

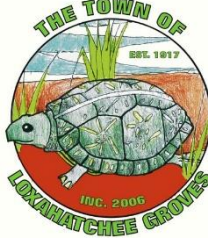
TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES

TOWN HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

AGENDA

MARCH 18, 2025 – 6:00 PM



**Community Open Discussion Meeting Precedes Meeting from 6:00-6:30 PM
(on Non-Agenda Items)**

Anita Kane, Mayor (Seat 3)

Phillis Maniglia, Councilmember (Seat 1)

Laura Danowski, Councilmember (Seat 2)

Robert Shorr, Councilmember (Seat 4)

Marge Herzog, Vice Mayor (Seat 5)

Administration

Town Manager, Francine L. Ramaglia, CPA, AICP, ICMA-CM

Town Attorney, Glen Torcivia, Esq.

Town Clerk, Valerie Oakes, CMC

Public Works Director, Richard Gallant

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

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Public Comments for all meetings may be received by email, or in writing to the Town Clerk's Office until 12:00 PM day of the meeting. Comments will be "received and filed" to be acknowledged as part of the official public record of the meeting. Town Council meetings are livestreamed and close-captioned for the general public via our website, instructions are posted there.

2025 STATE OF THE TOWN

1. 2025 State of the Town Address by Mayor Anita Kane

CONSENT AGENDA

2. Approval of the Minutes

REGULAR AGENDA

3. Acceptance of the March 11, 2025, Election Results for the Town of Loxahatchee Groves
4. Recognition of the Outgoing Town Councilmembers
5. Administer the Oath of Office - Lisa El-Ramey, Seat #2
6. Administer the Oath of Office - Paul Coleman II, Seat #4
7. Consideration of Approval on **Resolution No. 2025-14**: A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, ELECTING A MAYOR FOR THE ENSUING YEAR 2025-2026 AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
8. Consideration of Approval on **Resolution No. 2025-15**: A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, ELECTING A VICE MAYOR FOR THE ENSUING YEAR 2025-2026 AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

PRESENTATIONS

9. Presentation on Code of Ethics by Gina Levesque, Intake & Compliance Manager, Palm Beach County Commission on Ethics
10. Presentation on the Sunshine Law, Public Records Law and a Review of the Town Council's Rules of Procedure by Glen Torcivia, Town Attorney

CONSENT AGENDA

11. Consideration of Approval on **Resolution No. 2025-16**: A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FLORIDA, APPROVING A SCHEDULE FOR THE REGULAR AND WORKSHOP TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS DATES FOR MARCH TO DECEMBER 2025; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

DISTRICT'S REGULAR AGENDA

12. Consideration of Approval of **Resolution No. 2025-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, 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 DOR SEVERAILITY, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
13. Consideration of Approval on **Resolution No. 2025-DD05**: 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.
14. Consideration of Approval on **Resolution No. 2025-DD06**: 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 2025-2026 AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

RECONVENE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- 15. March 2025 Calendar
- 16. March Approved Proclamations for Recognition:
 - Flood Awareness Week Proclamation (March 3-7, 2025)
 - Employee Appreciation Day (March 28, 2025)
- 17. Future Agenda Items

TOWN STAFF COMMENTS

Town Manager

Town Attorney

Public Works Director

Town Clerk

TOWN COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

Councilmember - Seat 5

Councilmember - Seat 4

Councilmember - Seat 3

Councilmember - Seat 2

Councilmember - Seat 1

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.