



City Hall Council Chambers
9101 Bonita Beach Road SE
Bonita Springs, Florida 34135

**City of Bonita Springs
City Council
Meeting Minutes
June 3, 2026
5:30 p.m.**

1. **Call to Order** - *Mayor Gibson called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.*

2. **Invocation** - *Provided by Rabbi Mendy Greenberg of Chabad Jewish Center.*

3. **Pledge of Allegiance**

4. **Roll Call**

*Present: 6 Council Member Bogacz, Council Member Carr, Mayor Gibson, Council Member Corrie,
Council Member Fullick, Council Member Fitzpatrick*

Absent: 1 Deputy Mayor Purdon (excused)

5. **Public Comment on Agenda Items** – *None*

6. **Presentations:**

A. Presentation by Tamara Pigott, Executive Director of the Lee County Visitor & Convention Bureau, on tourism activity and Tourist Development Council (TDC) initiatives. (Green Sheet 26-06-092)

Tamara Pigott, Executive Director of the Lee County Visitor & Convention Bureau, presented the report and introduced Pamela Johnson, Deputy Director of the Lee County Visitor & Convention Bureau, who is set to assume the role of Executive Director upon Ms. Pigott's retirement (Presentation on file in the City Clerk's office). City Council also presented a Certificate of Recognition to Ms. Pigott and wished her well in retirement.

7. **Consent Agenda Items:**

*Council Member Carr motioned to approve consent agenda items; Seconded by Council Member Bogacz. **The motion carried 6-0.***

A. Approve Minutes from the City Council Regular Meeting held on May 20, 2026.

B. Approve a Resolution and Supplemental Task Agreement #3 issued under CN 23-23, Miscellaneous Grant Writing and Support Services with Pegasus Engineering, LLC for grant management services to assist with the implementation of the Central Bonita Springs Neighborhood Elevation Project. (Green Sheet 26-06-094)

C. Approve amendment #2 for the Septic Replacement and Groundwater Protection Agreement between the City and Bonita Springs Utilities clarifying grant match responsibilities for Lakes of San Souci and Sun Village Septic to Sewer Projects. (Green Sheet 26-06-095)

- D. Approve a Resolution accepting the recommendation of the Art in Public Places Board for tenancy of Artist Cottage #5 and authorizing the City Manager to execute a one-year lease agreement. (Green Sheet 26-06-096)
- E. Approve a Resolution accepting the recommendation of the Art in Public Places Board for tenancy of Artist Cottage #2 and authorizing the City Manager to execute a one-year lease agreement; and approve the early lease termination request submitted by the current tenants of Artist Cottage #2. (Green Sheet 26-06-097)

- Opportunity for City Council Comments on Consent Agenda

Council Member Fullick addressed Consent Item 7E, noting that the current tenants of Artist Cottage #2 requested to end their agreement effective 6/30/26 without providing the required 90 days' contractual notice. He emphasized that approval of the early termination should not be viewed as establishing a precedent; the approval is being granted solely because a new tenant is prepared to begin occupancy early. City Attorney Rooney concurred.

8. Public Hearings:

- A. (Second Reading and Public Hearing) AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BONITA SPRINGS, FLORIDA AMENDING CHAPTER 40 OF THE BONITA SPRINGS CODE; CREATING A NEW ARTICLE V - REGULATING THE OPERATION OF ELECTRIC BICYCLES, MOTORCYCLES, AND PERSONAL ELECTRIC POWERED DEVICES ON STREETS, SIDEWALKS, AND SIDEWALK AREAS; PROVIDING DEFINITIONS FOR THE TERM "ELECTRIC BICYCLE," "MOTORCYCLE," "MICROMOBILITY DEVICE," AND OFF HIGHWAY VEHICLES AND MOTORCYCLES; PROHIBITING THE OPERATION OF ELECTRIC POWERED DEVICES ON TRAILS, GREENWAYS, GREENBELTS, AND EASEMENTS IN THE CITY OF BONITA SPRINGS; PROVIDING A PENALTY FOR VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION AND SCRIVENER'S ERRORS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS OF LAW; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR MODIFICATIONS THAT MAY ARISE FROM CONSIDERATION AT PUBLIC HEARING; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (Green Sheet 26-06-098)

*The City Clerk read the title block into the record. City Attorney Rooney, participating remotely via Zoom, introduced the item and noted that the First Reading occurred on May 6, 2026. He outlined revisions made to the draft ordinance in response to Council Member comments at First Reading, including adding the term "Electric Mobility Device" as a catch-all category for similar electric vehicles. City Attorney Rooney addressed Council Member questions on topics that included enforceability, speed limits, and fines. Mayor Gibson called for public comment; seeing none, Council Member Carr motioned to approve, Seconded by Council Member Corrie. **The motion carried 6-0. Ordinance 26-07 adopted.***

9. Mayor and Council Member Items:

- A. Discussion regarding establishing a historical preservation evaluation policy, and direction to staff. (Corrie, Green Sheet 26-06-099)

Council Member Corrie led the discussion, explaining that the purpose of the draft policy outlined in the Green Sheet is to clarify the criteria Council uses when considering the historical significance of property. City Attorney Rooney noted that the draft appears to function as guidelines for Council, and therefore would be appropriate for inclusion in the City's Administrative Code by resolution. Council Member Fitzpatrick requested amending Section 2(F) from "enhances downtown vitality" to "enhances community vitality." Council Members expressed support for the draft and commended Council Member Corrie for his thorough work. Staff will review the draft and make revisions as appropriate for Council Member Corrie to bring back at a future meeting.

10. City Attorney Items:

- A. **ADDENDUM:** Authorize City Manager to execute additional Opioid Settlement Agreements and other documents as requested by the Florida Attorney General. (Green Sheet 26-06-100)

*City Attorney Rooney summarized the background of national opioid settlements and explained that today's action would authorize the City Manager to execute the attached agreement and any additional participation and settlement documents required by the Florida Attorney General. He also clarified that under an Interlocal Agreement with Lee County, the City's allocation of settlement funds is administered by the County. Council Member Fullick motioned to approve, Seconded by Council Member Bogacz. **The motion carried 6-0.***

11. City Manager Items:

- A. **Approve Florida Division of Emergency Management Hazard Mitigation Grant Management (HMGP) contract agreement for Central Bonita Springs Neighborhood Elevation Project.** (Green Sheet 26-06-093)

*Elly Soto McKuen, Senior Project Manager, provided a brief history of the City's grant application and an overview of the proposed contract agreement. She stated the houses identified in the elevation project are either located in a Special Flood Hazard Area or are designated a repetitive loss/severe repetitive loss property. 75% of project costs are funded by FEMA, with 25% provided by the property owners. Ms. McKuen also noted the project is identified in the City's Capital Improvement Plan. Council Member Corrie motioned to approve, Seconded by Council Member Fitzpatrick. **The motion carried 6-0.***

Additional City Manager Items

Lisa Griggs Roth, Director of Finance & Administrative Service, presented on the Lee County Property Appraiser's June 1st Estimate of Tax Roll Values (presentation on file in the Clerk's Office).

City Manager Hunter informed Council that staff are currently evaluating the potential impacts of the recently approved joint legislative resolution which places a constitutional amendment ballot question on the November General Election ballot regarding expanding the existing homestead exemption. She noted that it is too early to determine any specific budgetary adjustments or service-level impacts. Staff will provide updates as additional information becomes available.

12. Mayor and Council Member Reports

Council Member Bogacz: Reported that Bonita Springs Firefighters Union will again host the Fourth of July parade and noted that sponsorship opportunities remain open until July 15. She encouraged attendance at both the parade and the City's Star-Spangled Bonita Celebration, which begins at 6:00 p.m. She also stressed the importance of maintaining civility and respect when disagreeing on issues.

Council Member Carr: Commended everyone involved in the Memorial Day Ceremony and congratulated Jenna Persons-Mulicka on her gubernatorial appointment as Lee County Supervisor of Elections.

Council Member Corrie: Addressed the property tax constitutional amendment on expanding the homestead exemption, which will appear on the November General Election ballot.

Council Member Fullick: Reported on the strong attendance and success of the Memorial Day Ceremony and thanked all involved. He also congratulated the Bohemian and the Canary Club for their inclusion in the Michelin Guide.

Council Member Fitzpatrick: Encouraged residents to bring comments and ideas directly to Council during meetings rather than posting on social media.

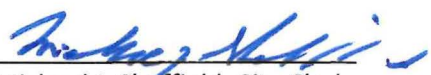
Mayor Gibson: Congratulated the Bohemian and the Canary Club for their inclusion in the Michelin Guide and recognized Thomas McGuire, Bonita Springs High School flag football coach, for being named Coach of the Year at the 2026 SWFL Sports Awards.

13. Public Comment

Kyle Moran – Commented on the value of differing opinions in a democracy, emphasizing that harassment of elected officials is unacceptable. He also noted the importance of fostering community, culture, and commerce.

14. Adjournment - *There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.*

PREPARED AND ATTESTED BY:


Michael J. Sheffield, City Clerk

APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL

Date: 6/17/26


Mike Gibson, Mayor