

**MINUTES  
TOWN OF LAKE CLARKE SHORES  
BUDGET WORKSHOP  
JULY 9, 2019  
6:30 PM**

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**A) ROLL CALL**

Valentin Rodriguez, Jr., Mayor  
Paul R. Shalhoub, Vice Mayor  
Robert M. W. Shalhoub, President Pro Tem  
Gregory Freebold, Council Member

**B) MOMENT OF SILENCE, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, INVOCATION**

*(Moved from Regular Town Council Agenda)*

Mayor Rodriguez requested a moment of silence for Town resident Teresa M. Vizcarra, who passed away. The Most Reverend Father Peter Sphortun of St. Mary's Orthodox Church of West Palm Beach gave the invocation, then led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. PRESENTATION OF PROPOSED 2019/2020 TOWN BUDGET**

**A) Dan Clark, Town Administrator**

Mr. Clark noted that this is his ninth budget presentation to the Town Council. He discussed the following items in the proposed 2019/2020 budget for the four different funds:

General Fund –

- General Fund is balanced.
- Millage Rate to remain the same at 6.2798, which is 6.49% higher than the current year roll-back rate.
- No change in staffing or insurance contributions.
- Up to 2.8% merit increases.
- Garbage collection costs are up by 3%.
- Capital improvements include – Munis and server upgrades, new police vehicle, boat lift and cover for Boat Ramp Park and tennis court fencing.

Surtax Fund –

- Expenditures are lower than last year.

- Road repaving projects on hold until after sewer impact has been decided.
- Storm drain improvements will be done at various locations.
- Pine Tree Bridge plans still ongoing.

#### CRA –

- Tax base within CRA has increased 28% since CRA base value was established in 2016.
- Estimated \$46,500 combined TIF revenue from PBC and Town.
- Consulting Financial Advisor to review future CRA Funding options.
- Median improvements and Business Development Incentive Projects will continue.

#### Utility Fund –

- Will hire one additional employee.
- Up to 2.8% merit increases.
- No new debt proposed.
- New Rate Study included in budget.
- Update to 10 year capital improvement plan.
- Capital improvements include – Munis upgrade, new vehicle and standby pump.

### **3. COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

President Pro Tem Shalhoub – thanked Mr. Clark for his work on the proposed budget. He also noted that he received good feedback from members of the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council regarding Mr. Clark’s June 21<sup>st</sup> presentation on the LCS CRA.

He discussed the limited amount of Infrastructure Surtax dollars that the Town receives on an annual basis, the roll back rate and the amount that the Town receives from pavilion rental fees.

Mr. Clark noted that the Town will be piggybacking from the PBC contract for road resurfacing. He also noted that the difference between the proposed millage rate and the rollback rate is approximately \$72.00 per residential property.

There was discussion between the Town Council Members regarding the pavilion rentals fees. It was determined that the existing rental fees help maintain the pavilions and parks.

Council Member Freebold – asked about the landscape agreement and the work that ABM will be doing.

Mr. Clark noted that ABM is working on the medians along Forest Hill Boulevard at this time. He also noted that A/C repairs will start soon at the Town Hall.

#### 4. AUDIENCE COMMENTS:

William Murphy, 1841 Evergreen Drive – noted that other municipalities have went through the same issue with their pavilions and when they do not charge for renting the pavilion, the parks get trashed.

Marty Barker, 8260 Pine Tree Lane – noted that people like to get their deposits back, so they make sure that they clean the pavilion after they rent it.

#### 5. ADJOURNMENT

**Motion was made by Council Member Freebold to adjourn the Budget Workshop at 7:02 p.m., seconded by Vice Mayor Shalhoub; Motion approved (4-0).**

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Valentin Rodriguez, Jr., Mayor

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Mary Pinkerman, Town Clerk