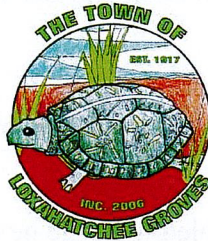


TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES
TOWN HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
155 F. ROAD, LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FL 33470
**ROADWAY, EQUESTRIAN TRAILS AND GREENWAY ADVISORY
COMMITTEE**
MINUTES
AUGUST 21, 2025 – 5:00 PM – 5:30 PM



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CALL TO ORDER

The Roadway, Equestrian Trails and Greenway Advisory Committee meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM by Committee Chairperson Frank Schiola.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Committee began the meeting by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance, led by Chairperson Schiola.

ROLL CALL *(Please note there is a vacancy in Seat 2)*

Present Members:

- **Frank Schiola, Chairperson**
- **Katie Lakeman, Committee Member**
- **Ashley Bruce, Committee Member**

Absent Members:

- **Darcy Dean Murray, Vice Chairperson**

Present Staff:

- **Craig Lower, Public Works Superintendent**
- **Ennya Blaise, Management Analyst.**

APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

Motion: Committee Member Ashley Bruce made a motion to approve the agenda as is. The motion was seconded by Committee Member Katie Lakeman. Motion passes 3-0.

APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES

There were no meeting minutes that needed approval

ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, AND/OR MODIFICATION TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions, deletion or modifications to the agenda.

REGULAR AGENDA

Agenda Item: Draft proposed Horse/Multi purpose trail sign design with rules, Town Logo, and placement plan

Proof is still in progress. This item was tabled until the next meeting.

Agenda Item: Committee recommendations to bring forward to the Town Council

One of the concerns that Committee Member Katie Lakeman brought up was the stockpile of dirt. Public Works Superintendent Craig Lower explained that the pile is shell rock and that this was stockpiled in order to later be used. The price of shell rock rose so this was a proactive decision. The shell rock saved the town roughly \$15-16K. Committee Member Lakeman explained her concern was that riders may not see the pile, but Public Works Superintendent Lower reassured the pile will be dispersed.

Committee Member Ashley Bruce recommended providing Council with a report on what the committee has discussed and worked on. This would include the work being done on signage, current equestrian PSA, updated maps, and trail expansions.

In terms of signage, members discussed clarifying compliance with ordinances and regulations in place to emphasize the importance.

The committee discussed turning areas that currently are for horses into a multi-purpose area.

Furthermore, there were discussions regarding grants and an update on grants that were submitted in February.

Agenda Item: Committee recommendations for any grants that relate to the responsibilities of the RETGAC Committee

The committee discussed the possibility of new grants as well as possible updates on past ones. Specifically, the Mural Grant was named. The committee would like to see more but is unaware if there are any available.

Committee Member Bruce provided a report in the ride-along with Public Works Superintendent Lower in the day. Some of the takeaways from the ride include more pedestrian and horse friendly bridges, challenges with trail connectivity, stop/crossing signs at traffic intersections, and milling asphalt to improve horse traction.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS COMMENTS

Committee Member Bruce urged the Council to think about how we can have trails. As well as parking for trailers.

Chairperson Schiola commented that he appreciates the work that is being done within the town. More work to be done but is satisfied with work done so far. Member Schiola also commented on legislature that was being pushed about eliminating property taxes, he mentioned the importance of these taxes on the municipality for many of the projects that are currently in the works.

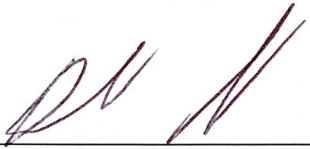
CONFIRMATION OF THE NEXT MEETING DATE

- The next Roadway, Equestrian Trails and Greenway Advisory Committee meeting will be on September 25, 2025 at 5:00 PM.

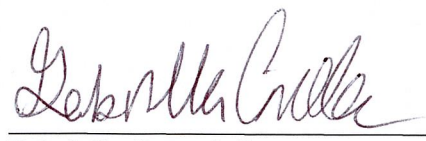
ADJOURNMENT

There was a motion to adjourn made by Committee Member Ashley Bruce, seconded by Committee Member Katie Lakeman. Which passed 3-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 PM.



Frank Schiola, Roadway, Equestrian Trails
and Greenway Advisory Committee
Chairperson



Gabriella Croasdaile,
Assistant to the Town Clerk