

# TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES

TOWN HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

155 F. ROAD, LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FL 33470

## TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

### AGENDA

JANUARY 06, 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.

Town Clerk, Valerie Oakes

Community Standards Director, Caryn Gardner-Young

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**

**PRESENTATIONS**

1. Pre-Legislative Session Updates

**CONSENT AGENDA**

2. Approval of the Minutes
3. Consideration of Approval on **Resolution No. 2026-02**: A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES NAMING THE ROAD WITHIN LOXAHATCHEE GROVES PARK "LOXAHATCHEE GROVES PARK DRIVE; PROVIDING FOR TRANSMITTAL; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
4. Consideration of Approval on **Resolution No. 2026-03**: A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FLORIDA, APPROVING FIRST AMENDMENT OF THE CONTINUING CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES BETWEEN TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FLORIDA AND WHIDDEN SURVEYING AND MAPPING; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
5. Consideration of Approval on **Resolution No. 2026-04**: Huurr Homes Change Order No. 1 – Catch Basins & Culverts - A Rd & Collecting Canal Rd

**OLD BUSINESS**

6. Renaming Okeechobee Boulevard to Middle Road within the municipal boundaries of the Town of Loxahatchee Groves by Approving **Resolution No. 2026-01**.
7. Report on Items for the Planning and Zoning Board
8. Report on Items for the ULDC
9. Report on Joint Meeting of the Town Council and Finance Advisory Audit Committee on January 26, 2026
10. Report on Town Council's Directive for a 5% Operating Budget Reduction

11. Report on Tentatively Scheduled Items for the January 6, 2026 Town Council Regular Meeting

### **REGULAR AGENDA**

None.

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

12. Consideration of Approval on *Ordinance No. 2025-21* on Second Reading: AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FLORIDA, RELATING TO PLAT REVIEW PROCESSES; AMENDING PART V “DEVELOPMENT REVIEW PROCEDURES AND REQUIREMENTS” OF THE UNIFIED LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE OF THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FLORIDA BY AMENDING ARTICLE 115 “PUBLIC HEARING NOTICES” SECTION 115 -010 “TABLE OF PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE REQUIREMENTS” TO DELETE REFERENCE TO PLATS; AMENDING ARTICLE 120 “QUASI-JUDICIAL HEARINGS” SECTION 120-115 “QUASI-JUDICIAL MATTERS” TO DELETE REFERENCE TO PLATS; AMENDING ARTICLE 140 “SUBDIVISION OF LAND” DIVISION 1 “PLATTING” TO PROVIDE FOR ADMINSTRATIVE REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF PLATS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 177.071 FLORIDA STATUTES; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT, SEVERABILITY, CODIFICATION, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

### **DISCUSSION**

13. Direction with respect to the Palm Beach County Sheriff’s Office Contract
14. Discussion of Solid Waste and Recycling Collection Services Contract
15. Discussion of request from Sheltering Palms Foundation to release conservation easement

### **ADMINISTRATIVE TRANSIMITTAL - RECEIVE AND FILE**

16. Update on Conservation Easements
17. Report of District Works Improvements for the 2025-2026 Calendar Year
18. Update on the RV Program
19. Update on Town Actions regarding Okeechobee Blvd properties
20. Consideration of SB 180 on Potential ULDC Updates
21. Commerce Planning Grant CPTA FY 2025–2026 Award – Project Status and Implementation Process

**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.*

**TOWN STAFF COMMENTS**

**Town Manager Francine L. Ramaglia**

**Town Attorney Jeffrey S. Kurtz, Esq.**

**Town Clerk Valerie Oakes**

**Community Standards Director Caryn Gardner-Young**

**Public Works Superintendent Craig Lower**

**TOWN COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS**

**Councilmember Todd McLendon (Seat 1)**

**Councilmember Lisa El-Ramey (Seat 2)**

**Councilmember Paul T. Coleman II (Seat 4)**

**Vice Mayor Marge Herzog (Seat 5)**

**Mayor Anita Kane (Seat 3)**

**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.