

Town of Lake Clarke Shores

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MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and Town Council
From: Joseph F. Lo Bello, CPA, Town Manager
Date: May 10, 2024
Subject: Status Report for the May 14, 2024 Town Council Meeting

Proposed Upcoming Town Council Meeting Schedule

May 14th - 6:30 pm - Regular Town Council Meeting & CRA Meeting June 3th - 6:30 pm - Regular Town Council Meeting (Monday) July 9th – 6:30 pm - Budget Workshop, CRA Meeting and Regular Town Council Meeting

Upcoming Town Events

May $15^{th} - 11:30$ am to 1:30 pm - LCS Senior Club "Footprints" - Navigating Medicare Coverage Presentation May $31^{st} - 5:30$ to 8:00 pm - Summer Food Truck Event June 3^{rd} to $5^{th} - 8:30$ am to 11:00 am - Tennis Camp June 17^{th} to $21^{st} - 9:00$ am to 12:00 pm - Fishing Camp July $15^{th} - 1:30$ pm - Septic-to-Sewer Conversion Informational Session

Pine Tree Lane Bridge

The Town is still waiting for the State of Florida's Budget to be approved with the extra \$250,000 appropriation for the Pine Tree Lane Bridge. The Town will execute the contract with the contractor after the state approves the budget. In 2022, the state awarded \$600,000 for this project. Staff is working on obtaining drawings of the proposed Pine Tree Lane Bridge at the right price.

Security and Surveillance Camera System Upgrade

The Town is currently replacing our 15-year-old security and surveillance camera system at the Police Department, Town Hall and Town Hall Park.

Maralago Cay – Proposed New Water Service Customers

Maralago Cay is currently a bulk sewer customer that wishes Town water service. Although the Town Council approved the proposed Developer Agreement during the September 27th meeting for water service and connections to 620 homes, the developer still has not executed the Agreement. Staff and the developer are still working on revisions to the Agreement to further delineate the Town's proposed easements on the developer's private property. The Town Council will need to approve any proposed revision(s) at a future Town Council Meeting.

Lead Service Line Inventory

We have been approved for full financial assistance through the Florida Rural Water Association (FRWA) to complete our Lead Service Line Inventory program. This funding should cover the cost necessary to hire a contractor to perform all the visual inspections and field work related to completing the inventory. Due to system age, Hypoluxo Village (2005) does not require visual inspections to be performed. However, both Lake Clarke Shores and Seminole Manor need this visual verification. The work for each of these systems have been approved for up to \$50,000. The inspections are still ongoing and staff expects this work to be completed by late summer.

Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA)

The Town updated the CRA portion of our website and started marketing it on the Town's monthly newsletter. We are researching how we can better market the incredible opportunity and value to invest in quality redevelopment at the Town's Forest Hill Boulevard corridor. Staff started a list of commercial property owners contact information in the CRA.

Water Meter Change Outs

The Utilities Department is working with the contractor, Professional Meters Inc. (PMI) who is performing our system wide water meter change outs. There is a total of roughly 1,500 meters (LCS, Seminole Manor, and Hypoluxo Village) that will be changed out and the crew is expected to do 30-50 per day. Overall, the project is expected to be completed within two months. There will be days when the crew is instructed not to do any work due to monthly meter reading time periods, these are referred to as black-out dates. In total, the project should be done in 2-3 months.

PMI will knock on the resident's door before any work begins to announce themselves and inform the customer of the work to be accomplished. The meter change out is typically completed in a short period of time and the water is expected to be off for only 10-15 minutes. If water is running when the contractor arrives, and no one answers the door, they will move on to the next house and reschedule that meter install for a later date.

Other items to report:

- The Fishing Tournament was a success. We had 17 teams and 29 anglers. The teams' total bass weight was 109.05 lbs. The heaviest bass was 6.55 lbs. The Great American Clean-Up was canceled due to the sewage spill.
- Per staff's request, the County repaired the enclosed lights in the street signs on Pine Tree Lane and Forest Hill Boulevard.
- All health advisories for the sewer spill have been lifted. Lake Worth Beach's current plan is to be finished with the construction by the end of the month, so the County can reopen Florida Mango Road.

- Staff removed the large ponytail palm tree and trimmed the hedges that was noted as line-of-sight issues at our April 9th Council Meeting during public comments.
- The Town's Building Officials inspected homes of 7011 Hagen Road and 7730 West Lake Drive and declared them a public nuisance.
- Staff is currently reviewing our policies and procedures for the upcoming hurricane season. Staff will attend the Governor's Hurricane Conference in Palm Beach County next week.
- Staff completed the safety and reliability improvements on the Town Hall and Police Building backup generator.
- The Police Department flooring project was completed. We replaced the original carpet and vinyl flooring at the Police Department with a water-resistant laminate flooring.
- Staff is working on implementing the July Septic-to-Sewer Conversion Informational Session. Advertisement to our residents will start by the end of the month. Residents will have three weeks to submit their questions online or at Town Hall.
- Effective May 15, 2024, Town Hall business hours will return to 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.
- Staff is working on a proposed FY2024-25 Budget.



Pictures from the Fishing Tournament on 04/06/2024