



TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES
TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 6, 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, and Town Clerk Lakisha Burch.

ADDITIONS, DELETIONS AND MODIFICATIONS

Motion was made by Councilmember Maniglia seconded by Vice Mayor Danowski to move item 7 before item 6; it was voted as follows: Ayes: Mayor Shorr, Vice Mayor Danowski, Councilmembers Herzog, Maniglia, and Miles. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Vice Mayor Danowski seconded by Councilmember Miles to approve the agenda with modifications; 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 were no public comments.

CONSENT AGENDA

2. Consideration of **Resolution No. 2022-85** approving Renewal of Master Agreement with Palm Beach Aggregates.

Motion was made by Vice Mayor Danowski seconded by Councilmember Herzog to approve item # 2 on the Consent Agenda; it was voted as follows: Ayes: Mayor Shorr, Vice Mayor Danowski, Councilmembers Herzog, Maniglia, and Miles. Motion passed unanimously.

1. Consideration of **Resolution No. 2022-84** approving appointment of Audrey Friedrich to Planning & Zoning Board. **PULLED OFF CONSENT AGENDA**

There was public comment by Todd McLendon.

Motion was made by Vice Mayor Danowski seconded by Councilmember Miles to approve Resolution No. 2022-84 approving appointment of Audrey Friedrich; 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. 2022-86** approving Work Authorization for Johnson/Davis regarding Equestrian Bridge. **PULLED OFF CONSENT AGENDA**

Town Manager Ramaglia presented the item.

There was public comment by Todd McLendon.

Motion was made by Councilmember Maniglia seconded by Councilmember Herzog to approve Resolution No. 2022-86 approving the scope and pricing for installation of an Equestrian Bridge Culvert at Collecting Canal Road and C Road; it was voted as follows: Ayes: Mayor Shorr, Vice Mayor Danowski, Councilmembers Herzog, Maniglia, and Miles. Motion passed unanimously.

4. Consideration of **Resolution No. 2022-87** approving Renewal of Piggyback Contract with SAFEbuilt Florida, LLC for Building Department related services. **PULLED OFF CONSENT AGENDA**

There was public comment by Cassie Suchy.

Motion was made by Vice Mayor Danowski seconded by Councilmember Maniglia to deny Resolution No. 2022-87 approving renewal of Piggyback Contract with SAFEbuilt Florida, LLC for Building Department related services; it was voted as follows; Aye: Vice Mayor Danowski, Councilmembers Herzog, and Maniglia. Nays: Mayor Shorr, and Councilmember Miles. Motion passed 3-2.

Vice Mayor Danowski rescinded the motion to deny Resolution No. 2022-87. Councilmember Maniglia withdrew her seconded.

Motion was made by Vice Mayor Danowski seconded by Councilmember Maniglia to approve Resolution No. 2022-87 approval of Piggyback Contract with SAFEbuilt Florida, LLC for Building Department related services; it was voted as follows: Ayes: Mayor Shorr, Vice Mayor Danowski, Councilmembers Herzog, Maniglia, and Miles. Motion passed unanimously.

PRESENTATION

5. SAFEbuilt (Code Enforcement) update.

Bernard Pita, Code Enforcement Manager for SAFEbuilt presented the item.

There was public comment by Cassie Suchy.

There was consensus by Town Council to have SAFEbuilt present before Council quarterly with a report.

REGULAR AGENDA

6. Consideration of ***Resolution No. 2022- 89*** regarding Gehring Group.

Samantha Ricchini, from the Gehring Group presented the item.

Motion was made by Councilmember Maniglia seconded by Councilmember Miles to approve Resolution No. 2022-89 approving the scope and pricing for employee insurance and related benefits; it was voted as follows: Ayes: Mayor Shorr, Vice Mayor Danowski, Councilmembers Herzog, Maniglia, and Miles. Motion passed unanimously.

7. Consideration of ***Resolution No. 2022- 90*** regarding the Town's lobbyist.

Town Manager Ramaglia presented the item.

There was consensus by Town Council to not continue with moving forward with the lobbyist.

Town Council asked each lobbyist a set of questions.

Motion was made by Councilmember Maniglia seconded by Councilmember Herzog to approve Resolution No. 2022-90 authorizing an agreement for lobbying/government affairs consulting services and authorizing the Town Manager and Town Attorney to take any actions necessary to finalize agreement implement this resolution; it was voted as follows: Ayes: Mayor Shorr, Vice Mayor Danowski, Councilmembers Herzog, and Miles. Nay: Councilmember Maniglia.

Town Council gave Town Clerk their top two choices for the lobbyist. Town Clerk Burch tallied the results. Town Clerk Burch stated that there was a tie between Ron Book and David Ramba.

Motion was made by Mayor Shorr seconded by Vice Mayor Danowski to have Town Manager meet with both firms; it was voted as follows: Ayes: Mayor Shorr, Vice Mayor Danowski, Councilmembers Herzog, Maniglia, and Miles. Motion passed unanimously.

8. Consideration of ***Resolution No. 2022-91*** providing direction to negotiate continuing contracts based on Evaluation & Selection Committee for RFQ 2022-01 recommended short list of Engineering, Surveying & Planning Services Firms.

Town Manager Ramaglia presented the item.

Motion was made by Vice Mayor Danowski seconded by Councilmember Maniglia to direct staff to negotiate continuing contracts based on the recommendations of the selection committee for RFQ # 2022-01 Engineering, Surveying and Planning Services; it was voted as follows: Ayes: Mayor Shorr, Vice Mayor Danowski, Councilmembers Herzog, Maniglia, and Miles. Motion passed unanimously.

9. Update on Road Paving Plan and Policy.

Larry Peters, Director of Public Works presented the item.

Motion was made by Councilmember Miles seconded by Vice Mayor Danowski to extend the meeting to 11:00 p.m.; it was voted as follows: Ayes: Mayor Shorr, Vice Mayor Danowski, Councilmembers Herzog, Maniglia, and Miles. Motion passed unanimously.

TOWN STAFF COMMENTS

Town Manager

- Expressed her feeling about the meeting
- Gave update regarding Florida Power & Light (hurricanes)
- Wished all a Happy Holiday

Town Attorney

- Gave update on the Smiley case

Public Works Director

- No comment

Town Clerk

- Gave a reminder about the parade meeting that will be held on Friday, December 9th, the working on the float will be Saturday, December 10th and the parade will be held on Sunday, December 11th.
- Reminder of the Holiday Gift Basket will be Friday, December 16th.
- Spoke about the upcoming Palm Beach League of Cities' Luncheon which will be held Wednesday, January 25, 2023.
- Also asked if the January 3rd meeting could be a Workshop Meeting and January 17th be a Regular Meeting-**Consensus by Town Council was yes.**

TOWN COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

Margaret Herzog (Seat 5)

- Inquired about the Finance Audit and Advisory Committee
- Wished everyone a Happy Holiday

Phillis Maniglia (Seat 1)

- Inquired about Finance Reports
- Inquired about the equipment at Public Works
- Inquired about the Public Works Department
- Looking forward to the New Year

Marianne Miles (Seat 3)

- Spraying of the bank

There was consensus by Town Council to bring back to discuss Community piles.

- Drones
- Looking forward to a great parade and good time
- Happy Holidays and stay safe

Vice Mayor Laura Danowski (Seat 2)

- Code Enforcement (ineffective)
- Thanked the Staff
- Appreciation to Town Council
- Wishing all a Happy Holiday

Mayor Robert Shorr (Seat 4)

- Asked Town Council to research things that are bought to them by residents/public
- Wishing all a Happy Holiday

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:08 p.m.

**TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES,
FLORIDA**

ATTEST:

Lakisha Burch, Town Clerk

Mayor Robert Shorr

Vice Mayor Laura Danowski

Councilmember Marge Herzog

Councilmember Maryann Miles

Councilmember Phillis Maniglia