



BULLETIN

Highlights from the Regular Commission Meeting on April 12, 2022



Among the Village Items:

- The Village Commission presented Captain Koksai Cepuk with the Mayor's Circle of Commendation recognition for saving someone who drove into the water on Harbor Island on the evening of March 17th. (3D)
- Our Employee of the Month is Water Maintenance Worker Brushun Howard, who was nominated by the NBV Public Works Superintendent for his tireless work, including addressing many overnight infrastructure issues efficiently and with a positive attitude. (3B)
- Auditor's Report – The Village's auditors, Caballero Fierman Llerena & Garcia, presented that the Village has “no findings” for the previous fiscal year by following all generally accepted financial best practices. (3A)
- Consultant's Report – In February 2019, the Village Commission hired international consulting firm Alvarez & Marsal to identify process and staffing improvements across all Village departments. (3C)
 - Close to 100% of all recommendations have been achieved in the three years since, with increased savings to residents and enhanced efficiency in the provision of services.
- NBV PD – The NBV Police Department held a swearing-in and introduction ceremony on March 31 to celebrate the nine employees (sworn and civilian) who most recently joined the department or were elevated to supervisory positions.
 - This reorganization brings a new organizational strategy that maximizes supervisory oversight, increases responsiveness to address residents' calls and concerns, and develops leaders who would serve to fulfill the future needs of the department's succession plans. (9I)

- Traffic Enforcement – The number of traffic citations is on track to double in 2022 compared to the Village’s previous most productive year in terms of citations. (9E)
 - Citations issued in 2021: 5,493
 - Citations issued year-to-date: 2,403
 - Projection for total citations to be issued in 2022: 9,612
- Resolution and budget amendment for purchase of a 30-foot marine patrol vessel for NBV PD. (11B)
 - The Village’s current patrol vessel has reached end of life and will soon need to be decommissioned. The purchase of a new vessel will allow the Village to continue to deliver superior maritime public safety services, and further improve the safety of boaters and the water quality of Biscayne Bay.
 - Sponsored by Vice Mayor Wilmoth.
- Resolution and budget amendment for purchase and installation of swings at Vogel Park. (14B)
 - The swing set will be placed at Vogel Park later this year with four swings (two regular, one for toddler age, and one ADA-compliant swing).
 - Sponsored by Mayor Latham. Co-sponsored by Vice Mayor Wilmoth.
- Resolution approving the issuance of a work order to SFM Services, Inc. for tree planting services contributing to the beautification of Harbor Island. (14C)
 - This improvement would include planting trees to improve the canopy, reducing the heat island effects, and enhancing the aesthetic beauty of the corridors.
 - Ground cover will be planted below the trees in the next few months to enhance the foliage in the bulbouts and discourage the dumping of waste in these areas.
 - Sponsored by Mayor Latham. Co-Sponsored by Vice Mayor Wilmoth.
- Discussion to approve formal partnership between NBV, the Consulate of the Republic of Poland, and the American Institute of Polish Culture to assist local organization in Poland in their mission to improve the quality of life. (14D)
 - Sponsored by Mayor Latham.
- Discussion to form a sister-city agreement between NBV and the Town of Puszczkowo, Poland, in an effort to improve the quality of life of those in need. (14E)
 - Sponsored by Mayor Latham.