

**VILLAGE OF VIRGINIA GARDENS  
6498 N.W. 38<sup>th</sup> TERRACE  
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**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE  
VILLAGE OF VIRGINIA GARDENS, FLORIDA  
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2018  
TOWN HALL 6:30 P.M.**

**PRESENT:** Council Members: Elizabeth Taylor Martinez  
Debra Conover  
Gabriel Fernandez  
Jorge Arce  
Mayor: Fred Spencer Deno, IV  
Attorney: Jose Herrera, Esq.

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Council President Arce at 6:34 p.m.

**INVOCATION (MOMENT OF SILENCE)**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chaplain DaSilva.

**1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. Regular Council Meeting – October 18, 2018

A motion by Council Member Fernandez to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of October 18, 2018 was seconded by Council Member Conover  
The motion passed 4-0.

**2. BEAUTIFICATION**

A. Council President Arce reported that the minutes for November 1, 2018 have been submitted.

Mr. Martinez reported that he contacted Mr. Harris of Earth Advisers and was advised that the ordinance should be available for our review by mid- December.

Mr. Martinez reported that the Yard of the Month for November, 2018 was Mr. & Alan Llanos of 5850 NW 40 Street.

**3. MAYOR'S REPORT**

A. The annual Santa Under the Stars will be held Friday, December 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.  
Mayor Deno.

B. Discussion regarding the ADA Sidewalk project

Mayor Deno reported that we received three bids for the ADA Sidewalk project. Mayor Deno reported that Wrangler Construction was the lowest bidder and they did the ADA sidewalk for City of Miami Springs. Mayor Deno stated that they have done work for the Village before.

Public Works Director Martin reported that we have an email regarding any questions the Village had which were answered. Attorney Herrera reported that any change order within the scope of work should be limited to 10%. Mayor Deno would like to move forward with Wrangler Construction in the amount of \$93,841.34

A motion by Council Member Taylor Martinez to move forward with Wrangler Construction was seconded by Council Member Fernandez. The motion was approved 4-0.

4. **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Council President Arce reported that there were no citizen comments.

5. **OLD BUSINESS**

Council President Arce reported that there was no old business.

6. **NEW BUSINESS**

Council President Arce reported that there is no new business.

7. **PLANNING & ZONING**

A. Council President Arce reported that the minutes of the November 13, 2018 were submitted.

Ms. Howard reported that there was a variance request by Mrs. Maryangela Romero of 6210 NW 37 Terrace with respect to Chapter 16, Section 6.2.1 of the Village of Virginia Gardens Code as to allow for an impervious lot coverage ratio of 39.8% where 30% is allowed in order to replace a driveway.

Ms. Howard reported that the variance request was approved with the stipulation that the owner bring updated drawing that includes spacing of 4-6 inches between concrete pads, with the dimensions of the pads as well. There is also a stipulation that the existing coverage be included.

Attorney Herrera stated that they already have the coverage and they will be removing 200 square feet of concrete at the side of the house. Attorney Herrera stated that they will get better water retention on site. Attorney Herrera reported that they are actually reducing the amount of concrete on site. Mayor Deno reported that it will be a definite improvement on the property.

A motion by Council Member Fernandez to move up the Attorney's Report was seconded by Council Member Taylor Martinez. The motion passed 4-0.

8. **ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

A. Resolution No. 947

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF VIRGINIA GARDENS, FLORIDA, GRANTING A VARIANCE TO MRS. MARYANGELA ROMERO WITH RESPECT TO CHAPTER 16 SECTION 6.2.1 TO ALLOW AN IMPERIOUS LOT COVERAGE RATIO OF 39.8% FOR A DRIVEWAY ON HER PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS 6210 NW 37 TERRACE

A motion by Council Member Conover to approve Resolution No. 947 was seconded by Council Member Taylor Martinez. The motion passed 4-0.

B. Resolution No. 946

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF VIRGINIA GARDENS, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE AMENDED 2017/2018 BUDGET FOR THE GENERAL FUND, PUBLIC WORKS FUND AND WATER DEPARTMENT BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2017 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2018, PROVIDING FOR EFFECTIVE DATE.

A motion by Council Member Taylor Martinez to approve Resolution No. 946 was seconded by Council Member Fernandez. The motion passed 4-0.

9. **PUBLIC SAFETY**

A. Council President Arce reported that the statistics for the month of October, 2018 have been submitted.

Mayor Deno reported that Chief Hernandez is not attendance due to the impending birth of his grandchild.

Mayor Deno reported that we will be planting 6 oak trees on the Blessed Trinity property on NW 40 Street. Mayor Deno reported that we did receive permission from Blessed Trinity.

10. **RECREATION**

Mayor Deno reported that the soccer season is in full swing. Mayor Deno stated that Joe is cooking hamburgers and hot dogs and Maritza is manning the concession stand. Council President Arce inquired regarding the memorial for Sal and Mayor Deno stated he would like to dedicate the barbeque area in memory of Sal during the soccer banquet.

11. **PUBLIC WORKS**

Public Work Director Martin reported that FPL is replacing certain older wooden poles and WASA is doing their yearly chlorine change until November 19<sup>th</sup>.

12. **GOOD & WELFARE**

Council Member Taylor Martinez is requesting prayers for Melanie Martinez.

13. **MOTION TO ADJOURN**

A motion by Council Member Fernandez to adjourn the meeting at 7:08 p.m. was seconded by Council Member Taylor Martinez. The motion was approved 4-0.