

TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES

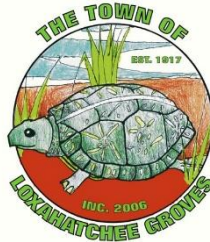
TOWN HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

155 F. ROAD, LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FL 33470

TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

AGENDA

APRIL 07, 2026 – 6:00 PM



Anita Kane, Mayor (Seat 3)

Marge Herzog, Vice Mayor (Seat 5)

Todd McLendon, Councilmember (Seat 1)

Lisa El-Ramey, Councilmember (Seat 2)

Paul T. Coleman II, Councilmember (Seat 4)

Administration

Town Manager, Francine L. Ramaglia

Town Attorney, Jeffrey S. Kurtz, Esq.

Assistant Town Manager/Town Clerk, Valerie Oakes

Community Standards Director, Caryn Gardner-Young

Acting Public Works Director, Craig Lower

Chief Finance Officer, David DiLena of Projected Point

Civility: Being "civil" is not a restraint on the First Amendment right to speak out, but it is more than just being polite. Civility is stating your opinions and beliefs, without degrading someone else in the process. Civility requires a person to respect other people's opinions and beliefs even if he or she strongly disagrees. It is finding a common ground for dialogue with others. It is being patient, graceful, and having a strong character. That is why we say "Character Counts" in Town of Loxahatchee. Civility is practiced at all Town meetings.

Special Needs: In accordance with the provisions of the American with Disabilities Act (ADA), persons in need of a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding shall within three business days prior to any proceeding, contact the Town Clerk's Office, 155 F Road, Loxahatchee Groves, Florida, (561) 793-2418.

Quasi-Judicial Hearings: Some of the matters on the agenda may be "quasi-judicial" in nature. Town Council Members are required to disclose all ex-parte communications regarding these items and are subject to voir dire (a preliminary examination of a witness or a juror by a judge or council) by any affected party regarding those communications. All witnesses testifying will be "sworn" prior to their testimony. However, the public is permitted to comment, without being sworn. Unsworn comment will be given its appropriate weight by the Town Council.

Appeal of Decision: If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Town Council with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, he or she will need a record of the proceeding, and for that purpose, may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes any testimony and evidence upon which the appeal will be based.

Consent Calendar: Those matters included under the Consent Calendar are typically self-explanatory, non controversial, and are not expected to require review or discussion. All items will be enacted by a single motion. If

discussion on an item is desired, any Town Council Member, without a motion, may "pull" or remove the item to be considered separately. If any item is quasi-judicial, it may be removed from the Consent Calendar to be heard separately, by a Town Council Member, or by any member of the public desiring it to be heard, without a motion.

TOWN COUNCIL AGENDA ITEMS

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ROLL CALL

ADDITIONS, DELETIONS AND MODIFICATIONS

PRESENTATION

1. Presentation on Legislative Update: State Session Status and Town Priorities
2. Presentation and Update on Okeechobee Blvd. Properties Evaluation by Ramsey Bulkeley, Town Consultant
3. Presentation on Public Works and Capital Projects Update by Acting Public Works Director Craig Lower

CONSENT AGENDA

4. Approval of the Minutes

NEW BUSINESS

5. Acceptance and Certification of the March 10, 2026, Election Results for the Town of Loxahatchee Groves
6. Acknowledgement of Service and Recognition of the Outgoing Town Councilmembers Marge Herzog and Todd McLendon
7. Administration of Oath of Office – Seat No. 1 and Seating of Councilmember-Elect Joe Stephens
8. Administration of Oath of Office – Seat No. 5 and Seating of Councilmember-Elect Manish Sood
9. Consideration of Approval on **Resolution No. 2026-16**: A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, ELECTING A MAYOR FOR THE ENSUING YEAR 2026-2027 AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

10. Consideration of Approval on **Resolution No.2026-17**: A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, ELECTING A VICE MAYOR FOR THE ENSUING YEAR 2026-2027 AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
11. Consideration of Approval on **Resolution No. 2026-19**: A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FLORIDA NOMINATING A TOWN COUNCILMEMBER FOR AND SUPPORTING HIS/HER APPOINTMENT AS THE PALM BEACH COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES VOTING DELEGATE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BRIEF RECESS: Refreshments will be served.

RECONVENE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

CONSENT AGENDA

12. Consideration of Approval on **Resolution No. 2026-18**: A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FLORIDA, APPROVING A SCHEDULE FOR THE REGULAR AND WORKSHOP TOWN COUNCIL MEETING DATES FOR APRIL 2026 TO MAY 2027; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
13. Consideration of Approval of **Resolution No. 2026-20**: A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FLORIDA, APPOINTING KATIE LAKEMAN TO THE ROADWAY, EQUESTRIAN TRAILS AND GREENWAY ADVISORY COMMITTEE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, CONFLICT, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
14. Consideration of Approval on **Resolution No. 2026-21**: A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FLORIDA, TO AMEND FIRST AND SECOND PENALTIES FOR CITATIONS IN THE SCHEDULE OF VIOLATIONS AND ASSOCIATED PENALTIES FOR CIVIL CITATIONS for RESOLUTION 2025-42 DUE TO A SCRIVENER'S ERROR; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER AND THE TOWN ATTORNEY TO TAKE SUCH ACTIONS AS ARE NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
15. Consideration of Approval on **Resolution No. 2026-22**: A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH B. DOUGLAS MACGIBBON, P.A. FOR SPECIAL MAGISTRATE SERVICES AND PROVIDING CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
16. Consideration of Approval on **Resolution No. 2026-23**: A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FLORIDA APPROVING REMOVAL OF SPECIMEN TREES; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

17. Consideration of Approval on **Resolution No. 2026-24**: A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FLORIDA, APPROVING A PIGGYBACK AGREEMENT UNDER THE TOWN OF MELBOURNE BEACH CONTRACT WITH C.A.P. GOVERNMENT, INC. FOR BUILDING INSPECTION SERVICES; AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF THE AGREEMENT, AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER AND THE TOWN ATTORNEY TO TAKE SUCH ACTIONS AS ARE NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
18. Consideration of Approval on **Resolution No. 2026-25**: A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES TO MAKE ITS OPPOSITION KNOWN TO THE PALM BEACH COUNTY COMMISSION FOR “PROJECT TANGO” OR ANY HYPERSCALE AI DATA CENTER TO LOCATE IN PALM BEACH COUNTY WITHIN 5 MILES OF ANY SCHOOL OR RESIDENTIAL AREA. THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES BELIEVES THAT PROPER STUDIES MUST BE CONDUCTED AS TO THE DETRIMENT, COST AND AMOUNT OF POWER, WATER, NOISE AND OTHER NUISANCES LIKELY TO BE EXPERIENCED; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
19. Consideration of Approval on **Resolution No. 2026-26**: A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FLORIDA, TO AMEND THE FEE SCHEDULE FOR RESOLUTION 2025-75 TO WAIVE THE SPECIAL EVENT FEES FOR NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER AND THE TOWN ATTORNEY TO TAKE SUCH ACTIONS AS ARE NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
20. Budget Amendment Request – 20th Anniversary Celebration and Veterans Day Event (November 2026)

RECESS TOWN COUNCIL MEETING & CALL TO ORDER DEPENDENT WATER CONTROL DISTRICT

DISTRICT'S REGULAR AGENDA

21. Consideration of Approval on **Resolution No. 2026-DD01**: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE LOXAHATCHEE GROVES WATER CONTROL DISTRICT, A DEPENDENT DISTRICT OF THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FLORIDA, ELECTING THE DISTRICT PRESIDENT AND PROVIDING THAT THE PRESIDENT SHALL SERVE AS CHAIR AT MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS: ELECTING THE DISTRICT SECRETARY AND PROVIDING BOND AMOUNT; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
22. Consideration of Approval on **Resolution No. 2026-DD02**: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE LOXAHATCHEE GROVES WATER CONTROL DISTRICT, A DEPENDENT DISTRICT OF THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES,

FLORIDA, APPOINTING THE DISTRICT TREASURER AND PROVIDING BOND AMOUNT AND COMPENSATION; DESIGNATION THE TOWN MANAGER AS FISCAL AGENT FOR THE DISTRICT AND PROVIDING FOR COMPENSATION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

23. Consideration of Approval on **Resolution No. 2026-DD03**: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE LOXAHATCHEE GROVES WATER CONTROL DISTRICT, A DEPENDENT DISTRICT OF THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FLORIDA, DESIGNATING CRAIG LOWER, AS THE ENGINEER FOR THE DISTRICT; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
24. Consideration of Approval on **Resolution No. 2026-DD04**: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE LOXAHATCHEE GROVES WATER CONTROL DISTRICT, A DEPENDENT DISTRICT OF THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FLORIDA ESTABLISHING A SCHEDULE OF ITS REGULAR MEETINGS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

RECONVENE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

REGULAR MEETING

DISCUSSION

25. Discussion on Recreational Vehicle Program
26. Discussion on Code Enforcement Lien Foreclosures
27. Discussion on Consideration of Offer from Sheltering Palms Foundation Request for Release of a Conservation Easement on their Property

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Public Comments for the regular meetings may be received by email, or in writing to the Town Clerk's Office until 12:00 PM (Noon) day of the meeting. Comments will be forwarded to the Town Council for informational purposes, however, they will not be read into the record. Town Council meetings are livestreamed and close-captioned for the general public via our website, instructions are posted there. Town Council meetings are livestreamed and close-captioned for the general public via our website, instructions are posted there.

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TOWN COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

Councilmember (Seat 1)

Councilmember (Seat 2)

Councilmember (Seat 3)

Councilmember (Seat 4)

Councilmember (Seat 5)

ADJOURNMENT

Comment Cards:

Anyone from the public wishing to address the Town Council, it is requested that you complete a Comment Card before speaking. Please fill out completely with your full name and address so that your comments can be entered correctly in the minutes and give to the Town Clerk. During the agenda item portion of the meeting, you may only address the item on the agenda being discussed at the time of your comment. During public comments, you may address any item you desire. Please remember that there is a three (3) minute time limit on all public comment. Any person who decides to appeal any decision of the Council with respect to any matter considered at this meeting will need a record of the proceedings and for such purpose, may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made which included testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. Persons with disabilities requiring accommodations in order to participate should contact the Town Clerk's Office (561-793-2418), at least 48 hours in advance to request such accommodation.