

City of Delray Beach

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Minutes - Draft

Thursday, January 16, 2020

4:00 PM

Regular Meeting at 4:00 PM

Delray Beach City Hall

City Commission

*Mayor Shelly Petrolia
Vice Mayor Shirley Ervin Johnson
Deputy Vice Mayor Bill Bathurst
Commissioner Adam Frankel
Commissioner Ryan Boylston*

1. ROLL CALL

Mayor Petrolia called the regular meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.
The roll call was taken by the City Clerk.

The following were in attendance:

Present: 5 - Mayor Shelly Petrolia, Vice-Mayor Shirley Ervin Johnson, Commissioner Adam Frankel, Deputy Vice Mayor William Bathurst, and Commissioner Ryan Boylston

Also Present:

George Gretsas, City Manager
Lynn Gelin, City Attorney
Katerri Johnson, City Clerk

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

3. AGENDA APPROVAL

Commissioner Boylson requested Item 6.E. be pulled from the consent agenda for further discussion. It will become Item 7.A.A.

Mayor Petrolia requested Item 6.H.1.(F) be pulled from the consent agenda for further discussion. It will become Item 7.B.B.

Vice Mayor Johnson requested Item 6.H.1.(C) be pulled from the consent agenda for further discussion. It will become Item 7.C.C.

A motion was made by Deputy Vice Mayor Bathurst, seconded by Vice-Mayor Ervin Johnson, that the agenda be approved as amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Petrolia, Vice-Mayor Ervin Johnson, Commissioner Frankel, Deputy Vice Mayor Bathurst, and Commissioner Boylston

4. PRESENTATIONS:

4.A. None

5. COMMENTS AND INQUIRIES ON AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC- IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING PRESENTATIONS:

A. City Manager's response to prior public comments and inquiries

None.

B. From the Public

Mayor Petrolia welcomed Mr. George Gretsas as the new City Manager for Delray Beach.

Public Comment:

Amelia Louhan, 365 SE 5th St., President of MindBody Expo spoke regarding their upcoming event in Old School Square on March 22, 2020.

Caroline Patton, 1020 Tamarind Rd., co-President of Delray Preservation Trust welcomed Mr. Gretsas to Delray Beach and spoke to the Commission on the value of historic preservation in Delray Beach. She presented a video on the history of Delray as a welcoming gift to Mr. Gretsas.

Margie Walden, 6103 Caladium Rd., of Delray Beach Sports Commission welcomed the new City Manager and discussed some upcoming events sponsored by the Palm Beach County Sports Commission and the DDA, with a public invitation for the City Commission to attend.

Rita Ellis, 100 McFarland Dr., representing the Beach Property Owners Association spoke to the Commission regarding the property at 100 Gleason Street.

George Walden, 828 NE 1st Ct., addressed the City Commission regarding controlling the speed of boat traffic on the waterway and the creation of a no-wake slow speed designation in the area of the North Atlantic bridge to the George Bush bridge.

Ned Whaler, 1010 Ingraham Ave., spoke to the Commission regarding the 100 Gleason Street and the height of the buildings in the area. He's concerned that the Village by the Sea feel of Delray Beach will be lost if the City Commission follows the recommendation of the decision made by the Site Plan Review Advisory Board for this property.

Jill Shipperly, 321 Palm Trail, President of Palm Trail Homeowner's Association spoke regarding her support of a low wake zone between Atlantic Avenue and George Bush Blvd. There has been an increase in boater traffic recently which affects the property owners in that area.

John Deleonibus, owner of 100 Gleason Street spoke regarding the project at his property and his frustration with the delays and extra costs he has endured.

Pauline Moody, unverified address, welcomed Mr. Gretsas and discussed the debris from the construction work at I-95 near the Chevron gas station. She also discussed the street repairs needed around the City.

There being no one further from the public who wished to speak, Mayor Petrolia closed public comments.

6. CONSENT AGENDA: City Manager Recommends Approval

A motion was made by Commissioner Boylston, seconded by Vice-Mayor Ervin Johnson, that the Consent Agenda be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Petrolia, Vice-Mayor Ervin Johnson, Commissioner Frankel, Deputy Vice Mayor Bathurst, and Commissioner Boylston

6.A. [20-013](#) CITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Body: **Recommended Action:**

Recommendation: Motion to approve meeting minutes as listed below:

November 5, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [Agenda Cover Report](#)
[November 5, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes](#)

Approved.

6.B. [19-1180](#) APPROVAL TO ACCEPT THE FY 2018 ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT (AFG) # EMW-2018-FO-05865 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$585,454.54 FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY FOR THE FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT.

Body: **Recommended Action:**

Recommendation: Staff recommends the approval to accept grant funding from the FY 2018 Assistance to Firefighters Grant.

Attachments: [Agenda Cover Report](#)
[EMW-2018-FO-05865 - Award Package SCBA](#)

Approved.

- 6.C. [19-1164](#) RESOLUTION NO. 28-20 REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 112-19, APPROVING THE UTILIZATION OF CONTRACT NO. 17-0606G BETWEEN LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA AND MUNICIPAL EMERGENCY SERVICES, INC., TO OBTAIN EQUIPMENT FOR THE DELRAY BEACH FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A MASTER EQUIPMENT LEASE PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH COMMUNITY FIRST NATIONAL BANK; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Body: Recommended Action:

Recommendation: Motion to approve Resolution No. 28-20 to appeal Resolution No. 112-19, to approve the utilization of Contract No. 17-0606G between Lake County, Florida and Municipal Emergency Services, Inc. (MES) to obtain equipment for the Delray Beach Fire Rescue Department and authorize the City Manager to execute a master equipment lease purchase agreement with Community First National Bank.

Attachments: [Agenda Cover Report](#)
[Res 28-20 repealing 112-19](#)
[Sample Lease Agreement - CLP](#)
[Legal Review Checklist SCBA Master Equipment Lease Purchase Agreement](#)
[17-0606G Lake County Contract with MES](#)
[MES Quote SCBA Lake County Contract](#)
[EMW-2018-FO-05865 - Award Package SCBA](#)

Approved.

- 6.D. [20-023](#) AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES

Body: Recommended Action:

Recommendation: Motion to approve Amendment No. 1 to Mutual Aid Agreement for Emergency Services.

Attachments: [Agenda Cover Report](#)
[Emerg Services Agreement](#)
[Legal Review Form 11-7-19 Mutual Aid Agreements Boca and Boynton](#)

Approved.

- 6.E. [19-1184](#) APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT 1 FOR RETROACTIVE APPROVAL WITH LANIER PARKING SOLUTIONS FOR COMPREHENSIVE PARKING MANAGEMENT SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$240,000 AND APPROVAL TO INCREASE THE CONTRACT VALUE - \$3,104,616

Body: **Recommended Action:**

Recommendation: Motion to approve Amendment 1, for retroactive approval with Lanier Parking Solutions, in the amount of \$240,000, for a total contract amount of \$3,104,616.

Attachments: [Agenda Cover Report](#)

[Legal Review Checklist Lanier Parking Amendment No 1](#)

[Comprehensive Parking Management Services Agreement FULLY EXECUTED Amendment 1](#)

Commissioner Boylston wanted to address some of the misinformation being presented in the public regarding the funding for this matter. Missie Barletto, Assistant Public Works Director spoke about the paid parking program and the revenue that has been brought in was \$7 million and expenses of about \$1.75 million leaving more than \$5 million that has gone back into to the General Fund at the City. She clarified that the purpose of this contract is for management services for the parking garage.

Commissioner Frankel stated that the elevator in Federspiel garage has not been working for nearly two years. Missie Barletto explained that the permit is now in place and the repairs will be scheduled within the next two to three weeks. She also explained that the elevator in the Old School Square garage will be operational again next week.

Vice Mayor Johnson asked when the last time the City had inspected the Old School Square garage and expressed her concerns with the functionality of the east elevator.

Mayor Petrolia clarified that this contract is not for the needed repairs but was for the ticketing portion of the parking program.

A motion was made by Commissioner Boylston, seconded by Commissioner Frankel, that this contract amendment No. 1 be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Mayor Petrolia, Commissioner Frankel, Deputy Vice Mayor Bathurst, and Commissioner Boylston

No: 1 - Vice-Mayor Ervin Johnson

- 6.F. [19-1197](#) APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO RENEW THE AGREEMENT WITH CJ CONTRACTING, LLC FOR ROOF MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR SERVICES - \$315,000

Body: Recommended Action:

Recommendation: Motion to approve Amendment No. 2 with CJ Contracting, LLC to renew the Agreement, under the same terms and conditions, and authorize the City Manager to approve renewal options in amounts below, contingent upon appropriations of funds.

Attachments: [Agenda Cover Report](#)
[Legal Review Checklist Amd #2 to Roof Repair Agt with CJ Contracting](#)
[Amendment No. 2](#)

Approved.

6.G. PROCLAMATIONS:

- 6.G.1. [20-016](#) MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY OF SERVICE PROCLAMATION

Body: Recommended Action:

Recommendation: Motion to proclaim January 20, 2020 as Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service

Attachments: [Agenda Cover Report](#)
[MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY 2020](#)

This Proclamation was approved.

- 6.G.2. [20-017](#) NATIONAL MENTORING MONTH PROCLAMATION

Body: Recommended Action:

Recommendation: Motion to proclaim the month of January as National Mentoring Month.

Attachments: [Agenda Cover Report](#)
[National Mentoring Month](#)

This Proclamation was approved.

6.H. REVIEW OF APPEALABLE LAND DEVELOPMENT BOARD ACTIONS:

6.H.1. [20-002](#) REPORT OF APPEALABLE LAND USE ITEMS FROM DECEMBER 2, 2019, THROUGH JANUARY 3, 2020.

Body: Recommended Action:

Recommendation: By motion, receive and file this report.

Attachments: [Agenda Cover Report](#)

[Appealable Items Map 1.16.20](#)

[A - Appealable Report: 40-44 E Atlantic Ave](#)

[B - Appealable Report: 1200 W. Linton Blvd - Target](#)

[C - Appealable Report: 100 Gleason Street](#)

[D - Appealable Report: 1205/1237 N. Federal Hwy - Delray Oasis Business Park](#)

[E - Appealable Report: 302 E. Atlantic Ave - Pierre Delray 1 \(SunTrust Bank\)](#)

[F - Appealable Report: Similarity of Use - CF Zoning District](#)

[G - Appealable Report: 25 NE 2nd Ave - Kasai & Koori](#)

[H - Appealable Report: 307 E Atlantic Ave - Lionfish](#)

[I - Appealable Report: 14470 E. Atlantic Ave - KFC](#)

[J - Appealable Report: 1800 S. Federal Hwy - Chick Fil A](#)

[K - Appealable Report: 354 SE 5th Avenue - 5th Avenue Square](#)

Item 7.B.B. - Mayor Petrolia requested to appeal Item 6.H.1.(F). This item would be changing CF properties to allow for private parking lots.

Deputy Vice Mayor Bathurst moved to approve appealing Item 6.H.1.(F). It was seconded by Commissioner Boylston. A roll call vote was taken and all were in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

Item 7.C.C. - Vice Mayor Johnson requested to appeal Item 6.H.1.(C). Commissioner Boylston felt it was important for staff to do a report on this to give further clarification.

Vice Mayor Johnson moved to approve appealing Item 6.H.1.(C). It was seconded by Commissioner Boylston. A roll call vote was taken and all were in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

The remaining items 6.H.1.(A-B, D-E and G-K) are approved under the Consent Agenda.

Approved.

6.I. AWARD OF BIDS AND CONTRACTS:

- 6.I.1. [19-1173](#) APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 02-20 TO AWARD A SOLE SOURCE AGREEMENT WITH ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS RESEARCH INSTITUTE, INC. FOR AN ENTERPRISE SOFTWARE AGREEMENT - \$150,000

Body: **Recommended Action:**

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 02-20 to award a sole source agreement with Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc. (ESRI) for an enterprise software agreement in the estimated amount of \$150,000.

Attachments: [Agenda Cover Report](#)
[Agreement - Esri](#)
[Res 02-20 ESRI Software Agreement legal review REV. 1.3.20](#)
[Legal Review Checklist- Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc.](#)
[ESRI Sole Source Approval Request](#)

Approved.

- 6.I.2. [19-1219](#) APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 20-20 TO AWARD AN AGREEMENT WITH MBGC, LLC. D/B/A MINERVA BUNKER GEAR CLEANERS FOR CLEAN, TEST AND MAINTAIN FIRE RESCUE BUNKER GEAR SERVICES; UTILIZING HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY SOLICITATION NO. 18849 - \$171,000

Body: **Recommended Action:**

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 20-20 to award an Agreement with MBGC, LLC. d/b/a Minerva Bunker Gear Cleaners in the estimated amount of \$171,000 through November 30, 2022, utilizing the Hillsborough County Solicitation No. 18849, and authorize the City Manager to approve renewal options, in the amounts below, contingent upon appropriation of funds.

Attachments: [Agenda Cover Report](#)
[Legal Review Checklist MBGC, LLC](#)
[Resolution 20-20 Minerva Bunker Gear](#)
[MBGC, LLC](#)

Approved.

- 6.I.3. [19-1195](#) APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 27-20 TO AWARD AN AGREEMENT WITH W. W. GRAINGER, INC. FOR MAINTENANCE REPAIR AND OPERATIONS (MRO) SUPPLIES, PARTS, EQUIPMENT AND MATERIALS; UTILIZING THE CITY OF TUCSON SOLICITATION NO. RFP 192163 - \$120,000

Body: Recommended Action:

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 27-20 to award an Agreement with W. W. Grainger, Inc in the estimated amount of \$120,000 through December 31, 2022 utilizing the City of Tucson solicitation No. RFP 192163, and authorize the City Manager to approve renewal options, in the amounts below, contingent upon appropriation of funds.

Attachments: [Agenda Cover Report](#)
[Resolution No. 27-20 Award of Agreement](#)
[Legal Review Checklist Piggyback with Grainger for MRO](#)
[Grainger Agreement](#)

Approved.

7. REGULAR AGENDA:

- 7.A. [20-004](#) RESOLUTION NO. 04-20: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DELRAY BEACH, FLORIDA, PROVIDING FOR THE ABANDONMENT OF INTEREST OF SANITARY AND SEWER EASEMENTS.

Body: Recommended Action:

Recommendation: Review and consider Resolution No. 04-20.

Attachments: [Agenda Cover Report](#)
[AutoNation Land Rover Jaguar - Approved Site Plan \(2019-120\)](#)
[AutoNation Land Rover Jaguar - Resolution No. 04-20 \(2020-048\)](#)
[AutoNation Land Rover Jaguar - Survey](#)

Anthea Gianniotis, Development Services Director, entered File No. 2019-048 and 2019-249 into the record. She stated that Items 7.A., 7.B. and 7.C. all relate to this project, but will be voted on separately.

Michael Weiner, Attorney for the applicant, AutoNation Land Rover Jaguar, gave a presentation on the project.

Anthea Gianniotis, Development Services Director gave a staff report presentation on each of these items.

A motion was made by Commissioner Boylston, seconded by Commissioner Frankel, that Resolution No. 04-20 be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Petrolia, Vice-Mayor Ervin Johnson, Commissioner Frankel, Deputy Vice Mayor Bathurst, and Commissioner Boylston

- 7.B.** [20-020](#) RESOLUTION NO. 18-20: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DELRAY BEACH, PROVIDING FOR THE ABANDONMENT OF A INGRESS AND EGRESS EASEMENT.

Body: **Recommended Action:**

Recommendation: Review and consider Resolution No. 18-20.

Attachments: [Agenda Cover Report](#)

[AutoNation Land Rover Jaguar - Site Plan Approval \(2019-120\)](#)

[AutoNation Land Rover Jaguar - Resolution 18-20 \(2020-048\)](#)

[AutoNation Land Rover Jaguar - Survey](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Boylston, seconded by Commissioner Frankel, that Resolution No. 18-20 be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Petrolia, Vice-Mayor Ervin Johnson, Commissioner Frankel, Deputy Vice Mayor Bathurst, and Commissioner Boylston

- 7.C.** [20-021](#) MINOR SUBDIVISION OF A REPLAT FOR AUTONATION LAND ROVER JAGUAR OF DELRAY BEACH, FLORIDA, AND THE CREATION OF A TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION ACCESS EASEMENT AGREEMENT.

Body: **Recommended Action:**

Recommendation: Review and consider a minor subdivision request and the creation of a temporary construction easement agreement.

Attachments: [Agenda Cover Report](#)

[AutoNation Land Rover Jaguar - Proposed Plat \(2019-249\)](#)

[AutoNation Land Rover Jaguar - Construction Easement \(2019-249\)](#)

[AutoNation Land Rover Jaguar - Site Plan Approval \(2019-120\)](#)

[AutoNation Land Rover Jaguar - Survey](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Boylston, seconded by Commissioner Frankel, that Item 7.C. be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Petrolia, Vice-Mayor Ervin Johnson, Commissioner Frankel, Deputy Vice Mayor Bathurst, and Commissioner Boylston

- 7.D. [20-019](#) RESOLUTION NO. 26-20: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF DELRAY BEACH, FLORIDA, DECLARING THE INTENTION OF THE CITY TO CONSIDER ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY CODE RELATING TO THE REGULATION OF DOCKLESS MOBILITY DEVICES; INVOKING THE PENDING ORDINANCE DOCTRINE; PROVIDING THAT FROM JANUARY 16, 2020 AND DURING THE PENDENCY OF CONSIDERATION, THE CITY WILL CONTINUE TO DEFER THE PROCESSING AND APPROVAL OF ALL APPLICATIONS FOR DOCKLESS MOBILITY DEVICES INCONSISTENT WITH THE CODE OF ORDINANCES; DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO PUBLISH A NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT SUCH ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Body: **Recommended Action:**

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 26-20.

Attachments: [Agenda Cover Report](#)
[Resolution 26-20 invoking zoning in progress-Dockless Mobility extension \(003\)](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Frankel, seconded by Deputy Vice Mayor Bathurst, that Resolution No. 26-20 be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Petrolia, Vice-Mayor Ervin Johnson, Commissioner Frankel, Deputy Vice Mayor Bathurst, and Commissioner Boylston

- 7.E. [20-072](#) RESOLUTION 37-20: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF DELRAY BEACH, FLORIDA, DECLARING THE INTENTION OF THE CITY TO CONSIDER ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY CODE RELATING TO THE REGULATION OF APPURTENANCES; INVOKING THE PENDING ORDINANCE DOCTRINE; PROVIDING THAT FROM JANUARY 16, 2020 AND DURING THE PENDENCY OF CONSIDERATION, THE CITY WILL CONTINUE TO DEFER THE PROCESSING AND APPROVAL OF ALL APPLICATIONS FOR APPURTENANCES INCONSISTENT WITH THE CODE OF ORDINANCES; DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO PUBLISH A NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT SUCH ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Body: **Recommended Action:**

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution 37-20.

Attachments: [Agenda Cover Report](#)
[Resolution 37-20](#)

Lynn Gelin, City Attorney explained the purpose of this Resolution which would be to allow staff approximately six months to review the current regulations of appurtenances in the LDR's and to draft new ordinances, if needed for any changes. It will also allow time for the City Commission to give staff direction on any changes to the City's LDR's for this topic.

A motion was made by Commissioner Boylston, seconded by Commissioner Frankel, that Resolution No. 37-20 be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Petrolia, Vice-Mayor Ervin Johnson, Commissioner Frankel, Deputy Vice Mayor Bathurst, and Commissioner Boylston

**7.F. [20-048](#) DISCUSSION REGARDING WAKE ZONE BETWEEN ATLANTIC
 AVENUE AND GEORGE BUSH BLVD**

Attachments: [Agenda Cover Report](#)
 [intracoastal speed doc](#)

Lynn Gelin, City Attorney spoke to the City Commission about the email that was received from a resident in this area referencing State Statute 327.46 and stated that was not the correct statute. It is actually State Statute 327.60, which preempts local regulation of the Intercoastal waterway. Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation would have the jurisdiction of regulating a no wake zone in this area. Attorney Gelin stressed to the Commission that due to the fact that this is on the Intercoastal waterway, the City is preempted from creating an ordinance for this. Her recommendation is to draft a Resolution urging the State Legislature to consider doing something on behalf of the City.

Discussion ensued with the Mayor and Commission about environmental changes that may be affecting the seawalls and how other municipalities have handled this.

It was agreed by the Commission that something needs to be done and to start with urging the State Legislature to act on this.

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

8.A. None

9. FIRST READINGS:

9.A. None

10. COMMENTS AND INQUIRIES ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

A. City Manager

George Gretsas, City Manager thanked the Commission for the opportunity and allowing him to transition from the City of Homestead. He also thanked Interim City Manager de Jesus and City Attorney Gelin for briefing him on the issues that need to be addressed. He is working his way through meeting with all of the staff and hopes to complete that soon.

B. City Attorney

City Attorney, Lynn Gelin reported to the City Commission that she would like to schedule a shade meeting on February 4th, 2020 at 3 p.m. to discuss the litigation regarding the Depot Warehouse, LLC case and set up litigation strategy. The meeting will last approximately one hour.

Commissioner Frankel moved to approve scheduling a shade meeting on February 4, 2020 at 3 p.m. It was seconded by Deputy Vice Mayor Bathurst. A roll call vote was taken and all were in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

C. City Commission**Commissioner Frankel made the following comments:**

- Welcomed Mr. Gretsas as the new City Manager and is looking forward to working with him on City business.
- Thanked Neal de Jesus for stepping in as the Interim City Manager at a difficult time and for doing a phenomenal job.
- Thanked City Attorney Gelin for scheduling a meeting next week for the PPOA and the outside legal counsel to discuss the public safety ordinance.
- Thanked the Commission, Chief de Jesus, Chief Sims and many others who made the Menorah Lighting a success this year.

Deputy Vice Mayor Bathurst made the following comments:

- Welcomed Mr. Gretsas as the new City Manager.
- Recapped his attendance at Palm Beach Days in Tallahassee and the importance of talking to the State Legislators to discuss the needs of the City.
- Discussed dune management with the City Commission.

Commissioner Boylston made the following comments:

- Reported on his meeting with Wanda Paul, COO of the school district regarding the preservation of the historical Carver School site.
- Building of the Plumosa School of the Arts was delayed, but has been fast-tracked. It will break ground this summer and will open the following school year.
- Expressed a desire for the City to have a townhall meeting like the former Mayor used to do.
- Discussed the movement in Broward County to rename Old Dixie Highway and he will be keeping a close eye on how Palm Beach County will respond to that movement.
- Delray Beach Open ticket sales have added a feature this year that allowed ticket purchasers to donate to the Education Foundation by rounding up their ticket price and the funds go directly to the schools.
- Thanked Commissioner Frankel and Deputy Vice Mayor for attending Palm Beach Days with him in Tallahassee and sharing the needs of the City with several Legislators.
- Expressed his disappointment and frustration with an email that was sent by Mayor Petrolia to the State Legislator's while they were in Tallahassee and the instability it brings to the City of Delray Beach.

Vice Mayor Johnson made the following comments:

- Welcomed George Gretsas as the new City Manager.
- Attended the school district meeting with Commissioner Boylston about the preservation of the historical Carver School site and thanked Commissioner Boylston for his efforts in reaching out to the school district officials in getting this moved up on the schedule. Thanked Mr. Baron for his idea of allowing patrons to round up their ticket price for the Delray Beach Open to donate to several non-profit organizations.
- Thanked her colleagues for attending Palm Beach County Days on behalf of the City. She feels it is vital for the City officials be a member of the Palm Beach League of Cities.
- Discussed opposing the Senate Bill on short-term rentals like Airbnb's. Commissioner Frankel stated that they shared it with Senator Berman.
- Requested that her colleagues get back to congeniality and return to civility by stopping the name calling that has been going on.

Mayor Petrolia made the following comments:

- Expressed her thankfulness for the block of time that the Commission did not have meetings which allowed for some time off for everyone.
- Shared her appreciation for all of the recent events that took place recently in the City such as, Holiday Parade, Jingle Mingle, Christmas Tree Lighting, Menorah Lighting, Shadow Day with interns within some of the departments and the New Year Fireworks.
- Suggested that the Commission do a better job at discussing the needs of the City with the Lobbyists in Tallahassee to try and get some of the funding back to Delray Beach.
- Discussed her reasoning for sending the letter to Tallahassee about what is going on in the City and felt it was important for the citizens to know and understand the facts.

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Petrolia adjourned the meeting at 5:49 p.m.