

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE WELLINGTON VILLAGE COUNCIL

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

**Tuesday, November 26, 2019
7:00 PM**

Pursuant to the foregoing notice, a Regular Meeting of the Wellington Council was held on Tuesday, November 26, 2019, commencing at 7:00 PM at Wellington Village Hall, 12300 Forest Hill Boulevard, Wellington, FL 33414.

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

Council Members absent: Michael J. Napoleone, Vice Mayor.

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 PM.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Mayor Gerwig led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **INVOCATION** – Deacon Pete Del Valle, St. Therese de Lisieux Catholic Church, Wellington, delivered the Invocation.
4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mr. Schofield indicated staff recommended approval of the Agenda as presented.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Siskind, seconded by Councilman McGovern, and unanimously passed (4-0), to approve the Agenda as presented.

5. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

There were no Presentations and Proclamations.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. **19-3426** RESOLUTION NO. R2019-72 FOR LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE TOWN CENTER BOARDWALK AND RESOLUTION NO. R2019-73 FOR A BUDGET AMENDMENT TO ALLOCATE SAID GRANT RESOLUTION NO. R2019-72 (LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND)

A RESOLUTION OF WELLINGTON, FLORIDA'S COUNCIL TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING A GRANT UNDER PROVISIONS OF THE LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION PROGRAM FOR THE TOWN CENTER BOARDWALK PROJECT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-73 (FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION GRANT FUNDS)

A RESOLUTION OF WELLINGTON, FLORIDA'S COUNCIL AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020 SALES SURTAX CAPITAL FUND BUDGET FOR FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION GRANT FUNDS AWARDED FOR DEVELOPMENT OF THE TOWN CENTER BOARDWALK PROJECT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mr. Schofield indicated no public comment cards were received on the Consent Agenda.

Mr. Schofield stated these resolutions accept the \$200,000 grant from the Florida Land and Water Conservation Program and amend the budget for the Town Center boardwalk project.

Council thanked Ms. Quickel her staff for finding and applying for this grant.

A motion was made by Councilman McGovern, seconded by Councilwoman Siskind, and unanimously passed (4-0), to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Mr. Schofield indicated no comment cards were received.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

There were no Public Hearings.

8. REGULAR AGENDA

A. 19-3431 CVS DISCUSSION

Mr. Schofield introduced the item.

Mr. Schofield stated two weeks ago Council discussed what to do regarding CVS. He said the Village received an application from the building owner today to demolish the building. He stated this is a voluntary demolition on the part of the property owner. He said staff believes it is the best solution. He stated staff can go through the presentation or accept the owner's decision.

Mayor Gerwig stated she has gone through this extensively with the Village building official. She said, knowing this was the owner's decision, she is fine with a discussion. She asked if everything was going to be demolished and if there was time for grassing the area. She asked for the plan at this point.

Mr. Jacek Tomasik, Building Official for the Village of Wellington, stated based on the latest meetings with the owner, contractor and developer who represents CVS, they decided to remove the building voluntarily. He said the discrepancy right now is if the entire building will be removed or if the foundation will remain. He stated the foundation can be saved, but it will require cutting around the whole building and removing the exterior walls. He said, upon receiving certification from the engineer and inspections, the foundation can be reused for the building as long as it does not get damaged during demolition. He stated the builders want to rebuild it immediately with no down time. He said they have already made plans and the application for demolition is already in. He stated they are just waiting for the detail to leave or remove the foundation. He said he expects the permit to be issued either tomorrow or over the holidays if need be, as demolition is set for Tuesday, December 3, 2019.

Mr. Schofield indicated the demolition is being done by the builders and not the Village.

Mayor Gerwig asked about the extra time Village staff has spent to review and deal with this situation. She asked if there was a way to recapture that from this project.

Mr. Tomasik indicated the Village has ways of allotting and applying additional review time to the new permit. He stated staff decided the current permit for CVS will be closed and a new permit will be issued. He said they will start fresh with new drawings, as the new engineer of record was fired.

Mayor Gerwig asked if the deficiencies that were noted in the plans themselves are being addressed by this new process. Mr. Tomasik said the new engineer will be reviewing the plans and addressing any deficiencies as needed.

Councilman Drahos thanked Mr. Tomasik and his staff for detecting the deficiencies. He said the building was dangerous and could not continue in its current function.

Councilman Drahos pointed out that the building is coming down but not permanently. He stated the Village was not able to stop this building from its first version of construction. He said the Village is in no different position the second time around. He stated the landowner is entitled to the build the building and intends to do so. He said this Council is powerless to stop it.

Mr. Schofield stated the location and size of the building has had a great deal of social media comment. He explained the approval for this project goes back to the late 1970's or early 1980's. He said no new square footage was approved with this building. He stated the owners have always had the right to build it. He said they are in compliance with the Master Plan and site plan. He indicated the total square footage for that site is significantly lower than what it was approved for. He said staff will re-permit it and Mr. Tomasik will look at the plans.

Mr. Schofield stated this is not something that will come to Council. He said the owners have had this right for very nearly 30 years. He stated, like any other municipality, the Village does not take away people's rights that have been vested, in this case for nearly three decades, because things change over time.

Mayor Gerwig questioned if the Village is able to diminish the impacts to the neighborhood. She thought if the glass panel is lit up with neon, the neighbors across the street would be on the phone.

Councilman McGovern stated the signage, lighting, and the like will go to the Architectural Review Board (ARB). Mr. Basehart said the signage and lighting went to ARB when the original building was started. He stated the owners are proposing to do what was approved originally. He said they are not changing the building.

Mayor Gerwig asked if the impacts to the neighborhood were considered by the ARB when the approval was given. Mr. Basehart stated he did not believe there was any discussion about the effect of the appearance of the building on the neighborhood. Mayor Gerwig requested that staff ask the developer, as the Village has been very accommodating. She stated she would like to see if the Village can get some type of concession for dimming.

Mayor Gerwig stated the demolition is going to take some time. She said if it comes down to the foundation itself, they should try to do it with as little impact as possible.

Councilwoman Siskind asked about the determining factor for making the decision on whether the foundation stays or goes. She said the Village does not want them to build on a foundation that has been damaged.

Mr. Tomasik stated he questioned if they were going to inspect it and test it through the engineer of record who designed it. He said the engineer is well aware of it. He stated he told the engineer that a lot of steel is coming out of the footers. Mr. Tomasik said the decision is still up in the air.

Mr. Schofield indicated the Village has retained a structural engineer to review these plans, as they do not have this specialty or expertise in their building or engineering department. He said they will be absolutely certain the foundation is solid before the building is put up.

Mr. Schofield stated once Boos Development Group got involved and understood what the Village was dealing with, they reacted quickly. He said Boos, as well as staff, believes it is important to restore public confidence. He stated he is confident, as is Mr. Tomasik, that Boos Development Group will do this.

Councilwoman Siskind asked if the new engineer has had prior experience with the Village and has a good track record. Mr. Schofield stated the Village has experience with its engineer. He said the development group has a good engineer. He stated this time an engineer will be checking each step of the way.

Councilman McGovern asked if they will let Mr. Tomasik know tomorrow if they are going to preserve the foundation or not. Mr. Tomasik stated that will be a part of the documents being submitted for the permit, as they will clearly identify if the foundation is to be completely removed or remain. He said staff is waiting for these documents, so there is a clear understanding on which way they are going.

Councilman McGovern asked if there was a deadline to submit the documents to the Village. Mr. Tomasik stated the deadline is Monday, December 2, 2019, for the building to become compliant, meaning being removed or fixed. He said they will need to have a building permit by that time to be ready for demolition the next day.

Mayor Gerwig asked if Boos Development Group has a right to go to the Construction Board of Adjustments & Appeals if they do not like the Village's order and drag this out further. Mr. Schofield indicated the development group has filed and withdrawn. He said they have past

their point of appeal.

Mr. Tomasik stated there is no other process. He noted the Village received a confirmation letter from the Chief Development Officer who represents CVS stating that the building will be demolished on December 3, 2019, and they are determined to make this happen. He stated he thinks CVS needs to be given the time to submit the documents, as he is pretty confident they will.

Councilman Drahos stated the holiday parade is on December 8, 2019, and the Village has to be concerned about safety and people around that area. He said that location needs to be pristine.

Mr. Tomasik stated the demolition will start on December 3, 2019, and it might take three days to demolish the building. He said CVS is well aware of the events. He stated the events and parades have been brought to the contractor's attention. He said it is in their contract with Regency, the owner of the plaza. He stated no construction is to be done during these events.

Councilman McGovern stated if they start on Tuesday, December 3, 2019, they will be done by Sunday. Mr. Tomasik stated, if not, staff will be on them to make sure the job is secure and clean.

Mr. Tomasik stated the contractor selected for the demolition is very experienced. He said they do demolitions for Palm Beach County and extensive demolitions in Miami. He stated this building is actually a small job for them. He said he made them aware that this is in the middle of their town and the Village wants to make sure there is dust control and everything is operating, because there are several businesses in that plaza.

Councilman McGovern stated these businesses have already been affected for quite some time. Mr. Tomasik indicated he has received a lot of phone calls from people and he knows there is a lot of concern. He said it will be good to see this building removed and moving forward finally.

Councilman Drahos asked if CVS will be required to go back before the ARB. Mr. Basehart stated if CVS uses the same building elevations that the ARB approved, staff cannot make CVS go back before the ARB.

Councilman McGovern asked if it was CVS' intention to move forward as expeditiously as possible and build the building with the signage that has already been approved. Mr. Tomasik stated CVS is determined to start construction as soon as possible. He said the Village has offered to expedite the review if need be, to make sure CVS is not held up. He stated he believed the same set of plans that were approved by the ARB originally will be submitted with no elevation changes.

Mayor Gerwig stated these plans have been replicated a dozen times at a minimum. She asked if there was any liability on the Village's part to notify the other users of these plans of the deficiencies identified by the Village. Mr. Tomasik stated he did not know if the Village had an obligation, but he believed they should warn of the deficiencies that are there.

Mayor Gerwig stated her idea is not to tear down everything that has been built with this set of plans. She said deficiencies can be strengthened or compensated. She said, as far as this building, the walls could have been used or repaired. She stated it is just more work than what

the builder has decided to do. She said with engineering, time and money, just about anything can be done. She stated she just wanted to make sure the Village is doing the right thing.

Mr. Schofield stated the Village will do what is required and responsible. He said he did not want to get into what could involve other people's rights. He stated the Village will do what is necessary to ensure safety. He said staff will work with the applicant as well.

Councilman Drahos stated the contractor is on notice and has an obligation.

Mr. Tomasik stated staff has reported this to the Board of Professional Engineers. He said if this Board finds a deficiency, he is sure it will be communicated to whoever is concerned about this design. He stated he felt this was the right thing to do in their powers as a Building Department.

Councilman McGovern stated the expressed will here is that this is safe and gets underway and finished as soon as possible with little disturbance to the community, particularly the neighboring communities.

Mayor Gerwig stated the Village does not have hard feelings towards CVS. She said it is a matter of getting this accomplished and keeping a good relationship. She stated CVS wants to be a good partner in this community, wants the residents to shop there, and wants the community to like them.

Mr. Tomasik stated they have expressed to the contractor that the Village is going to start fresh from the beginning. He said it is the same contractor with a different engineer of record.

Mayor Gerwig stated the Village had concerns about the construction process, not just the plans. She said if the contractor was okay with all of that, with the engineer of record, and with the inspections, she still has a big problem with this.

Mr. Schofield stated staff will do what the building code and the law allows them to do, to ensure the building is safe. He said there will be more inspections, but they are now crossing into an area where he is uncomfortable.

Mayor Gerwig states she does not mean to disparage anyone's technical ability. She said it seems to her that this contractor, from her charrette with Mr. Schofield and the engineer the Village hired, had a willingness to just move on as long someone signed off. She stated she did not think that was a very responsible attitude. She said the Village has to do better.

Mr. Tomasik stated the Village has done what is in their power to report this to the state. He said the state is well aware of what has been done. He stated there is nothing more the Village can do as far as affecting their licensure within the state of Florida.

Mr. Schofield stated they were now past the point where as a municipality and the code they can go. He said as long as the contractor's license is valid, the Village will work with them and use appropriate caution.

Councilman McGovern stated the Village will continue to adhere to their process. He said Mr. Tomasik's team stated there was a problem last time. He stated they will be there this time to ensure the building is built safely and quickly with little disturbance to the public.

Mr. Tomasik stated the Village wants to make sure the building is safe and constructed without affecting neighboring businesses, adjacent lots, entrances, etc. He said they are going through all of this to ensure the building is built safely.

Councilman McGovern asked if Mr. Tomasik expected to issue the permit by Monday. Mr. Tomasik stated as soon as the documents that clarify the foundation are submitted, staff will issue the permit. He said the permit application and all of the other documents were submitted yesterday.

Councilman Drahos stated this project has reached a certain sensitivity now that the Council is also keeping a close eye on it. He asked if any unanticipated delays or anything unforeseen comes up that they let Council know right away, so they are kept in the loop as this process evolves.

Mr. Tomasik stated staff will be asking the contractor to provide the Village with a timeline. Mr. Schofield said he will keep the Council fully apprised. He stated they are now crossing into an area of the building code that he is uncomfortable with.

Mayor Gerwig stated they have to start over and get this building done with as much good will as possible from everyone.

9. PUBLIC FORUM

Mr. Schofield indicated no public comment cards were received.

10. ATTORNEY'S REPORT

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

- She wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving.

11. MANAGER'S REPORT

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

- The Next Regular Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 10, 2019 at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers.
- Village Offices will close at noon on Wednesday, November 27, 2019, and reopen Monday, December 2, 2019, in observance of the Thanksgiving Day holiday.
- The Annual Holiday Tree Lighting will take place on Friday, December 6, 2019, beginning at 6:30 PM at the amphitheater. A concert and food trucks will be a part of this event as well.
- The 36th Annual Wellington Holiday Parade will be held on Sunday, December 8, 2019, at 1:30 PM along Forest Hill Boulevard.

12. COUNCIL REPORTS

COUNCILWOMAN SISKIND: Councilwoman Siskind presented the following report:

- She wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving.

COUNCILMAN MCGOVERN: Councilman McGovern presented the following report:

- Councilman McGovern commented on the traffic this past weekend due to the lacrosse tournament. He hoped there was a report on the approval of the permit, the event that occurred, and the complete shutting down and traffic melee of at least two days along Pierson, 120th, Lake Worth Road, Stribling, and South Shore. He stated a significant amount of time was spent there by Mr. Schofield, Mr. Barnes, Captain Silva, and several members of this Council. He said this was not the way the Village and its residents expect things to run.

Mr. Basehart stated the applicant, Palm Beach County Sports Commission, has been running national field hockey tournaments at this site and has never had a problem. He said when the permit application came in for this event it required the same kind of preparation. He indicated attendance estimates were provided, but there were substantially more attendees than what was anticipated by the applicant or staff.

Mayor Gerwig stated the Village was not involved in this event other than it taking place in Wellington. She said she heard people were mad that the Village of Wellington's name was not on it and that they were coming to something that said the Palm Beach Sports Commission. She stated the Sports Commission contracted with IPC, adjacent property owners, and the Village for field use, but it was not a Wellington event.

Councilman Drahos stated he understood this was the biggest national lacrosse tournament in the country, which historically has been held in Orlando at various locations. He said the idea of moving it to Wellington and putting it in one centralized location is a big win for the organizer.

Councilman McGovern stated the Village approved a field hockey tournament on Thanksgiving weekend in the prior three years and this was a lacrosse event on the preceding weekend. He indicated he requested a copy of the application and/or approvals for last year or this year, but has not yet received them. He asked how many people were estimated to be at the field hockey tournament last year and at the lacrosse tournament this year.

Mr. Basehart stated he believed 8,000 or 10,000 participants were projected over the course of the weekend for the field hockey tournament.

Mr. Schofield stated he will provide Council with a copy of what Councilman McGovern requested, as he just received it today. He said the Village could have and should have done some things differently. He stated they knew there was going to be 8,000 athletes, as it was in the application, but it was unclear that all 8,000 of them were going to be there at one time.

Mr. Schofield stated the first problem was that the Village did not insist that PBSO provide traffic control. He said the problem began Friday night when the officers of the contracted police agency stayed in their cars with the lights on and did not particularly deal with the traffic. He stated when he and Mr. Barnes dealt with that issue Friday night, the officers were told to get out and direct traffic, which they did Saturday morning.

Mr. Schofield stated Saturday morning at about 7:30 AM it was clear the means the contracted officers had chosen to use were simply unacceptable. He said at that point these officers decided to tell people not to go onto 120th Street if they did not have a parking pass. He stated that does not sound like a problem, but between 7:00 AM and 9:00 AM 260 teams with 20 players each had to come onto the site in addition to 900 college coaches. He said they were not prepared for 3,600 trips. He stated one police officer at Lake Worth Road was trying to check-in 1,800 cars in less than two hours and it backed things up.

Councilman McGovern asked how the Village did not know all of this in advance. Mr. Schofield stated there was no way the Village could have known the contracted officers were going to stop people on Lake Worth Road and back up people for over a mile. He said the Village was able to solve that issue in about an hour.

Councilman McGovern stated this event was magnitudes larger than any prior event. He asked if that was because it was not included in the application. Mr. Schofield stated the number of athletes was included in the application. He said for every athlete there they will be about 2.2 additional spectators and from that they can get to the number of cars.

Mr. Schofield stated in talking with the vendor or the people who put on the event, they stated they contracted with a vendor that does parking. He said that vendor was not prepared for the number of people who came out. He stated they had parking on the immediate adjacent property for 2,000 to 3,000 cars and on IPC for another 500 or 600 cars. He said they were looking to accommodate about 3,000 cars at any one time, but the number was actually higher than that. He stated Mr. Barnes was able to get some other places opened up, make arrangements with the mall, and get shuttle busses.

Mr. Schofield stated, from this point on, these events will no longer be solely a function of the Village planning staff. He said the operation people who deal with 10,000 people at a time coming into a venue will now be involved.

Mayor Gerwig stated the roads in the Equestrian Overlay Zoning District are all two lanes. She said it is a requirement in the Village Comp Plan, as the Village tries to keep traffic moving slowly in the Equestrian Preserve Area. She stated part of this process is because of the equestrian property, as it has the open fields and a lot of green space.

Councilman Drahos stated he thought the big take away here was that when the Village started receiving phone calls about the traffic issues, they went into defense mode and got staff engaged. He said the following morning they were onsite and working with PBSO to basically redo the entire traffic plan. He stated an event of this size should not go on in Wellington without staff's input at some point in the planning process. He said he learned from speaking to the vendor directly that they had three fly-in meetings leading up to this event, but staff was not invited. He stated it was not a Village of Wellington event, but the assumption is that the Village has some part in any event that goes on in Wellington and most people think it is a Wellington event.

Councilman Drahos stated his concern is how to avoid this and how to improve upon what was otherwise an extremely successful event in Wellington. He said he and Mr. Schofield discussed having a point of contact on staff who will be responsible for overseeing these types of events in the future, to make sure there are no problems like

this again. He stated the traffic and parking problems overshadowed what was otherwise a great event.

Councilman McGovern stated he agreed. He said they want these kind of events to come to Wellington, but they all have to come together to put their best face forward. He stated that certainly did not happen this past weekend. He commended Mr. Barnes and Mr. Schofield, as they worked the whole weekend with Captain Silva and a number of other people like they were planning for a hurricane.

Councilman Drahos stated they had to do this with less than 24 hours' notice and they did not know how unprepared this vendor was for the event. He said the Village had to come in and save it, and these folks should be commended.

Councilman McGovern stated their job now as a Council is to ask how this is not going to happen again. Mayor Gerwig agreed. She said that was her point in saying that there are two-lane roads in the equestrian area. She stated a resident e-mailed her saying the Village should have had all of the roads going one-way and should have done other things. She said Council has talked about this in the past, but the primary focus of this property is not this once a year event. She stated it is unfair to the residents and everyone involved to have to deal with this kind of problem in their neighborhoods.

Mayor Gerwig stated the offsite parking and busses has to happen from the very first minute. She said staff is good at this, so this will not happen again. She stated she knows that things will be in place.

Mr. Schofield stated there were clues within the application that there were going to be this many people there. He said a bit of complacency set in, as the Village has done events with the Sports Commission for years and has never had a problem. He stated the most number of teams staff has seen in any given year with the field hockey team is about 130 teams. He said staff knew there was going to be 440 teams here.

Mr. Schofield indicated these folks contracted with IPC to have this event for two additional years. He stated for the future years, staff has spoken with the Sports Commission and that vendor. He said the Village will be a co-sponsor, because they will use Village Park. He stated the one place traffic actually worked pretty well was in Village Park, because the operational people who work for Mr. Barnes know how to do it.

Mr. Schofield stated the Balloon Fest is coming up this weekend, so staff sat down with those folks. He said they did not make many tweaks to it, but they did add two or three more deputies. He stated they also looked at their parking and they have to process a car every 13 seconds. He said some changes were made to the parking to make sure they can get in.

In terms of what should have been done differently, Mr. Schofield stated there should have been a Thursday or Friday inspection of all signs and facilities as well as ongoing monitoring of the event. He said Mr. Barnes, Mr. Juckett and about twenty Parks and Recreation staff should not have had to work a weekend that they were not otherwise working. He stated the Village is preparing a bill for all of this.

Mr. Schofield stated a total of eleven PBSO officers were brought in. He thanked Captain Silva, Lt. Shaivitz, and the Volunteer Emergency Response Team (VERT). He

said they pulled some of the contract officers out of the intersections and replaced them with PBSO deputies.

Mr. Schofield apologized to the public and to the people whose properties were damaged. He guaranteed it will not happen again.

Mr. Schofield stated the Balloon Fest is limited to 2,000 cars a day. He said at one point the lacrosse tournament had over 17,000 people on the site and around 4,500 cars. Councilman McGovern stated the Village is fully prepared for the Balloon Fest this weekend.

Councilman Drahos stated he was glad to hear that the Village is going to have a more active role and that the lacrosse tournament is coming back for two more years. He said it is great for Wellington. He stated he agreed with residents who griped about the fact that this was marketed by the vendor as a West Palm event and not a Wellington event. He asked Mr. Schofield to emphasize to the vendor that there is value to using Wellington's name and the Village expects them to do that if they want Wellington to partner with them.

Councilman McGovern stated the women's national team, which would be the team at the Olympics when this event is re-added, was at IPC to play the professional all-star team for women's lacrosse. He said that is a big deal.

Mayor Gerwig stated it is a big deal, but the Village was not a partner in it. She said the Palm Beach Sports Commission has done very well and the Village has had a great relationship with them. She stated she did not want to throw the Sports Commission under the bus unduly, but the Village, as well as the Sports Commission, does not want this to happen again. She said the Palm Beach Sports Commission's name was up there when things were going wrong. Councilman McGovern stated Mr. George Linley said those exact things directly to them on the site that day.

Councilwoman Siskind stated whether they partner officially or not, if it is in Wellington it is a Village event. She said the Village has to keep everyone safe. She thanked everyone for jumping in and fixing it. She said they could have handled it better from the start. She stated they know going forward it is going to be better for everyone.

Mr. Schofield stated next year Wellington logos will be on everything and the Village will be a partner. He said he spent three days with Mr. Linley.

Mayor Gerwig stated when the baseball tournament was here, Wellington was made a big part of it. She said a video that promoted Wellington was done. She stated whatever has gone awry she did not want to create hardship.

Mr. Schofield stated that Council knows and residents should know that when they see him argumentative and combative, it is usually because he knows that the Village could have and should have done better and that is what they are hearing. He said no criticism was leveled at the Village that was not justifiable. He stated they will do better.

Councilman McGovern stated he felt like they needed to have this discussion.

- He wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving.

- He hoped to see everyone at the Tree Lighting on December 6, 2019; Parade on December 8, 2019; and Winter Fest on December 13, 2019.

COUNCILMAN DRAHOS: Councilman Drahos presented the following report:

- He wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving.

MAYOR GERWIG: Mayor Gerwig presented the following report:

- She stated she attended the National League of Cities Conference and brought back some interesting information. She said she got some ideas to use in their programming, including chair volleyball which looked like a lot of fun. She stated she will be going over that a bit more with staff. She said she also brought back some product information on a surface to try on one of the horse crossings.
- She wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving.

13. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Village Council, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:52 PM.

Approved:

Anne Gerwig, Mayor

Chevelle D. Nubin, Village Clerk