

Village of Wellington

*12300 Forest Hill Blvd
Wellington, FL 33414*



Action Summary - Final

Tuesday, November 10, 2015

7:00 PM

Village Hall

Village Council

*Bob Margolis, Mayor
John Greene, Vice Mayor
Matt Willhite, Councilman
Anne Gerwig, Councilwoman
John T. McGovern, Councilman*

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Margolis called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Margolis led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. INVOCATION

Pastor Peter Bartuska, Wellington Presbyterian Church, delivered the Invocation.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Staff recommended approval of the agenda as amended.

1. Add to the Presentations and Proclamations as Item 5B - Proclamation honoring and recognizing Jerry Nicholas for his years of dedicated service to the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office and to the Wellington Community.
2. Move Consent Item 8C, Resolution No. R2015-91 (Employee Health Insurance) to the Regular Agenda as Item 8E.
3. In order to incorporate the changes requested by Council to Ordinance No. 2015-17 (Composition of Canvassing Board) and avoid having two separate issues on a single question, Ordinance No. 2015-19 was created to address the prohibition of Canvassing Board members participating in campaigns.
4. Consent Agenda item 6D, Resolution No. R2015-84 (Vote Processing Services Agreement) had been changed according to Council consensus at the Agenda Review. The Agreement was sent to the Supervisor of Elections that morning. Ms. Bucher indicated that if the Village's Attorney has indicated that what was being proposed is legally sufficient and in accordance with the Village's Charter, then she would move forward with it. She said that the Village may wish to discuss what alternatives or options the Canvassing Board will have in the case that they only have two individuals canvassing and there becomes a disagreement in the canvassing decision.
5. Approval for Consent Agenda item 6E, Resolution No. R2015-87 (Notice of Election) is being requested subject to the final ballot questions being inserted after final adoption of the ordinances.

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

5. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS**PROCLAMATION HONORING MR. JERRY NICHOLAS FOR HIS YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE**

Mr. Schofield introduced the agenda item. Ms. Rodriguez read the Proclamation.

Captain Hart spoke about Mr. Nicholas being very instrumental to Wellington and District 8 since 2003. He thanked the Village for taking the time to

recognize Mr. Nicholas.

Council presented the Proclamation to Mr. Nicholas

B. [15-668](#)

PRESENTATION BY LIZABETH OLSZEWSKI ON BEHALF OF HORSES HEALING HEARTS

Mr. Schofield introduced the agenda item.

Ms. Liz Olszewski, Executive Director of Horses Healing Hearts, spoke about the mission of that organization. She reviewed a listing of fundraising events scheduled for the next few months.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Schofield presented the Consent Agenda recommending approval as amended.

Mayor Margolis indicated no comment cards were received from the public.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Gerwig, seconded by Vice Mayor Greene, and unanimously passed (5-0), approving the Agenda as amended.

A. [15-268](#)

AUTHORIZATION TO UTILIZE A GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (GSA) CONTRACT AS A BASIS FOR PRICING FOR THE PURCHASE OF A NEW TELEPHONE SYSTEM

This item was approved on Consent.

B. [15-822](#)

AUTHORIZATION TO USE A NATIONAL JOINT POWERS ALLIANCE (NJPA) CONTRACT AS A BASIS FOR PRICING FOR THE PURCHASE AND DELIVERY OF A CUES SEWER TV INSPECTION TRUCK

This item was approved on Consent.

D. [15-653](#)

RESOLUTION NO. R2015-84 (VOTE PROCESSING EQUIPMENT USE AND ELECTION SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE PALM BEACH COUNTY SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS)

A RESOLUTION OF WELLINGTON, FLORIDA'S COUNCIL APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CLERK TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR ELECTION SERVICES WITH THE PALM BEACH COUNTY SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS FOR THE 2016 MUNICIPAL ELECTION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

This item was approved on Consent.

E. [15-746](#)

RESOLUTION NO. R2015-87 (NOTICE OF ELECTION)

A RESOLUTION OF WELLINGTON, FLORIDA'S COUNCIL

CONFIRMING THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE FOR THE ELECTION, AND RUN-OFF ELECTION, IF NECESSARY, AS WELL AS THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE FOR QUALIFYING FOR OFFICE; AUTHORIZING THE PALM BEACH COUNTY SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS TO CONDUCT ALL LOGIC AND ACCURACY TESTS FOR THE MUNICIPAL ELECTION; CANVASSING FOR THE MARCH 15, 2015 ELECTION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

This item was approved on Consent.

F. [15-800](#)

RESOLUTION NO. R2015-82 (PALM BEACH COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE DISTRICT 8 WELLINGTON REQUEST FOR UTILIZATION OF LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST FUNDS (LETF) FOR THE PURCHASE OF AN IN-VEHICLE SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM)

A RESOLUTION OF WELLINGTON, FLORIDA'S COUNCIL AMENDING THE PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-FUND BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015/2016 BY COMMITTING MONIES FROM PRIOR YEAR REVENUES TO OPERATING EXPENSE FOR THE PURCHASE OF AN IN-VEHICLE SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

This item was approved on Consent.

G. [15-810](#)

RESOLUTION NO. R2015-83 (DROWNING PREVENTION COALITION "BUCKS" CERTIFICATE PROGRAM)

A RESOLUTION OF WELLINGTON, FLORIDA'S COUNCIL APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CLERK TO EXECUTE AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE DROWNING PREVENTION COALITION OF PALM BEACH COUNTY TO PROVIDE FOR VOUCHERS FOR FREE SWIMMING LESSONS UNDER THE "BUCK PROGRAM" FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

This item was approved on Consent.

9. PUBLIC FORUM

Public Forum

1. Daphne Krych, 2459 Country Golf Drive, Lakefield South. Ms. Krych indicated problems she was having with the community's HOA regarding the paint color of her house.
2. Bart Novack, 15670 Cedar Grove Lane. Mr. Novack agreed the Village should be working with HOAs regarding paint colors. He spoke against the Village purchasing Binks Forest Golf Course.
3. Rudy Fernandez, 14236 Aster Avenue. Mr. Fernandez spoke about the canal issue and the problems in saw in the proposal from the Engineering Consultant.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. [15-745](#)

ORDINANCES APPROVING REFERENDUM QUESTIONS AMENDING THE VILLAGE CHARTER

Mr. Schofield introduced the agenda item. Ms. Cohen reviewed each of the proposed Charter Amendments.

Public Hearing

A motion was made by Councilwoman Gerwig, seconded by Councilman Willhite, and unanimously passed (5-0) to open the Public Hearing.

1. Dan Rosenbaum, 250 Australian Avenue, West Palm Beach. Mr. Rosenbaum spoke on behalf of Wellington Equestrian Partners. He spoke against proposed Ordinance No. 2015-18.

2. Matt Forrest, 1400 Centre Park Blvd., West Palm Beach. Mr. Forrest identified himself as a lobbyist and a representative of Solar Sports Systems. He spoke in support of Ordinance No. 2015-18.

3. Bart Novack, 15670 Cedar Grove Lane. Mr. Novack requested that the ballot language be kept simple so the residents can understand the questions.

4. Victoria McCullough submitted a comment card, but was not present when her name was called.

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

At this point, Ms. Rodriguez read the ordinances by title.

Approvals

Ordinance No. 2015-15 (Filling Vacancies)

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Greene, seconded by Councilman McGovern, and unanimously passed (5-0) on Second Reading as presented.

Ordinance No. 2015-16 (Equestrian Preserve Area)

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Greene, seconded by Councilman Willhite, and unanimously passed (5-0) to approve Ordinance No. 2015-16 on Second Reading as presented.

Ordinance No. 2015-17 (Village Canvassing Board)

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Greene, seconded by Councilman Willhite, and unanimously passed (5-0) to approve Ordinance No. 2015-17 on First Reading as amended.

(Since the composition of the Canvassing Board was changed to include a Community Member in the case of even number of Canvassing Board members, this would have to come back for a second reading.)

Ordinance No. 2015-18 (Occupancy Uses Prohibited in the Equestrian Preserve Area)

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Greene, seconded by Councilman Willhite, and unanimously passed (5-0) to approve Ordinance No. 2015-18 on Second

Reading as presented.

Ordinance No. 2015-19 (Canvassing Board Members Not Participating in Campaigns for Candidates)

A motion was made by Councilman Willhite to approve Ordinance No. 2015-19. The motion died due to lack of a second.

Council decided that Ordinance No. 2015-19 could made these changes through a general ordinance.

B. [15-747](#)

RESOLUTION NO. R2015-89 (SADDLE TRAIL PARK SOUTH PROJECT ASSESSMENTS)

A RESOLUTION OF WELLINGTON, FLORIDA'S COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE SADDLE TRAIL PARK (SOUTH) NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT; EQUALIZING, APPROVING, CONFIRMING, IMPOSING AND LEVYING CERTAIN NON-AD VALOREM SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS ON THE REAL PROPERTY SPECIALLY BENEFITTED BY SUCH IMPROVEMENT PROJECT TO PAY THE COST THEREOF; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT AND COLLECTION OF SUCH SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS BY THE METHODS PROVIDED FOR HEREIN AND PURSUANT TO CHAPTER SECTION 3, AS AMENDED, OF THE VILLAGE OF WELLINGTON'S CODE OF ORDINANCES AND APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTERS 170 AND 197, FLORIDA STATUTES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mr. Schofield introduced the agenda item. Ms. Rodriguez read the resolution by title.

Mr. Riebe stated two of three Resolutions before Council were public hearings and one was on the Regular agenda. He indicated R2015-89 essentially authorizes the project and imposes a special assessment for the project; R2015-90 is the intent to use the uniform method of collecting non-ad valorem assessments; and R2015-88 authorizes the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$5.82 million for the project.

Public Hearing

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

19 people spoke on this matter; some spoke in support of the project while others spoke in opposition to the project

Vice Mayor Greene read 8 cards into the record with some indicating support of the project while others indicating they opposed the project.

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

A motion was made by Councilman Willhite, seconded by Mayor Margolis, and unanimously passed (5-0) to approve Resolution No. R2015-89 as presented.

C. [15-811](#)

RESOLUTION NO. R2015-90 (EXPRESSING INTENT TO USE THE UNIFORM METHOD OF COLLECTING NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENTS FOR THE VILLAGE OF WELLINGTON SADDLE TRAIL PARK (SOUTH) NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT)

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL FOR THE VILLAGE OF WELLINGTON EXPRESSING THE INTENT OF THE VILLAGE OF WELLINGTON TO USE THE UNIFORM METHOD OF COLLECTING NON AD VALOREM ASSESSMENTS AS AUTHORIZED AND PERMITTED BY SECTION 197.3632, FLORIDA STATUTES; EXPRESSING THE NEED FOR THE LEVY OF NON AD VALOREM ASSESSMENTS AND SETTING FORTH THE LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE REAL PROPERTY WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF WELLINGTON'S JURISDICTIONAL BOUNDARIES THAT MAY BE SUBJECT TO THE LEVY BY THE VILLAGE OF WELLINGTON OF NON AD VALOREM ASSESSMENTS.

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

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

There being no public comments, a motion was made by Councilwoman Gerwig, seconded by Councilman Willhite, and unanimously passed (5-0) to close the Public Hearing.

A motion was made by Councilman Willhite, seconded by Councilwoman Gerwig, and unanimously passed (5-0) to approve Resolution No. R2015-90 as presented.

8. **REGULAR AGENDA**

A. [15-748](#)

RESOLUTION NO. R2015-88 (SADDLE TRAIL PARK SOUTH BOND ISSUANCE)

A RESOLUTION OF WELLINGTON, FLORIDA'S COUNCIL INITIALLY AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE IN ONE OR MORE SERIES OF NOT EXCEEDING \$5,820,000 BONDS TO FINANCE THE COST OF IMPROVEMENTS WITH RESPECT TO THE SADDLE TRAIL PARK (SOUTH) NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT; PROVIDING THAT SUCH BONDS SHALL BE PAYABLE SOLELY FROM SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS LEVIED BY THE VILLAGE PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION NO. R2015-88 ON CERTAIN PROPERTY AS DESCRIBED THEREIN AND OTHER MONIES AS PROVIDED HEREIN; PROVIDING FOR THE RIGHTS,

SECURITIES, AND REMEDIES FOR THE OWNERS OF SUCH BONDS; PROVIDING FOR THE CREATION OF SPECIAL FUNDS AND ACCOUNTS; MAKING CERTAIN COVENANTS AND AGREEMENTS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

A motion was made by Councilman Willhite, seconded by Councilwoman Gerwig, and unanimously passed (5-0) to approve Resolution No. R2015-88 as presented.

B. [15-815](#)

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-85 (SPECIAL USE PERMIT USPA INTERNATIONAL CUP POLO TOURNAMENT 2015)

A RESOLUTION OF WELLINGTON, FLORIDA'S COUNCIL APPROVING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR THE USPA INTERNATIONAL CUP POLO TOURNAMENT 2015 EVENT UTILIZING OUTDOOR AMPLIFIED MUSIC TO BE HELD AT 13444 and 13450 SOUTHFIELDS ROAD; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mr. Schofield introduced the agenda item. Ms. Rodriguez read the resolution by title.

Councilwoman Gerwig indicated that her firm worked on this site and this project for this client. At this point, she recused herself from this discussion and vote, and exited the Council Chambers.

Mr. Basehart presented this item. He indicated that a request had been received that afternoon from the applicant to modify conditions #1 and #3 requesting that the removal be changed to December 1st. It was also noted that, if the request was approved, this change had to be made to Condition 17.

A motion was made by Councilman Willhite, seconded by Vice Mayor Greene, and unanimously passed (4-0) to support Resolution No. 2015-85 as amended in Conditions #1, #3 and #17.

Councilwoman Gerwig returned to the Council Chambers after the approval of this agenda item.

C. [15-801](#)

RESOLUTION NO. R2015-81 (SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR THE SMOKE INN WELLINGTON CIGAR LOUNGE)

A RESOLUTION OF WELLINGTON, FLORIDA'S COUNCIL APPROVING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR BURN ANOTHER ONE, LLC D/B/A SMOKE INN WELLINGTON CIGAR LOUNGE OUTDOOR EVENTS UTILIZING AMPLIFIED MUSIC LOCATED AT 11924 FOREST HILL BOULEVARD, SUITE 7; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mr. Schofield introduced the agenda item. Ms. Rodriguez read the resolution by title.

Mr. Basehart presented the item.

A motion was made by Councilman Willhite, seconded by Vice Mayor Greene, and unanimously passed (5-0) to approve Resolution No. R2015-81 as presented.

D. [15-841](#)

DISCUSSION OF VILLAGE MANAGER'S CONTRACT

Mr. Schofield introduced the agenda item.

Councilman Willhite had negotiated the Manager's contract with Mr. Schofield. He reviewed the changes that were made in the contract.

Public Comments

1. Mr. Tony Fransetta. Mr. Fransetta urged Council to approve the contract.
2. Mr. Bart Novack. Mr. Novack asked where the golden parachute was.

A motion was made by Councilman Willhite, seconded by Vice Mayor Greene, and unanimously passed (5-0) to approve Resolution No. R2015-92 as presented.

C. [15-385](#)

RESOLUTION NO. R2015-91 (EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE)

A RESOLUTION OF WELLINGTON FLORIDA'S COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE MANAGER TO (1) RENEW A MINIMUM PREMIUM AGREEMENT WITH CIGNA HEALTHCARE TO PROVIDE HEALTH INSURANCE TO ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEES, DEPENDENTS AND RETIREES; (2) RENEW EXISTING AGREEMENTS WITH CIGNA GROUP BENEFITS FOR LIFE, SHORT TERM AND LONG TERM DISABILITY; (3) CONTINUE WITH SELF FUNDED DENTAL INSURANCE UTILIZING DENTAL DECISIONS ADMINISTERED BY ANCHOR BENEFIT CONSULTING, INC.; AND (4) APPROVE HRA FUNDING FOR EACH ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mr. Schofield introduced the agenda item. Ms. Rodriguez read the resolution by title.

Mr. De La Vega presented the item.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Greene, seconded by Councilman Willhite, and unanimously passed (5-0) to approve Resolution No. R2015-91 as presented.

9. PUBLIC FORUM

1. Elizabeth Miller, 2364 and 2384 Appaloosa Trail. She noted that she had withdrawn her positive vote regarding Saddle Trail, and was now opposed to the repaving of the roadway.
2. Bart Novack, 15670 Cedar Grove Lane. Mr. Novack expressed concern that the Village would force the members of the five Binks Community to start

owning a golf course particularly since they did not buy into a golf course community. He said he had alerted Council regarding the misuse of public money where a Councilmember was covered for Ethics Complaints through the Village Attorney and nothing had been done. He felt that the residents deserved the reimbursement for those legal fees. Mr. Novack complimented Mr. Schofield on the job that he has been doing for the Village.

10. ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Ms. Cohen presented the following report:

1. She announced that they have a new Assistant Village Attorney, Aaron Dunlap who is scheduled to start work on November 30th.
2. The Legal Department launched their City Law software. They have asked that staff forward all requests for legal review to them via email so that it can be entered into that system.
3. She reported that the Palm Beach Polo access case has been very active noting that there were depositions given by the HOA President of Coventry Greene; scheduled depositions for Mr. Riebe and Mr. Schofield as well as requests for depositions of Mr. Galle and Mr. Zinck.
4. There were several code enforcement cases: (1) Palm Beach Polo and (2) a property owner named Prudent where they asked the Special Magistrate to go back and put in more details of findings of fact. She indicated that they have sent a letter to all of the Special Magistrates asking that, from this point forward, they articulate the facts upon which their legal conclusions are based. She expected to have compliance with that request.
5. Ms. Cohen said that staff placed a Stop Work Order on properties located on Belmont Trace owned by entities affiliated with Mr. James Ritter. She noted that they were for construction of barns without permits. She said that there were questions whether they qualified for an agricultural exemption.

11. MANAGER'S REPORTS

Mr. Schofield presented the following report:

1. Mr. Schofield announced that there would be no regular Council Meeting scheduled for November 24, 2015. The next Council meeting is scheduled for December 8, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.
2. The Annual Veterans Day Parade and Ceremony will take place on Wednesday, November 11th. The Parade will start at Village Hall at 8:15 a.m. and proceed down Forest Hill Blvd to the Veterans Memorial where the ceremony will begin at 8:30 a.m.
3. The first Green Market of the season will be held on Saturday, November 14th from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. adjacent to the Amphitheater.
4. The Village Park Gym will be closed on Thursday and Friday for the Thanksgiving holiday. Section 24, Tiger Shark Cove, Village Park, Scotts Place, Wellington Green Park and Olympia Parks and fields will be open.

12. COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilwoman Gerwig presented the following report:

1. She said that Veterans Day is a great day to celebrate the Veterans.
2. She wished everyone a very Happy Thanksgiving.
3. Councilwoman Gerwig announced that Kings Academy will be presenting "A Christmas Carol" on December 3, 4 and 5th. She announced that her son would be starring as Bob Cratchit, Tiny Tim's Dad. She invited everyone to

attend.

4. Councilwoman Gerwig said that she had left flyers for the Relay for Life Kick Off on Saturday, November 21st at the Binks Forest Golf Club and everyone who is interested was invited.

Vice Mayor Greene presented the following report:

1. He said that everyone was invited to his office on Thursday from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
2. He will be attending the Veterans Day Parade and Ceremony the next morning.
3. Vice Mayor Greene congratulated Mr. Schofield on the renewal of his contract. He thought it was important to look ahead and focus on the next five years without the distraction and politics interfering with what is important to the community. He said that they have made tremendous strides in developing a relationship and focusing on what is important.

Councilman Willhite presented the following report:

1. He congratulated and recognized the process that was taken by Ms. Cohen to hire an Assistant Village Attorney.
2. He asked that perhaps at the next Agenda meeting or next meeting, staff bring forward some priorities for the 2016 goals and objectives and things that need to come back before Council.
3. He noted the Binks Forest carnival which was a tremendous event.
4. He asked Mr. Schofield if he wanted to relate to Council that were part of their conversations about some of his delineation of power and staff that he may be planning to announce.

Mr. Schofield said that Councilman Willhite was very specific that the Village has in place the next person who was responsible below him. He said that it had been evident over the past year or so that he has been relying heavily on Mr. Barnes when he is out of town. He said that he essentially acts in his place. Mr. Schofield announced that it was his intention to appoint him as the Assistant City Manager. He noted that was a reclassification for him, and he would not be hiring anyone to replace him. Mr. Schofield said he would be making that formal that he is in that chain.

Mr. Barnes thanked everyone for his being named Assistant Village Manager. Council extended their congratulations to Mr. Barnes.

Councilman Willhite continued with his report:

- 5 He hoped that everyone will support the Hometown Food Drive.
6. Councilman Willhite wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.
7. He appreciated that the Village was recognizing veterans on Veterans Day.
8. Councilman Willhite spoke about his contract negotiations with Mr. Schofield. He believed that it would set the tone for the Village. It is one more thing behind them that this Council has successfully completed for the community. He believed that sometimes their differences bring out the best of them and doesn't allow them to sit back and take the easy way. He said that he had attended an Economic Forum and the people he spoke with recognized the benefit that Wellington brings to the County in terms of growth, property values, jobs, schools and many other things. Councilman Willhite said if they looked at all of the things that are created in the Village, he believed that they would rank very high.

Councilman McGovern presented the following report:

1. He stated that the Council approved the new telephone system in the Consent Agenda. He said that he heard from residents that they leave messages for the Village, but don't receive calls back. He did not believe that was the level of customer service that the Village should be providing or the level of service that anyone on Council wanted. He said he was formally requesting that a formal policy for returning telephone calls be established. Councilman McGovern asked the Manager to report back to Council on how that could be done.

Mr. Schofield stated that he had discussed that earlier with Councilman McGovern, and one of the things he asked was to hold off on addressing this. He indicated that he had changed his department head meeting until the next day so that they can discuss that issue. He said that he is aware that there is a problem with some members of the department not returning telephone calls which will be fixed.

Councilman McGovern continued his report:

2. He hoped to see everyone at the Veterans Day event the next day. He felt it was an important opportunity for the Village to thank the residents who have served in the Armed Forces.
3. He encouraged everyone to attend the re-starting of the Green Market on Saturday from 9 am to 1 pm
4. Councilman McGovern wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Mayor Margolis presented the following report:

1. Mayor Margolis wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.
2. He extended his congratulations to Mr. Schofield on the renewal of his contract and for his service to the Village.
3. He announced that he opted out from receiving everyone's emails.

Mr. Schofield reminded Council that the League of Cities Legislative Conference was for Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of next week. He advised Council that they should advise Angie if they were planning to attend.

13. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Village Council, the meeting was adjourned.