

**VILLAGE OF PALM SPRINGS  
VILLAGE COUNCIL MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING, COMMUNITY ROOM, MARCH 8, 2007**

**CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, INVOCATION, AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor John M. "Mike" Davis called the regular meeting of the Village Council to order at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Mayor John M. Davis, Vice Mayor Patti Waller, Mayor Pro Tem Bev Smith, Council Member Chet Osborne, Council Member Joni Brinkman, Village Manager Karl E. Umberger, Village Attorney Karen E. Roselli, and Village Clerk Virginia M. Walton.

Staff present were Public Safety Director Jay C. Pickens, as Sergeant at Arms, Land Development Director Bette J. Lowe, Finance Director Rebecca L. Morse, Public Service Director Bill Davis and Leisure Services Director Bill Golson.

Invocation was given by Village Manager Karl E. Umberger, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Pro Tem Smith.

**ADDITIONS, DELETIONS OR MODIFICATIONS, AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Village Manager: Items #6 and #7 continued to March 22, 2007 agenda

A motion to accept the agenda as revised was made by Mayor Pro Tem Smith and seconded by Council Member Osborne. Motion carried 5 – 0.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- 1. Minutes of Local Planning Agency Meeting on February 22, 2007**
- 2. Minutes of Regular Council Meeting on February 22, 2007**
- 3. Public Safety Budget Amendment in the amount of \$6,694.00 to recognize Law Enforcement Block Grant from Florida Department of Law Enforcement** Staff: Jay Pickens, Public Safety Director
- 4. Public Safety Forfeiture Fund Expenditure in the amount of \$20,614.00 for the purchase of specialized electronic and recording equipment for the Criminal Investigations Unit for investigation of violent and drug related crimes, and the purchase of a laptop computer and projector for the Training Division to conduct in-service training**  
Staff: Jay Pickens, Public Safety Director
- 5. RESOLUTION NO. 2007-14 (AGREEMENT)**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF PALM SPRINGS, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH MELROSE SOUTH PYROTECHNICS, INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF A FIREWORKS DISPLAY FOR THE 4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY/50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY COMBINATION CELEBRATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Staff: Bill Golson, Leisure Services Director

A motion to approve the consent agenda as presented was made by Vice Mayor Waller and seconded by Council Member Brinkman. Motion carried 5 – 0.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** - None

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**This item will be continued to the March 22, 2007 agenda**

**6. RESOLUTION NO. 2006-104 (SITE PLAN AMENDMENT CONGRESS OAKS)**

**This item will be continued to the March 22, 2007 agenda**

**7. RESOLUTION NO. 2007-07 (SITE PLAN DOWNTOWN SHOPPES)**

**REGULAR AGENDA**

**ACTIONS AND REPORTS**

**8. Requesting Council Consensus on Leasing Village Property to Sprint Antenna on existing Cellular Tower**

Staff: Bette Lowe, Land Development Director

Manager Umberger advised the Council this was a request by Sprint for a 20 foot x 20 foot lease parcel located on Village property west of the original Bellsouth site. Sprint would locate their antennae on the existing tower located next to the ball fields. This was the only remaining area that was available for this equipment on Village property.

Mayor Pro Tem Smith stated she could not support this because this space should be used for recreations activities. In reply to a question from Vice Mayor Waller, Director Lowe stated the towers could be located on other commercial parcels in the Village, but would have to get Council approval. Vice Mayor Waller stated she would rather have it here than have another tower elsewhere in the Village. Council Member Brinkman stated on the Master Plan this area had no use assigned to it and it had been discussed that another lease might use that space. Council Member Brinkman would be in favor of this. Council Member Osborne stated he did not like giving up space, but

the location was not useable for recreational activities. Council Member Osborne asked about the size of the structure. Director Lowe stated the plan appeared to show a structure 20'8" x 36'7". Council Member Osborne stated he would probably be in favor of this, but would like to see more details of the structure. Mayor Davis stated that Council Member Brinkman was correct that the intent on the Master Plan was to keep cell towers on one site, therefore, he would be in favor. In response to questions about the lease itself, Village Attorney Roselli stated she had some experience with this type of negotiations. Greenacres had just negotiated with Sprint and had signed a 30 year lease, with \$150,000 up front and a 4% bump in cost at each renewal. The Village was looking at a lease for 5 years, with 5 year renewals, for a total of 20 years.

After further discussion, the Council had a consensus of 4 – 1, with Mayor Pro Tem dissenting. Staff was directed to negotiate a lease and bring back to Council with more details.

#### **9. Appointments to the Leisure Services Board**

Staff: Virginia Walton, Village Clerk

Mayor Davis stated there were two regular member positions on the Leisure Services Board expiring and the current members, Robynne Ryals and Donald Keirn, had indicated their willingness to continue to serve. There were also two alternate positions vacant on this Board, if any council member had a nomination. Hearing none, a motion to re-appoint Robynne Ryals and Donald Keirn as regular members for three-years terms to expire on March 27, 2010, was made by Council Member Brinkman and seconded by Council Member Osborne. Motion carried 5 – 0.

#### **VILLAGE COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Council Member Brinkman stated she had no comments, but wanted to make a statement for the public record. There had been information in the media that seemed to imply that there was something this Council could do to lower the Lake Worth utilities rates. For the record, this Council had done everything that could possibly be done and had researched every avenue that was possible; yet had not as yet been able to come to any resolution with Lake Worth.

Mayor Pro Tem Smith stated on her way here tonight she had walked on the new pathway for the new reading garden and it looks very nice there. Thanks to all the staff who had a hand in developing this.

Vice Mayor Waller stated she also had some comments regarding the remarks made in the media. She had been taken aback by those comments. We have a great Council, we have a great Manager and we have great Staff and arrows were slung at everyone. To suggest that any ideas came from someone else other than this Council is ludicrous.

Mayor Davis stated he had seen it too and thought it was great.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Hearing no further business, Mayor Davis adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Village Clerk

Approved by Council \_\_\_\_\_

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Mayor