

**MINUTES  
TOWN OF LAKE CLARKE SHORES  
HYBRID TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
NOVEMBER 10, 2020**

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**1. Call to Order**

A. Mayor Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

The following officials were present:

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

B. Moment of Silence, Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Rodriguez requested a moment of silence for all of the people who have died from COVID-19 in the past month. The Most Reverend Father Peter Sphortun of St. Mary's Orthodox Church of West Palm Beach, gave the invocation then led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. Approval of Agenda**

**Motion made by President Pro Tem Shalhoub to approve the Agenda, seconded by Vice Mayor Shalhoub; Motion approved (5-0).**

**3. Consent Agenda**

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the October 13, 2020 Town Council Meeting.
- B. Approval of Resolution 2020-21 – Expressing Appreciation to Terry Glenn for his selfless service on the Zoning Board of Adjustment
- C. Approval of Resolution 2020-22 – Authorizing General Fund budget transfers for fiscal year 2019/2020.
- D. Approval of Resolution 2020-23 – Updating User Fees & Charges Schedule to include cost of 35 gallon trash receptacle.
- E. Approval of Proclamation proclaiming November 15 – 22, 2020 as National Hunger and Homeless Awareness Week.
- F. Acceptance of the Infrastructure Surtax Citizen Oversight Committee Annual Report.

- G. Approval of purchase of pipeline inspection equipment in the amount of \$28,995.00 from CUES, Inc. pursuant to the Piggyback Agreement between CUES, Inc. and Houston-Galveston Area Council of Governments.
- H. Approval of Equipment Use Agreement between the Town of Lake Clarke Shores and the Young Singers of the Palm Beaches, Inc.
  
- I. Approval of Revised Interlocal Agreement between the Town of Lake Clarke Shores and the Solid Waste Authority for the delivery of municipal solid waste to designated facilities and for a Municipal Revenue Sharing Recycling Program.
  
- J. Approval of Closed POD Agreement between the Town of Lake Clarke Shores and the Palm Beach County Department of Health.
  
- K. Approval to declare an Eaton Model PW 9155-8 Uninterruptible Power Supply S/N FY462FBB23 and associated equipment as surplus and allowing these items to be disposed.
  
- L. Approval of Land Use Permit – Shannon Debrincat, 8341 West Lake Drive – New seawall

**Motion made by President Pro Tem Shalhoub to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Vice Mayor Shalhoub; Motion approved (5-0).**

**4. Presentations**

- A. None

**5. Quasi-Judicial Proceedings**

- A. None

**6. Public Hearing**

- A. None

**7. Unfinished Business**

- A. None

**8. New Business**

- A. None

**9. Audience Comments**

- A. Emailed Questions/Comments – None

B. Written Questions/Comments – None

C. Verbal Questions/Comments – None

## **10. Status Report**

Chief Smith – noted information from his status report including: 5 people arrested last month; the Marine Unit on the waterways for 49 hours where they spoke with 45 boaters and issued 3 warnings; officers attended training courses; the special task force issued 9 search warrants. He also noted that there were no problems reported during the election or during Halloween.

President Pro Tem Shalhoub asked about the new speed signs along West Lake Drive. Chief Smith noted that a lot of data has been collected and he will have a report on this information ready soon.

Mr. Schoech – was not present at the meeting.

Mr. Clark – noted that he has received reasonable cost estimates on a new sound system and cameras for the Council Chambers to video tape and record meetings. He noted that there is an item on the Community Redevelopment Agency consent agenda that if passed, will allow the CRA to contribute to the cost of the system since the CRA Board Meetings are also being videotaped and recorded.

President Pro Tem Shalhoub asked Mr. Clark about the power outage that took place over the weekend. Mr. Clark noted that a transformer broke off of a power pole during the storm causing damage to a gas line. He noted that it was quite an ordeal to restore power, but the job was completed. No one was hurt and there was no property damage from the incident.

## **11. Council Comments**

Council Member Pavon – did not have any additional comments at this time.

Council Member Freebold – noted that while he was removing his boat from the lake prior to the approaching storm, he saw that the dumpster at the boat ramp was half full with debris that was collected during the waterway clean up. He thanked those that participated with the cleanup efforts.

He reminded everyone to reach out to their neighbors prior to and after storm events to make sure that they are alright.

He noted the election that took place on November 3<sup>rd</sup> and thanked all of the poll workers for the wonderful job that they did during the election. He also wished everyone a happy and safe Thanksgiving.

President Pro Tem Shalhoub – agreed with Council Member Freebold that it is a good idea to check on neighbors. He also noted that Palm Beach County has programs available to assist those that have been impacted by the effects of COVID-19. Those interested could apply online at the County’s website.

He noted that he will be attending virtual League of Cities Meetings in the next few months. He also noted that Mr. Clark was recognized for the second time as a “Home Rule Hero” by the League of Cities. He congratulated Mr. Clark and noted that it was an honor to be working with him.

Vice Mayor Shalhoub – congratulated Representative David Silvers, Senator Lori Berman and Commissioner David Kerner on retaining their seats during the November election. He noted he is looking forward to working with them on Town issues. He also congratulated Officer Dominguez on the birth of his baby.

He noted Terry Glenn’s resignation from the Zoning Board of Adjustment and thanked him for the seven years of service on the Board. He noted that there are open positions on both the Zoning Board of Adjustment and the Code Enforcement Board.

He thanked Waste Management for implementing the trash can rollout and for quickly addressing any complaints. He also thanked those attending the meeting.

Mayor Rodriguez – noted that he is very impressed with the service the Town receives from Waste Management. He noted that he watched them empty his new trash container and stated that they picked it up and had it emptied in a matter of seconds. He noted that he can see a need for additional 35 gallon containers since the 90 gallon containers may be harder for elderly people to handle.

He noted need to help those less fortunate. He appreciated the fact that the Town Council approved the proclamation that was on the Consent Agenda proclaiming November 15 – 22 as National Hunger and Homeless Awareness Week

He noted that not many children were out trick-or-treating this year. He also noted the Police Department’s presence along the roadways that night.

He noted that COVID-19 has been around for a while and does not appear to be going away very soon. He reminded people to keep socially distant and to wear face masks. He noted the plexi-glass dividers that have been placed between the Council Members to make sure that they were staying socially distant during the meetings and stated that the Town is trying very hard to keep everyone safe.

Mayor Rodriguez noted that the Town’s normal holiday events will not be taking place this year due to COVID-19 restrictions. He noted that Town staff will be video-taping the tree lighting at Memorial Park and will be posted on You-Tube.

## **12. Adjournment**

**Motion made by Vice Mayor Shalhoub to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 PM, seconded by President Pro Tem Shalhoub; Motion approved (5-0).**

Signature of Valentin Rodriguez, Jr., Mayor

Signature of Mary Pinkerman, Town Clerk