

**VILLAGE OF VIRGINIA GARDENS  
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**SPECIAL MEETING  
VILLAGE OF VIRGINIA GARDENS, FLORIDA  
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2019  
TOWN HALL-6:00 P.M.**

“Any person who decides to appeal any decision of the Village Council with respect to any matter considered at this meeting will need a record of the proceeding and, for such purpose, may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based.”

**PRESENT:** Council Members: Gabriel Fernandez  
Richard Block  
Debra Conover  
Elizabeth Taylor Martinez  
Jorge Arce  
Mayor: Fred S. Deno IV  
Attorney: Guillermo Cuadra, Esq.

**MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Council President Arce called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

**INVOCATION:** The Invocation was led by Council Member Taylor Martinez

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Taylor Martinez.

1. Approval of Resolution No. 954

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF VIRGINIA GARDENS, CERTIFYING THE RESULTS OF THE SEPTEMBER 10, 2019 GENERAL ELECTION.

Attorney Cuadra read the results of the election:

Mayor Deno –	Unopposed
Richard Block -	116 votes
Debra Conover -	103 votes
Gabriel Fernandez –	120 votes

A motion by Council Member Taylor Martinez to adopt Resolution No. 954 was seconded by Council Member Conover. The motion passed 5-0.

2. Swearing in of Mayor and Council

Mayor Deno presented Judge Gina Beovides. Judge Beovides swore in Mayor Deno and Council Members Richard Block, Debra Conover and Gabriel Fernandez

3. Passing the Gavel to the New Elected Council President

Council President Arce passed the gavel to newly elected Council President Fernandez.

4. Good & Welfare

Mayor Deno invited Mr. Patrick Shepard of A Little Bit of Philly to our meeting.

Mayor Deno presented a plaque to Mr. Shepard on behalf of the Village of Virginia Gardens Council and residents for recognition of his commitment to building awareness, understanding and support for the Autism Community. Mayor Deno also presented Patrick with a check for \$250.00 from the Village of Virginia Gardens.

Mayor Deno reported that we re trying to schedule a memorial service for former Council Member Steve Petterson and as soon as it is arrange he will advise.

Mayor Deno thanked Judged Beovides for her attendance.

5. A motion by Council Member Taylor Martinez to adjourn the meeting at 6:29 p.m. was seconded by Council Member Conover. The motion was approved 5-0.