



Lake Park Town Commission, Florida

Regular Commission Meeting Minutes

Commission Chamber, Town Hall, 535 Park Avenue, Lake Park, FL 33403

Wednesday August 19, 2026

Immediately following the Special Called CRA Meeting

Roger Michaud	—	Mayor
Michael Hensley	—	Vice Mayor
John Linden	—	Commissioner
Michael O'Rourke	—	Commissioner
Judith Thomas	—	Commissioner
Richard J. Reade	—	Town Manager
Thomas J. Baird	—	Town Attorney
Vivian Mendez, MMC	—	Town Clerk

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CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

7:29 P.M.

PRESENT

Mayor Roger Michaud

Vice Mayor Michael Hensley

Commissioner John Linden

Commissioner Michael O'Rourke

ABSENT

Commissioner Judith Thomas

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge was conducted during the Commission Budget Workshop.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion to approve the agenda made by Vice Mayor Hensley, Seconded by Commissioner Linden.

Voting Yea: Mayor Michaud, Vice Mayor Hensley, Commissioner Linden, Commissioner O'Rourke.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION/REPORT:

1. Presentation - Children's Services Council of Palm Beach County
Mr. John Berstein of CSC presented (Exhibit A).
2. Presentation - Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office - District 10 - 2025 Annual Report
Captain Terria Sanford presented to the Commission (Exhibit B).
3. Presentation - Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office Citizens Law Enforcement Academy (CLEA)
Deputy Van Hoosier explained the program and provided a flyer. (Exhibit C).

PUBLIC COMMENT:

This time is provided for addressing items that do not appear on the agenda. Please complete a comment card and provide it to the Town Clerk so speakers may be announced. Please remember comments are limited to a TOTAL of three minutes.

-Michael Steinhauer provided written comments via Exhibit D.

-Michael Nowick spoke about license plate readers.

-Sue Lafontaine provided written comments via Exhibit E.

CONSENT AGENDA:

All matters listed under this item are considered routine and action will be taken by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Commissioner or person so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the general order of business and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda. Any person wishing to speak on an agenda item is asked to complete a public comment card located on either side of the Chambers and given to the Town Clerk. Cards must be submitted before the item is discussed.

Motion to approve the consent agenda made by Vice Mayor Hensley, seconded by Commissioner Linden.

Voting Aye: All

4. Regular commission Meeting Minutes - August 5, 2026
5. Resolution 63-08-26 – Amendment (Renewal – Addendum #23) – Law Enforcement Service Agreement – Palm Beach County Sheriff’s Office – FY 2027 - \$4,061,845
6. Resolution 64-08-26 – Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Grant Amendment #002 (Revised) - Palm Beach County Department of Housing and Economic Development (DHED) - Kelsey Park Splash Pad Project – \$37,209 (Total Grant Funding \$438,125)

PUBLIC HEARING(S) - ORDINANCE ON FIRST READING:

7. Ordinance 08-2026 - Amendment - Town of Lake Park Code of Ordinances - Chapter 9 - Article II - Code Enforcement - Section 9-37(c) - Special Magistrates and Section 9-39(e) - Conduct of Hearing

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF LAKE PARK, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 9, ARTICLE II, SECTIONS 9-37(c) AND 9-39(e) OF THE TOWN CODE, ENTITLED “COLLECTION OF COSTS” AND “FILING OF LIEN”, PERTAINING TO HEARINGS AND FINES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF LAWS IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Community Development Director Nadia DiTommaso explained the item (Exhibit F).

Motion to approve Ordinance 08-2026 on first reading made by Commissioner O’Rourke. Seconded by Commissioner Linden.

Voting Aye; All.

Town Attorney Baird read the Ordinance by title only.

PUBLIC HEARING(S) - ORDINANCE ON SECOND READING: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

8. Resolution 65-08-26 - Collaborative Agreement - BRIDGES of Lake Park.

Item 8 was pulled and will be placed on the agenda for September 2nd. Town Attorney Baird stated that the legal review is still pending.

9. Resolution 66-08-26 - Town of Lake Park Master Fee Schedule (Update).

Motion to approve Resolution 66-08-26 made by Commissioner Linden, Seconded by Vice Mayor Hensley.

Voting Yea: Mayor Michaud, Vice Mayor Hensley, Commissioner Linden, Commissioner O'Rourke.

Public Comment was made after the vote:

-Susan LaFontaine stated that she did not agree with the Library room rental fee.

10. Resolution 67-08-26 – Construction Services Agreement (ITB #116-2026) – Evergreen House Restoration & Preservation – Phase 2 Interior Improvements with Limited Phase 1 Exterior Work – LaPorta Contracting, LLC – \$300,000.00.

Public Works Director Jaime Morales explained the item (Exhibit G). Commissioner Linden reported a concern with the floor in the back storage room being in danger of collapsing. Public Works Director Morales stated that it is included within the project as a modification. Commissioner O'Rourke asked what work will be included with this project. Public Works Director Morales stated that they will complete the interior improvements so that the society can move back in and then they would complete whatever exterior improvements they could with whatever remaining funds were left and anticipates the society being able to move back in by December.

Motion to approve Resolution 67-08-26 made by Commissioner Linden, Seconded by Commissioner O'Rourke.

Voting Yea: Mayor Michaud, Vice Mayor Hensley, Commissioner Linden, Commissioner O'Rourke.

TOWN ATTORNEY, TOWN MANAGER, COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

-Town Attorney Baird announced that due to the results of the sunshine law lawsuit, their office expects to file a motion for summary judgement against Forest Development asking the judge to

void the selection of Forest, the adoption of the comprehensive agreement and leases. He requested an Attorney-Client session for a separate meeting date other than a Regular Commission meeting date. He would like to discuss the status of pending litigation and recommendations in terms of litigation costs and strategy.

-Town Manager Reade brought a discrepancy within the agenda item for the PBSO contract renewal to the Commissions attention and advised them that they had voted on the correct language. He also requested a proclamation for Florida Redevelopment Week, which was approved by the Town Commission. Town Manager Reade announced the upcoming Sunset Celebration and Multi-cultural festival and also a Budget Forum taking place Saturday August 22nd.

-Mayor Michaud offered condolences to Commissioner Thomas on the loss of her mother. He stated that Amendment 3 information was forthcoming on the Property Appraiser's website.

-Commissioner Linden spoke about wanting to discuss the millage rate and also wants to discuss Amendment 3.

-Vice Mayor Hensley enjoyed the Florida League of Cities conference and that Amendment 3 education is needed.

-Commissioner O'Rourke stated that he is disappointed with the Sunshine lawsuit because he was never given an opportunity to defend himself. He suggested going to the Governor's Office to have several members of the Commission removed from office. Mayor Michaud spoke about how the way to move forward is to be the best ambassadors to the residents that they can possibly be and to not allow anything to divide them.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn made by Vice Mayor Hensley. Seconded by Commissioner Linden.

Voting Aye: All

Meeting adjourned 9:02 P.M.

FUTURE MEETING DATE: Next Scheduled Regular Commission Meeting will be held on September 2, 2026.

Mayor Roger D. Michaud

Town Seal

Town Clerk, Vivian Mendez, MMC

Deputy Town Clerk, Laura Weidgans

Approved on this _____ of _____, 2026