McGovern, and unanimously passed (5-0), to close the Public Hearing.

Ms. Nubin read the Ordinance by title.

**A motion was made by Councilman Napoleone, seconded by Councilwoman Siskind, and unanimously passed (5-0), to approve Ordinance No. 2017-20, (FY 2017/2018 Annual Capital Improvement Element Update of Wellington's Comprehensive Plan) as presented.**

**B. 17-1476** RESOLUTION NO. R2017-44 (WELLINGTON ELDER CARE 2 CONDITIONAL USE): A RESOLUTION OF WELLINGTON, FLORIDA'S COUNCIL APPROVING A CONDITIONAL USE [PETITION NUMBER 17-92 (2017-52 CU 1)] TO ALLOW A TYPE 2(B) CONGREGATE LIVING FACILITY IN A PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT ZONING DISTRICT SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL FOR CERTAIN PROPERTY KNOWN AS WELLINGTON ELDER CARE 2; CONSISTING OF 0.34 ACRE, MORE OR LESS, LOCATED AT 14115 LILY COURT; AS MORE SPECIFICALLY DESCRIBED HEREIN; PROVIDING A CONFLICTS CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mr. Schofield introduced the item. Ms. Nubin read the Resolution by title.

Ms. Cohen administered the oath to those individuals who intended to speak on this item.

#### Ex-parte Communications

**Councilman Napoleone:** Councilman Napoleone disclosed he spoke with Mr. Geoff Sluggett about something else, but this item came up for about three seconds.

**Councilman Drahos:** Councilman Drahos disclosed he had brief conversation over the phone with Mr. Sluggett for about five minutes in total, as a reminder that this item was coming up on the agenda. He stated he toured Mr. Sluggett's facility as well, but it was not regarding this item.

**Mayor Gerwig:** Mayor Gerwig disclosed that the representative, Mr. Sluggett, contacted her and asked if she had any questions. She said she told him she had no questions and that was the extent of the conversation. She indicated she toured Mr. Sluggett's facility.

**Vice Mayor McGovern:** Vice Mayor McGovern disclosed he had some conversations, one or two, with Mr. Sluggett, that were very brief. He also believed that some time ago, he toured the facility as it currently exists.

**Councilwoman Siskind:** Councilwoman Siskind stated she also toured the facility a while ago and spoke with Mr. Sluggett on the phone very briefly.

Mayor Gerwig asked if the Council members felt they could be fair about this matter. The Council members stated they could be fair.

Mr. Basehart stated the applicant would give their PowerPoint presentation and staff was not going to give theirs, unless Council wanted to see two similar presentations. He indicated this is a conditional use application to allow a type 2(B) congregate living facility. He stated type 2(B) facilities are limited to seniors and a maximum of 21 tenants. He said it is the only classification of congregate living facilities that the Village has that is exclusively for seniors.

Mr. Basehart stated the property is located at 14114 Lilly Court, which is next door to the applicant's existing facility. He said this will be a companion facility, but they will not be combined. He indicated the other facility was approved three or four years ago and has caused no problems for the Village. He explained the facility allows people to go into a quality, family oriented type of environment and stay near their families and friends in Wellington. He said it has been a wonderful facility that provides a tremendous service for the community. He stated it cannot be expanded because of the limitation in the code, so the next best solution is to have a facility just like it next door. He said it will be a conversion of an existing quadraplex, four unit, multifamily structure.

Mr. Basehart stated he would like the Village file on this matter to be entered into the record, so that it is part of the record. He noted the application complies with all of the provisions of the Land Development Requirements and no variances are being requested.

Mr. Basehart indicated the code states that type 2(A), 2(B) and 2(C) congregate living facilities are supposed to be 500 feet from a residential district, unless approved by the Village Council. He stated this particular building is about 300 feet from a single family residential district, but since it is limited to elderly care and there are two multifamily structures in between the single family neighborhood and this facility, staff does not think it is an issue. He said, as part of Council's approval, staff suggests that Council note they are allowing this to be less than 500 feet from a single family district.

Mr. Basehart stated the application was heard by the Planning, Zoning, and Adjustment Board (PZAB) and it was approved unanimously. He indicated there are nine (9) conditions of approval, which he believed the applicant has agreed to in their entirety.

Councilman Drahos asked if there have been any complaints or objections from any residents. Mr. Basehart stated the Village has not received any letters, phone calls or e-mails and no one showed up at the PZAB hearing to object.

Mr. Damian Brink with Schmidt Nichols introduced himself for the record. He stated he was representing the applicant and owner.

Mr. Brink stated this site specific conditional use is related to the text amendment this Council heard in May 2017 to allow the type 2(B). He said there was no 1,000 foot rule, which allows this facility to be next door to the existing Wellington Elder Care facility.

Mr. Brink stated they were saddened to hear of the deaths at a facility in Hollywood Hills after Hurricane Irma. He explained Wellington Elder Care was very proactive and implemented their emergency plan. He said they had four generators on site, which allowed for a smooth transition to backup power with no issues resulting. He indicated after the Governor mandated backup generators, Wellington Elder Care was once again proactive. He stated they have already executed a contract with APS (Assurance Power Systems) to permanently install full backup power onsite, as well as a backup fuel source, at the existing facility and proposed facility.

Mayor Gerwig asked what Wellington Elder Care was able to power during Hurricane Irma. Mr. Brink stated they had four mobile generators, so they were able to power the entire facility and keep it air conditioned. He indicated the Governor's new law states that the temperature must stay below 80 degrees. He said Wellington Elder Care was able to keep the air conditioning running as normal. He stated some of the residents hardly knew there was a storm. He thought that showed Wellington Elder Care's commitment to the health, safety and welfare of their residents.

Mr. Brink indicated Wellington Elder Care has over fifty (50) residents on the waiting list and they give tours of the facility every week. He stated they think there is a great need for this service in the community. He said most of the potential residents are from the Village of Wellington.

Mr. Brink noted the facility meets both the Comprehensive Plan and Land Development Regulations. He stated the applicant has agreed to all of the conditions of approvals.

Councilman Napoleone believed when Council passed the text amendment earlier this year, they knew this application was coming and vetted this applicant at the time. He stated they need this type of a facility in Wellington and, more importantly, they want these kind of people to run such a facility in Wellington. He said it provides a tremendous service to their residents and they do it the right way. He thought the fact that Wellington Elder Care had generators before the Governor made it a mandate, showed that the owners/operators cared about the people in their facilities. Councilman Napoleone stated he fully supported this Resolution.

Mr. Brink reminded Council about the people who came out in support of Wellington Elder Care on the evening of the text amendment. He stated those same people are still in support.

Vice Mayor McGovern stated this item went to Planning and Zoning and passed unanimously. Mr. Basehart indicated that was correct.

Vice Mayor McGovern stated when he toured the existing facility and the proposed facility, it was said that the facilities would be operated separately. Mr. Basehart explained both facilities will be operated by the same people, as they will be companion facilities, but it will not be a single 42-patient facility. He stated there will be two 21-patient facilities.

Vice Mayor McGovern asked if there will be walkways, congregate spaces, and shared spaces between the two facilities. Mr. Brink stated there will be access between them and some shared staff, but they will operate as two independent facilities.

Vice Mayor McGovern asked if the residents from one facility will be comingling with the residents at the other facility. Mr. Brink stated there may be times where they will have events together, but on the books they are going to be two separate facilities.

Vice Mayor McGovern stated he was trying to understand “on the books,” and if they were going to be operated differently or operated as two separate and distinct facilities. Mr. Brink indicated they will be operated as two separate and distinct facilities. He stated each facility could stand alone if something were to happen to the other facility, but they are going to operate together.

Vice Mayor McGovern asked if the business model, standard of care and level of staffing would be the same for each. Mr. Brink stated that was correct, as it is all governed by the American Health Care Association (AHCA) and the state.

Mayor Gerwig asked if there had been any substandard reports from AHCA or the like. Mr. Brink stated during a storm or an event, the facility is in constant contact with AHCA, which is standard operating procedure.

Councilman Drahos hoped that Wellington Elder Care 2 is as successful as Wellington Elder Care 1. He said these applicants provide a gold standard service and there is a tremendous need for this service in their community. He stated he was very happy to support this Resolution. He wished Wellington Elder Care the best and hoped they would become an even bigger success.

Councilwoman Siskind stated it is a very loving environment at Wellington Elder Care and Wellington needs more places like this. She thanked Wellington Elder Care for providing that level of service to their residents. She wished them well.

### Public Hearing

A motion was made by Vice Mayor McGovern, seconded by Councilman Drahos, and unanimously passed (5-0), to open the Public Hearing.

There being no public comments, a motion was made by Vice Mayor McGovern, seconded by Councilman Drahos, and unanimously passed (5-0), to close the Public Hearing.

Mayor Gerwig stated Wellington Elder Care has been very impressive and the Village does see an increased need for the residents to have their loved ones close by. She said that has been a convenience factor, which is why the support has been overwhelming for this facility. She stated family members are able to visit their loved ones, check on them every day or on

occasion, and eat together. She said it has been one of those things they did not see coming. She thanked the owners/operators of Wellington Elder Care for providing this service in their community.

**A motion was made by Councilman Drahos, seconded by Councilwoman Siskind, and unanimously passed (5-0) to approve Resolution No. R2017-44 (Wellington Elder Care 2 Conditional Use).**

## **8. REGULAR AGENDA**

There were no Regular Agenda items.

## **9. PUBLIC FORUM**

Mr. Schofield indicated one comment card was received from the public.

1. Richard Cybul, 1726 Farmington Circle, Wellington. Mr. Cybul estimated the potable water usage in the Village was about 1,000 gallons per person per month at the residential level. He said most residents used the water for cooking, cleaning, washing, etc. He believed only a tenth of the water was being consumed for drinking water, as many of the residents drink bottled water. Thus, he thought it was wasteful for the Village to pay to add fluoride to their potable water. He believed the Village could provide better protection at a lower cost, by giving fluoride toothpaste to those residents who want it. He said fluoride is in contact with the teeth much longer when brushing than when just sipping water.

## **10. ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

**MS. COHEN:** Ms. Cohen presented the following report:

- She stated the Village received the Order of Dismissal in the Florida Municipal Insurance Trust (FMIT) case today, so it is now formally concluded. She noted the dismissal is with prejudice. She indicated the Village expects full reimbursement of the bills that have been submitted to FMIT.
- She stated the Village received a Summary Judgement in favor of the Village in the enforcement case and are awaiting final judgement. She said both sides have submitted their proposed orders but have not yet received anything.
- She indicated she will be attending a conference October 14<sup>th</sup> -18<sup>th</sup>. In her absence, she will have her phone and iPad, but Mr. Dunlap and Ms. Pisz will be available to them as well.
- She noted, due to the hurricane debris monitoring the Code Enforcement staff is doing, this month's Code Enforcement hearings will be cancelled again. Mayor Gerwig understood the Village reassigned people to perform different duties for efficiency, which is delaying Code Enforcement. Mr. Schofield stated the Village was not going to be citing people for vegetation or dirty driveways during the cleanup period.

Vice Mayor McGovern asked what the process was for getting the final judgement in the enforcement case. Ms. Cohen stated the Village has submitted their proposed orders, so they are just waiting. She said she would check to see if a hearing has been scheduled.

## **11. MANAGER'S REPORT**



**MR. SCHOFIELD:** Mr. Schofield presented the following report:

- The next Regular Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 24, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.
- He indicated a request was received from the Sports Commission to use the Village sound stage at the Field Hockey Festival. He stated staff has approved that use at the Village's standard non-profit rates and is informing Council of such.

## **12. COUNCIL REPORTS**

**COUNCILWOMAN SISKIND:** Councilwoman Siskind presented the following report:

- She thought it was great having the Cub Scouts and the one Girl Scout/Brownie at Village Hall. She said the kids watched a video from the Florida League of Cities and asked some really good questions.
- She stated Palm Beach Central is having a Civics 101 meeting on October 17<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. at Village Hall, if anyone wants to come watch it. She indicated Wellington High School will be having a Civics 101 meeting on November 14<sup>th</sup>. She said she was happy to see these young people getting involved in their local government.
- She stated she rode her bike to the Green Market on opening day. She said it was fun and they had beautiful weather. She wished the Green Market great success.

**VICE MAYOR MCGOVERN:** Vice Mayor McGovern presented the following report:

- He stated he attended the Equestrian Preserve Committee meeting last week to announce his appointment of Kathleen Gannon-Ledsome to that board. He said she was in attendance that evening and participated in the meeting.
- He informed the residents that the Planning, Zoning and Adjustment Board (PZAB) meeting will occur in the Council Chambers tomorrow evening at 7:00 pm. He stated the Palm Beach Polo and Polo West items, the Flying Cow Road project, and the airport/housing development project will be on the agenda. He indicated information can be found on the Village website.
- He hoped everyone had their tickets for the Fall Festival at Village Park on Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup>. He said it is always a great event.

**COUNCILMAN DRAHOS:** Councilman Drahos presented the following report:

- He acknowledged and thanked the many residents who have written letters and e-mails to him personally concerning the pending Palm Beach Polo and Polo West issues. He stated he has not responded, because it is his policy not to engage publicly in issues that are going to be coming before him, particularly in instances where they have quasi-judicial proceedings. He said he has read every letter and e-mail. He stated his silence should not be taken that he has ignored or devalued them in some way.

He stated an issue is coming up with greater frequency, as he reads these letters and e-mails. He asked Ms. Cohen if this applicant had any pending code violations and, if so, why the Village is allowing this issue to proceed.

Ms. Cohen explained that the applicant or the entity owns many properties throughout the Village and probably has some outstanding code violations or fines on some of those

properties. She stated the provision in the Village code that permits staff to recommend or not process a development application based on outstanding violations only applies to the property for which they are applying for a development order. She noted the authority to move forward with an application or not is within the discretion of Mr. Basehart.

Ms. Cohen stated the second issue is the code provides that the applicant should be permitted to proceed if they are to correct the violation. She explained there is a new potential violation in this case and it is certainly not a violation as that term is used under the Village code. She said that provision requires a finding by a special magistrate of a violation.

Ms. Cohen stated there has been some tree removal in this case, which may be related to the hurricane and debris removal or just monitoring that situation. She said staff does not know for certain whether there is any kind of violation of Village code, but certainly there has been no finding by a special magistrate. She stated as to the property that is the subject of the application, there are no outstanding violations that would have warranted withholding or not processing the application.

Ms. Cohen explained that part of the application actually seeks to cure the violation that existed with respect to the weekly soccer matches. She said the applicant was required to apply for a special use permit and it was granted by the Village administratively. She stated as part of the long term cure, the applicant was encouraged to seek a master plan amendment to eliminate the need to come back for special use permits in the future. She indicated the special use permit that was granted is good for a year, but a notation in the permit states it will not be renewed and that the applicant has to apply for a master plan amendment. She said that is what is ultimately necessary for the applicant to continue to have that type of activity on the property.

Councilman Drahos recalled that two years ago there was an initiative or a proposal where an owner could not apply for any amendments on any other properties in Wellington if they had an open violation. He asked if that was in effect. Ms. Cohen explained when that provision was adopted by Council, it was revised so that it did not apply to all properties owned by the applicant.

Mayor Gerwig stated the discussion was that many times many partners are involved, so it can get difficult. She said if it goes with that one site, then it affects that one site. She stated that was the thinking at the time. She said Council can look at revising it in the future, but it becomes very problematic when looking at how it would play out.

Ms. Cohen stated it was a balance between the need to require compliance with Village code and the statutory requirement under which the Village processes development orders and applications. She said, in trying to strike that balance, Council limited the application of that provision to the property that was actually the subject of the violation.

**COUNCILMAN NAPOLEONE:** Councilman Napoleone indicated he had no report.

**MAYOR GERWIG:** Mayor Gerwig presented the following report:

- Mayor Gerwig stated she will miss the actual reading of Quackers, as she will be out of town. She said one of her fellow Council members will stand in for her. She stated she

was glad to attend the luncheon and thanked Councilwoman Siskind for joining her. She mentioned that Palm Beach County is reading A Man Called Ove. She said that she will pass the book around when she finishes it, so everyone will get a chance to read it.

- She indicated, due to the Governor's emergency ruling, children from Puerto Rico will be able to attend any school in Palm Beach County. She stated Eagle Arts Academy is inviting children and teachers from Puerto Rico to their school, because they have the capacity. She said Eagle Arts Academy is going out of their way to meet the needs of the community, so she wanted to give them credit for that. She hoped everyone could help. She mentioned she spoke with Mr. Barnes about the Village being a drop-off point for Puerto Rican relief. She said the City of Greenacres made a significant effort, but they had to get their gym back.

Mr. Barnes stated he spoke with Mr. Pagan and they have exchanged messages. He said while the Village can be a drop-off location, Mr. Pagan's particular need right now is transport. Mr. Barnes stated the Village cannot fulfill that need right now, due to the fact that staff is still busy with debris removal. He indicated Mr. Pagan was hoping for either transport to the port for a location and storage there or at an interim location here at the Industrial Park near Village Park. He said they do not have a location just yet, but he will get back in touch with Mr. Pagan to find out the next best step.

Mayor Gerwig stated if people are listening and want to help out, the Village needs transport help - people with trucks to pick up the donations and take them somewhere. She said she knows local businesses are offering warehouse space but not transport.

- She stated she will miss the Halloween Costume Contest on October 21<sup>st</sup>, as she is going to be out of town. She said the other Council members will have to judge the costumes without her.
- She hoped the Village was going to have some fun activities during City Government Week. She wanted the Village to submit Civics 101 as their City Government Week project.
- She indicated the Council could get government education packets from the Florida League of Cities for their schools. She said the packets include exercises for different ways to explain city government, a city government quiz, information about Tallahassee, etc. Councilman Napoleone noted the Education Committee Chair was sitting in the audience. Mayor Gerwig stated she would get with him. She thought it was a very interesting way to bring the city government level down to the kids, so they could understand it. She believed it would be very inexpensive to purchase the packets. She hoped they could make that part of their City Government Week and maybe cookies in the lobby on one day. Mr. Schofield stated they were going to auction off the Mayor for the day.

At this point, Councilwoman Siskind noted that the Dental Building for the Palm Beach State College at the Loxahatchee Campus passed 5-0.

### **13. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Village Council, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:49 PM.

**Approved:**

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**Anne Gerwig, Mayor**

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**Chevelle D. Nubin, Village Clerk**