



## **TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES TOWN COUNCIL WORKSHOP/SPECIAL MEETING**

**NOVEMBER 15, 2022**

*Meeting audio available in Town Clerk's Office*

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Shorr called meeting to order at 6:33 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**

Town Manager Ramaglia asked that item 8 be removed from the agenda, needs additional information. Vice Mayor Danowski asked if the Fire Department could give their monthly report after item 2 but before item 3.

**Motion was made by Vice Mayor Danowski seconded by Councilmember Miles to approve the modified agenda with item 8 being removed, and Fire Department giving there report after item 2 but before item 3; 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 Virginia Standish.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

**Councilmember Maniglia asked could item 2 be removed from the Consent Agenda.**

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes.
  - a. 11 01 22 Community Resident Workshop Meeting Minutes
  - b. 11 01 22 Town Council Regular Meeting Minutes

**Motion was made Councilmember Maniglia seconded by Councilmember Herzog to approve the Consent Agenda; it was voted as follows: Ayes: Mayor Shorr, Vice Mayor**

**Danowski, Councilmembers Herzog, and Miles. Nay: Councilmember Maniglia. Motion passed 4-1.**

2. Consideration of ***Resolution No. 2022-82*** extending the 2023 Municipal Qualifying Period. **PULLED FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

Town Clerk Burch presented this item.

**Councilmember Herzog stated that she qualified for the position and was advised by the Town Attorney not to speak on the item, so she recused herself from voting on this item.**

There were public comments by Paul Coleman, Todd McLendon, Brian McNeil (read into record by Town Clerk), Virginia Standish, and Cassie Suchy.

**Motion was made by Vice Mayor Danowski seconded by Councilmember Maniglia to deny Resolution No. 2022-82 and amend our Charter, ordinance to provide flexibility regarding natural disaster; it was voted as follows: Ayes: Vice Mayor Danowski and Councilmember Maniglia. Nays: Mayor Shorr and Councilmember Miles. Motion failed 2-2.**

**Motion was made by Mayor Shorr seconded by Vice Mayor Danowski to reopen the qualifying period for one day-closing being on Thursday at noon; it was voted as follows: Ayes: Mayor Shorr, and Vice Mayor Danowski. Nay: Councilmembers Maniglia, and Miles. Motion failed 2-2.**

**Motion was made by Mayor Shorr seconded by Councilmember Miles to not approve Resolution No. 2022-82 extending the Election Qualifying dates for the March 14, 2023, Municipal Election due to Tropical Storm/Hurricane Nicole; it was voted as follows: Ayes: Mayor Shorr, Vice Mayor Danowski, Councilmembers Herzog, Maniglia, and Miles. Motion passed unanimously.**

Phillip Allivara, from Palm Beach County Fire Rescue presented the monthly report to Town Council.

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

3. Consideration of ***Ordinance No. 2022-04*** on second reading of code enforcement of Site Development.

Town Attorney Lenihan read Ordinance No. 2022-04 into the record.

Town Attorney Lenihan presented the item to Town Council.

**Motion was made by Councilmember Maniglia seconded by Vice Mayor Danowski to approve Ordinance No. 2022-04 on second reading of Code Enforcement of Site Development; it was voted as follows: Ayes: Mayor Shorr, Vice Mayor Danowski, Councilmembers Herzog, Maniglia, and Miles. Motion passed unanimously.**

## **DISCUSSION**

4. Update on the Western Community Holiday Parade.

Town Clerk Burch presented the item to Town Council.

**There was a consensus that on the theme of the float, date of creating the float which will be held on December 10, 2022.**

5. Discussion on the Evaluation and Appraisal Report of Comprehensive Plan (EAR).

Town Manager Ramaglia presented the item.

There were public comments made by Paul Coleman and Cassie Suchy.

**There was consensus made by Town Council to discuss the Evaluation and Appraisal Report of Comprehensive Plan (EAR) at the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays after the Agenda Review that starts at 4:00 also advertise for 4:30 p.m.**

6. Discussion of lobbyist/Government Affairs Consulting Services.

Town Manager Ramaglia presented the item.

**Motion was made by Councilmember Maniglia seconded by Councilmember Herzog to receive and file documents received by Town Manager; it was voted as follows: Ayes: Mayor Shorr, Vice Mayor Danowski, Councilmembers Herzog, Maniglia, and Miles. Motion passed unanimously.**

There were public comments made by the following: Paul Coleman and Virginia Standish.

**There was consensus made by Town Council to have staff look at grants/grant writer and ask lobbyist are they willing to do just the session only and focus only on (1) Canal System Rehabilitation Project (Canal dredging, muck disposal, restoration & re-sloping, surveying, testing services, etc., (2) Stormwater System Repair Program, and (3) Water Resiliency/Storm Water Retention/Aquifer Recharge Area.**

7. Discussion of Land Clearing.

Town Manager Ramaglia presented the item.

**There was consensus made by Town Council to move ahead with filling out permits and payments will be waived.**

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

8. Consideration of **Resolution No. 2022-83** ratifying the Mutual Aid Agreement with Indian Trail Improvement District. **PULLED FROM THE AGENDA**

## **TOWN STAFF COMMENTS**

### **Town Manager**

- Hiring of staff -Contracts to be used
- December 6<sup>th</sup> meeting with have an item regarding Historic Legacy
- Out of the office Thursday and Friday, November 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>.
- SAFEbuilt-update
- CCNA- tomorrow at 8:30 a.m.- Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> ranking and selection
- Committee Members

- Solid Waste- bring back in February
  - Post storm pickup this Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup>
- Thanked Public Works, Fire department and Indian Trail Improvement District (ITID)

**Town Attorney**

No Comment

**Public Works Director**

- Thanked the limited staff for working during the storm
- Gave update on the pump-replacement of motor

**Town Clerk**

- Announced who qualified for the March 14<sup>th</sup> Election- Councilmember Herzog will be unopposed
- Holiday Gratitude Basket Give A-Way- December 16<sup>th</sup>
- Town of Loxahatchee Groves will be hosting the Palm Beach County League of Cities on January 25<sup>th</sup> – Palm Beach State College

**TOWN COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Maniglia seconded by Vice Mayor Danowski to extend the meeting to 11:30 p.m.; it was voted as follows: Ayes: Mayor Shorr, Vice Mayor Danowski, Councilmembers Herzog, Maniglia, and Miles. Motion passed unanimously.**

**Marianne Miles (Seat 3)**

- Florida Power Light (FPL) status on outage during Hurricane Ian and Nicole
- Thanked Larry Peter for stop sign removal
- Asked about the changing of signs at the Publix Shopping Center
- Thanked Public Works for their handling of the storm

**Margaret Herzog (Seat 5)**

- Thanked everyone for their support
- Asked how to proceed with Di annexation of 100 acres
- Sending a thank you letter to Melissa McKinley
- Asked what is happening on D Road and Collecting Canal
- Gave information on the Loxahatchee Groves Landowners Association adopting a road- December 3<sup>rd</sup>

**Phillis Maniglia (Seat 1)**

- Congratulation to Marge for being unopposed
- Committees
- Double lines on the paved roads
- Grading schedule
- Easements

**Vice Mayor Laura Danowski (Seat 2)**

- Kudos to Public Works- banks mowed
- Code Enforcement

**There was consensus by Town Council to allow Town Manager Ramaglia to look into hiring an in-house Code Enforcement Officer.**

**Mayor Robert Shorr (Seat 4)**

- Ribbon cutting- Palm Beach State College
- Loxahatchee Groves Elementary School- Veteran's Day event
- Coffee with the Mayor- November 19<sup>th</sup> 8:00 a.m. to noon
- Veteran's Day Ceremony was good

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 11:30 p.m.

**TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES,  
FLORIDA**

ATTEST:

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Lakisha Burch, Town Clerk

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Mayor Robert Shorr

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Vice Mayor Laura Danowski

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Councilmember Marge Herzog

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Council Member Phillis Maniglia

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Council Member Marianne Miles