



**TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES
TOWN COUNCIL COMMUNITY OPEN DISCUSSION WORKSHOP
OCTOBER 18, 2022**

Meeting audio available in Town Clerk's Office

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Shorr called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

COMMENTS FROM TOWN COUNCIL

Councilmember Maniglia

- Spoke about the letter that went out regarding collection of easements- doesn't feel that the letter was getting to the meat and potato of what they were asking. Councilmember Miles stated that she thought that this was supposed to be targeted to the roads that were going to be on the plan that was going to be paved. Surprise that she got a blanket letter, and she is on a road that is not being paved. There was discussion among the Town Council and Town Staff. Councilmember Maniglia also stated that the information that was received from Mr. Brown stated that all review and editing was done by Town staff. Town Manager Ramaglia responded to Councilmember Maniglia. Councilmember Maniglia also stated that she was very concerned about their website. Mr. Peters, Public Works Director also commented on this topic.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were public comments made by the following Virginia Standish.

Virginia Standish- speaking on behalf of the Loxahatchee Groves Landowners Association

- Ms. Standish also wanted to speak about the letter that went out and stated that it stated some dates in November and December and she has never heard staff speak about those dates and a lot of errors that have been discussed. She continued to express her concerns. She also spoke about roadway designs. She also urges the Town to take caution. She also spoke about water quality.

Vice Mayor Danowski asked were there quotes. Town Manager Ramaglia responded Vice Mayor Danowski's question. Councilmember Maniglia asked Mr. Peters did he ever get a proposal from Brien Aquatics. Mr. Peters responded to Councilmember Maniglia's question. Councilmember Maniglia asked Town Council did they mind if Mr. Peters were to get another quote from Mr. Brien.

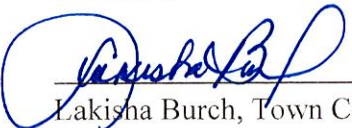
There was consensus from Town Council to ask for another quote from Brien Aquatics without using our equipment.

Mayor Shorr stated that there is only one USDA Organic farmer is a mushroom farm. He then went to explain. Ms. Standish responded by stating that she was speaking of nurseries.

ADJOURNMENT

The workshop was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

ATTEST:

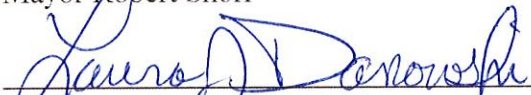


Lakisha Burch, Town Clerk

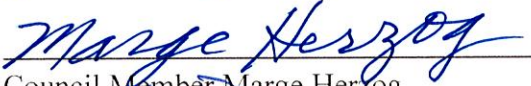
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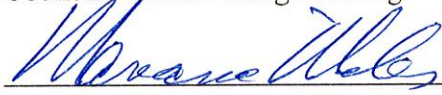
Mayor Robert Shorr



Vice Mayor Laura Danowski



Council Member Marge Herzog



Council Member Maryann Miles



Council Member Phillis Maniglia



**TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES
TOWN COUNCIL WORKSHOP/SPECIAL MEETING
OCTOBER 18, 2022**

Meeting audio available in Town Clerk's Office

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Shorr called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Shorr led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor Shorr led a prayer.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Robert Shorr, Vice Mayor Laura Danowski, Councilmembers Phillis Maniglia, Marianne Miles, and Margaret Herzog, Town Manager Francine L. Ramaglia, Town Attorney Elizabeth Lenihan, Esq., Public Works Director Larry Peters, Assistant Public Works Director Mario Matos, Town Planning Consultant James Fleishmann, and Town Clerk Lakisha Burch.

ADDITIONS, DELETIONS AND MODIFICATIONS

Motion was made by Vice Mayor Danowski seconded by Councilmember Miles to approve the agenda as is it was voted as follows: Ayes: Mayor Shorr, Vice Mayor Danowski, Councilmembers Herzog, Maniglia, and Miles. Motion passed unanimously.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

There was public comment made by Sara Baxter.

PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION

1. Discussion of extending hours for Piquet Entertainment and Racetrack owned by Lantana Holdings, LLC, currently known as "Paintball" is having a Halloween Party and would like to extend hours 1:00 a.m.

Motion was made by Vice Mayor Danowski seconded by Councilmember Herzog to receive and file Halloween Bash-Special Event Site Layout; it was voted as follows: Ayes: Mayor Shorr, Vice Mayor Danowski, Councilmembers Herzog, Maniglia, and Miles. Motion passed unanimously.

Joni Brinkman from Urban Design Studio and Juliana Chase from Piquet Entertainment and Racetrack presented the item.

There was public comment from Cassie Suchy.

Motion was made by Mayor Shorr seconded by Councilmember Miles to extend hours of operating to 1:00 a.m. and clean up until 2:00 a.m. contingent upon meeting items 1-7 stated conditions plus utilizing Coastal dumpster as the final trash removal per our franchise agreement, having the bond and insurance, having the Fire Rescue involved to determine Occupancy and properly labeled exit paths, notify all people west of Seminole Pratt Road and Building Official will do a safety inspection of temporary facility of the event; it was voted as follows: Ayes: Mayor Shorr, Vice Mayor Danowski, Councilmembers Herzog, and Miles. Nay: Councilmember Maniglia. Motion passed 4-1.

CONSENT AGENDA

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes. **PULLED FROM CONSENT AGENDA**
 - a. 08 30 22 Initial Selection Audit Committee Meeting
 - b. 09 27 22 Special Final Budget Hearing
 - c. 10 03 22 Attorney Client Closed Session Meeting Minutes

Councilmember Maniglia stated that she doesn't want them in on the Consent Agenda, just put them on the regular agenda, so that she could vote nay.

Town Attorney Lenihan stated that we could go back to Action meeting in which the State requires.

Mayor Shorr stated a correction on page 15 that it looks like funds were missing, Town Manager Ramaglia stated it should be funds. Town Manager Ramaglia asked for clarification from Town Council regarding just doing Action Minutes.

There was a consensus from Town Council to go back to just Action Minutes of the motions.

Motion was made by Councilmember Maniglia seconded by Councilmember Miles to approve item 2a, b, and c. meeting minutes; it was voted as follows: Ayes: Mayor Shorr, Vice Mayor Danowski, Councilmembers Herzog, and Miles. Nay: Councilmember Maniglia. Motion passed 4-1.

3. Consideration of *Resolution No. 2022-74* appointment of Cassie Suchy to the Finance Audit and Advisory Committee (FAAC). **PULLED FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

There was public comment by Virginia Standish.

Motion was made by Councilmember Maniglia seconded by Councilmember Herzog to approve Resolution No. 2022-74 to appoint Cassie Suchy the Finance Audit and Advisory Committee (FAAC); it was voted as follows: Ayes: Mayor Shorr, Vice Mayor Danowski, Councilmembers Herzog, Maniglia, and Miles. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING

4. Consideration of **Resolution No. 2022-69** approving the Culvers Sign Variance, for land owned by Solar Sport Systems, Inc. consisting of 1.397 acres more or less, located on the north side of the north side of Southern Blvd. east of "B" Road, Loxahatchee Groves. (Quasi-Judicial)

Town Attorney Lenihan gave a brief introduction of what is Quasi-Judicial and how to proceed in the Quasi-Judicial process.

Case Bethel, franchise owner of Culvers addressed Town Council.

There was public comment by Cassie Suchy.

Motion was made by Vice Mayor Danowski seconded by Councilmember Maniglia to approve Resolution No. 2022-69 as recommended by the Planning Zoning Board and staff approving the Culvers' sign variance, for land owned by Solar Sportsystems, Inc. consisting of 1.397 acres more of less, located on the north side of Southern Blvd. east of "B" Road Loxahatchee Groves, FL, legally described in Exhibit "A" to this resolution; it was voted as follows: Ayes: Mayor Shorr, Vice Mayor Danowski, Councilmembers Herzog, Maniglia, and Miles. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Consideration of **Ordinance No. 2022-01** adopting on second reading the annual update to the Capital Improvements Element of the Comprehensive Plan consistent with Chapter 163, Florida Statutes.

Town Attorney Lenihan read the Ordinance into the record.

Motion was made by Councilmember Maniglia seconded by Vice Mayor Danowski to approve on second reading Ordinance No. 2022-01 adopting the Annual update to the Capital Improvements Element of the Comprehensive Plan consistent with Chapter 163, Florida Statutes; it was voted as follows: Ayes: Mayor Shorr, Vice Mayor Danowski, Councilmembers Herzog, Maniglia, and Miles. Motion passed unanimously.

6. Consideration of **Ordinance No. 2202-02** adopting on second reading calling for a referendum of the qualified electors of the Town of Loxahatchee Groves to be held on March 14, 2023, as to whether the Town of Loxahatchee Groves Charter shall be amended in the following respect: amend paragraph (12) of Section 5 "Legislative of the Charter to provide for signature authority by the Mayor.

Town Attorney Lenihan read the Ordinance into the record.

There were public comments from Cassie Suchy and via email by Frances Holden and Deborah Marshall.

Motion was made by Mayor Shorr seconded by Councilmember Miles to approve on second reading Ordinance No. 2022-02 calling for a referendum of the Qualified Electors of the Town of Loxahatchee Groves to be held on March 14, 2023, as to whether the Town of

Loxahatchee Groves Charter shall be amended in the following respect: amend paragraph (12) of Section 5 “Legislative” of the Charter providing for Notice and Advertising of the referendum; it was voted as follows: Ayes: Mayor Shorr and Councilmember Miles. Nays: Vice Mayor Danowski, Councilmembers Herzog and Maniglia. Motion failed 2-3.

WORKSHOP AGENDA

7. Discussion on scope and timing of State required Evaluation and Appraisal Report of Comprehensive Plan.

Town Planning Consultant Fleishmann presented the item to Town Council. There was discussion among Town Council and Town Staff.

There was consensus by Town Council to have an additional hour to the Agenda Review Workshop Meeting to discuss the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).

8. Discussion on sign code.

There was consensus by Town Council to have Town Attorney to review the sign code and give Town Council final version to discuss and delete everything that is not up to Code by State regulations.

9. Discussion on the Veteran’s Day Ceremony.

Town Manager Ramaglia presented the item stating that staff will be bringing forth a resolution outlining upcoming Town events for Town Council approval. There was discussion among Town Council and Town Staff discussing upcoming Veteran’s Day Celebration.

There was consensus by Town Council that there would be a parade and celebration of Veteran’s Day on Saturday, November 5, 2022. That the following will be done:

Mayor Shorr will be responsible for getting badges (50), flyers out to residents and contact Loxahatchee Groves Irrigation who will be donating water. Vice Mayor Danowski will be responsible for chairs (50). Councilmember Maniglia will contact twirlers, gulf carts, and goody bags. Palm Beach County Rescue will be responsible for having the flag and truck, and color guard. Town Hall will be responsible for refreshments, permission from the owner of building across the street and contact Tom Blake.

TOWN STAFF COMMENTS

Town Manager

- Thanked everyone for a great meeting

Town Attorney

- No comments

Public Works Director

- No comments

Assistant Public Works Director

- No comments

Town Clerk

- No comments

TOWN COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

Phillis Maniglia (Seat 1)

- Sherriff – wish they would have been represented also want them to be more visible in the Town
- Referendum question- is it too late to have one placed on the ballot
- Committee members need to be in compliant when setting on boards- have applications for applicants for boards- like to see the United Land Development Committee (ULDC) and Roadway, Equestrian Trails Greenway Advisory Committee (RETGAC) to come back
- RFP or RFQ time for planning, engineering, garbage, and code enforcement

Marianne Miles (Seat 3)

- Spoke about clear cutting
- 3 way-stop sign- northern entrance to Publix

There was consensus by Town Council for staff to look into the above-mentioned topic.

- Update on FPL hurricane outage

Margaret Herzog (Seat 5)

- Spraying
- Coastal contract
- Tree clearing

Vice Mayor Laura Danowski (Seat 2)

- Vegetation collection in demand
- Employee manual- has it been completed
- Health insurance
- Pipes

Mayor Robert Shorr (Seat 4)

- FDA-Floodplain
- Read for the Record- Thursday, October 27, 2022
- Coffee with the Mayor- November 19, 2022

ADJOURNMENT

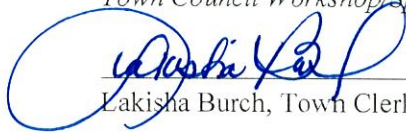
There being no further business the meeting was at 10:03 p.m.

ATTEST:

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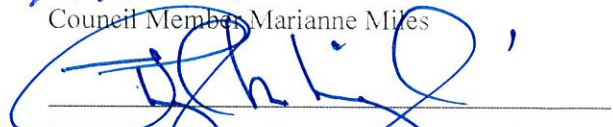
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