

**MINUTES
TOWN OF LAKE CLARKE SHORES
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 1, 2022**

1. Call to Order

A. Mayor Shalhoub called the meeting to order at 8:50 PM.

The following officials were present:

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

B. Moment of Silence, Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Shalhoub requested a moment of silence for resident Katheryn Gran and for Rene Fernandez-Padron, father of resident Miroslava Fernandez. Pastor Stan Sniezek, Pastor of the New Life Alliance Church, gave the invocation, then led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Approval of Agenda

Mayor Shalhoub noted a request for the Town to add an amendment to Agreement No. LPA0020 to the consent agenda.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Shalhoub to add the amendment to the consent agenda as Item 3. G, seconded by President Pro Tem Freebold; Motion approved (5-0).

Motion made by Vice Mayor Shalhoub to approve the Agenda after the addition of Item 3.G, seconded by President Pro Tem Freebold; Motion approved (5-0).

3. Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the February 1, 2021 Town Council Meeting.
- B. Approval of a Proclamation proclaiming the week of March 7 – 13, 2022 as Flood Awareness Week.
- C. Approval of Interlocal Agreement Governing Use of Palm Beach County Regional Opioid Settlement Funds subject to all blanks being completed by Palm Beach County.
- D. Approval of eCivis Master Subscription and Service Agreement for grants network software.

- E. Approval of Employee Handbook
- F. Approval of construction of a speed table located in front of 7131 West Lake Dr consistent with a petition signed by 84% of the residents in the immediate area. Speed table will be constructed using the standard design from Engenuity Group for a 20 MPH traffic control device. Approving a budget increase for an expenditure of approximately \$7,000 from the Infrastructure Surtax Fund (Budget amendment to follow).
- G. *Approval of Amendment No.1 to Agreement No. LPA0020 between the Town of Lake Clarke Shores and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection to extend the deadline for reimbursement of septic to sewer design expenses.*

Motion made by Vice Mayor Shalhoub to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by President Pro Tem Freebold; 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 –

Jennifer Chrzanowski, 7130 Pine Tree Lane (typed her question during the CRA meeting) – asked about the cost of MICA sewers. Mr. Clark typed his response that he would email the preliminary information to her.

- C. Verbal Questions/Comments (in person and virtually) –

Ashok Kulkarni, 8131 West Lake Drive – noted that he was impressed with the spring 2022 edition of the Shorelines. He also discussed paving the roadways and asked why the Town Hall lobby remains closed when other municipalities are fully open.

President Pro Tem Freebold noted that during the recession, the money in the budget for roadways was moved to use in other areas. Then money had to be moved due to issues that were mandated by the state. The Town has already repaved roads that will not be affected by the septic to sewer conversion and once the conversion is completed, the remaining roadways will be repaved.

Mr. Clark noted that the Town added over \$80,000 of audio/visual equipment, computers and laptops to the Council Chambers in order to hold virtual and hybrid meetings during COVID. Some of the equipment would be easy to remove without detection since the doors to the Chambers do not lock at this time.

Timothy Daughtry, 1410 Keller Road – encouraged the Town Council to attend the Palm Beach County Commission Workshop on March 29th where they will be discussing environmental/water bonds.

He also asked (during the CRA meeting) if the Town had a price for the MICA sewer project. It was noted that the Town had received the engineer's level of costs of the project earlier in the day.

10. Status Report

Chief Smith – noted that he received the UCR report and that crime is down in Town. He also noted the number of arrests made and the number of vehicles that were tagged and processed by the LPR cameras.

Assistant Chief Abruscato noted that vehicles continue to follow GPS instructions and turn onto the railroad tracks. He stated that the Town is waiting on approval to install the more permanent type of barriers which should prevent drivers from turning onto the railroad tracks.

Mr. Schoech – did not have any comments at this time.

Vice Mayor Shalhoub noted that Mr. Schoech did an excellent job moderating the Candidate Forum.

Mr. Clark – noted that the Town has requested over \$2,000,000 from the State Legislature this year, but he is not sure how much of the requested amount we will receive.

Mr. Lynch – noted that the design report is complete and that loans can be secured, if needed for the Phase II – MICA project.

11. Council Comments

Council Member Rodriguez – stated that he enjoyed the Candidate Forum and that he was thankful that he was unopposed. He noted that he was going to miss having Council Member Pavon on the Council and wished good luck to all the candidates that are running for positions on the Town Council.

President Pro Tem Freebold – thanked Council Member Pavon for all his work during his tenure on the Town Council.

Vice Mayor Shalhoub – noted that Council Member Pavon had a positive influence on the Town Council and that he will miss the input that he provided during the meetings.

Council Member Pavon – noted that he originally thought being a member of the Town Council was a once a month commitment, but found that there is more to being a Council Member than that. He noted lots of good things are going on in Town and that he will continue to be involved. He thanked Mr. Clark for all he does for the Town and its residents.

Mayor Shalhoub – he noted that Council Member Pavon's time on the Town Council was too short. He thanked all of the candidates for their participation in tonight's Candidate Forum and thanked the residents for their engagement with the forum.

He also noted the recognition that Officer Manak received from a Town resident and thanked him for doing a great job.

He noted that while the Council Member's email addresses are no longer listed on the Town website, residents can call the Council Members any time.

12. Adjournment

Motion made by President Pro Tem Freebold to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 PM, seconded by Vice Mayor Shalhoub; Motion approved (5-0).

, Mayor

Mary Pinkerman, Town Clerk