

**MINUTES
TOWN OF LAKE CLARKE SHORES
TOWN COUNCIL BUDGET WORKSHOP
JULY 13, 2021
6:30 PM**

1. Call to Order

A. Roll Call

Mayor Paul R. Shalhoub called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

The following officials were present:

Paul R. Shalhoub, Mayor
Robert M. W. Shalhoub, Vice Mayor
Valentin Rodriguez, Jr., Council Member
Albert Pavon, Council Member

The following official was absent:

Gregory Freebold, President Pro Tem

B. Moment of Silence, Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance
(moved from Regular Town Council Agenda)

Mayor Shalhoub requested a moment of silence for Franz Rankin, former Town resident and DeWitt C. (Bud) Inglis, father of prior Council Member Jim Inglis, who passed away recently. Pastor Stan Snizek, Pastor of the New Life Alliance Church, gave the invocation, then led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Presentation of Proposed 2021/2022 Town Budget

A. Daniel Clark, Town Manager

Mr. Clark noted that the economy has not quite recovered from COVID-19. He noted that the Town's December events will take place and the rest of the Town's annual events will restart January 2022.

He noted the following information regarding the proposed budgets:

General Budget:

- There will be limited capital and parks expenditures.
- No change in the millage rate of 6.2798 which is 5.06% higher than the roll back rate of 5.9775
- Taxable values are up 5.12%
- No changes in staff or benefits
- Up to 3.5% merit increase to meet CBA contract requirements
- Increase of 3% in garbage collection services
- Capital budget of \$75,000

Utility Fund:

- Unbalanced at this time.
- No changes in staff or benefits
- Up to 3.5% merit increase to meet CBA contract requirements
- No new debt service
- Change in amount being transferred from Utility Fund to General Fund from \$220,00 to \$180,00
- Two leased vehicles will be replaced and noted that the older trucks have a greater trade-in value at this time
- Capital Budget includes:
 - Engineering for MICA West
 - Widening of Lawrence Road
 - 12-inch water main

Infrastructure Surtax Fund:

- Estimated revenue of \$226,000
- Expenditures in the amount of \$1,120,169 include:
 - Drainage repairs
 - Road maintenance
 - Bridge construction that was delayed

CRA Fund:

- Estimated PBC TIF Contribution of \$30,860
- Estimated LCS TIF Contribution of \$40,530
- Planned expenditures of \$72,000 for beautification programs and Business Incentive Program

3. Council Comments

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

Mayor Rodriguez – asked about the Special Detail revenue and the amount noted for purchasing water from other sources.

Mr. Clark noted that the School District no longer needs our Police Officers, so the amount has been lowered. He noted that the money collected for the special details goes to the officer that works the detail. He also noted that the Town purchases water from Lake Worth, Palm Springs and they decide what the rate will be. Town codes allow for pass-through rate adjustments, and the Town adjusts its rates accordingly.

Vice Mayor Shalhoub – asked Mr. Clark to explain how the Town and Palm Beach County came up with the percentage that the Town collects for the CRA.

Mr. Clark noted that the percentage the Town collects from the PBC ad valorem will decrease as the taxable values within the CRA increases.

Mayor Shalhoub – thanked Mr. Clark for the work that he has done on the budget.

4. Audience Comments

- A. Emailed Questions – none
- B. Written Questions – none
- C. Verbal Questions – none

5. Adjournment

Motion made by Vice Mayor Shalhoub to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 PM, seconded by Council Member Rodriguez; Motion carried (4-0).

Paul R. Shalhoub, Mayor

Mary Pinkerman, Town Clerk