

**LOXAHATCHEE GROVES WATER CONTROL DISTRICT /  
TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES  
INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION COMMITTEE MEETING  
FRIDAY, JUNE 26, 2009 / 2:00 P.M.**

Call to Order at 2:20 P.M.

Roll Call: Clete J. Saunier, P.E., LGWCD District Administrator (Meeting Facilitator), Darlene Crawford (Alternate), LGWCD Secretary-Treasurer, Dr. Irving Rosenbaum, Town Manager, and Ryan Liang, Town Council Member present.

Invocation / Pledge of Allegiance led by Mr. Saunier.

SUBJECT: AGENDA APPROVAL. Clete Saunier requested the addition of Regular Agenda Item #14, Discussion of Portable Emergency Operations Shelter. There were no other additions, deletions, or substitutions to the Agenda.

MOTION: Dr. Irv Rosenbaum made a motion to approve the Agenda. Ryan Liang seconded the motion.

ACTION: **MOTION PASSED 4 TO 0.**

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM MAY 22, 2009 INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION COMMITTEE (IGC) MEETING. Mr. Saunier asked for approval of the minutes from the May 22, 2009 Intergovernmental Coordination Committee meeting.

MOTION: Dr. Irv Rosenbaum made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 22, 2009 Intergovernmental Coordination Committee meeting. Ryan Liang seconded the motion.

ACTION: **MOTION PASSED 4 TO 0.**

SUBJECT: WATER CONSERVATION AND FIRE SUPPRESSION: DISCUSSION / REPORT FROM MEETING WITH PALM BEACH COUNTY FIRE-RESCUE.

By way of written report, Town Clerk Matthew Lippman noted that Town Staff is currently waiting on Bevin Beaudet, Director of Palm Beach County Water Utilities Department, to indicate what dates he will be available for a follow-up meeting to discuss various water conservation and fire suppression options with FP&L and its proposed western power facility.

Ryan Liang suggested, with respect to wells, the District consider the use of a portable pump at each well. He stated the maintenance costs would be less expensive because there would only be one pump. He stated his pump (on North Road) has been vandalized several times, and stated having a pump at the fire station would be less expensive and more practical.

Mr. Saunier stated the IGC Committee did discuss wells at previous meetings. Darlene Crawford asked whether they would be deep injection wells. Mr. Saunier replied in the negative, and stated they would be for fire source water. Mr. Saunier stated, after talking to Chief Randy Sheppard with Palm Beach County Fire-Rescue, the maximum depth they could actually pull from would be ten (10) feet with their fire-rescue equipment. Mr. Saunier stated they discussed the possibility of installation of pumps onsite permanently, and it was determined that would be a high maintenance and possible vandalism problem.

Mr. Saunier stated the IGC Committee has also discussed secondary flow; however, they did not discuss the option of portable pumps. He stated that might be something the IGC Committee should look at.

Mr. Saunier stated another alternative previously discussed by the IGC Committee is the use of gray water. He stated this option would not work because it is too environmentally-problematic.

Darlene Crawford asked if the IGC Committee should obtain cost estimates for permanent pumps and portable pumps, with a cost estimate to include anticipated vandalism. Ms. Crawford stated this would only be applicable if portable pumps would work. She asked Mr. Saunier if portable pumps would work, and he replied that he is uncertain. He added that pumps would require that wells be drilled, and wells would require casing, etc. He stated it is an expense, although not an exorbitant expense.

Darlene Crawford asked if fire hydrants would be feasible. Mr. Saunier replied fire hydrants would be another alternative.

Mr. Saunier stated with the re-use water coming through Okeechobee Boulevard and having a looped reclamation water line half-way north and half-way south of Okeechobee Boulevard, with fire hydrants to be used for emergency purposes.

Ryan Liang asked whether Florida Power & Light is interested in working with the filter marsh system. Mr. Saunier replied he does not know yet. He stated he spoke with Bevin Beaudet, Director of Palm Beach County Water Utilities Department, who indicated he has not had a chance to speak with FP&L representatives.

Darlene Crawford asked if the IGC Committee could obtain cost estimates and feasibility for all alternatives. Mr. Saunier stated the IGC Committee can recommend this to the Council and Board, but has no authority to conduct this work. On another note, the District is in a holding pattern for the filter marsh replenishment system for the canals, which will not be enough water. Mr. Saunier stated Mr. Beaudet has stated he will obtain a cost estimate for

the loop system and the reclaimed water. If those options do not work out, the District's alternatives are running out.

MOTION: No motion was necessary.  
ACTION: **NO ACTION WAS TAKEN.**

SUBJECT: COORDINATION BETWEEN TOWN AND LGWCD RELATING TO THE TOWN'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN: UPDATE. By way of report, Town Clerk Matthew Lippman noted that the Town Council conducted a "shade" session to discuss the legal strategies for the DOAH Process on May 19, 2009. Mayor Browning and Dr. Irv Rosenbaum (Town Manager) met with Nat Roberts from Callery-Judge Groves to discuss mediation. The results of that meeting will be discussed at the July 7, 2009 "shade" session. No other details can be shared at this time.

Clete Saunier requested this item be removed from the meeting agenda since the District's and Town's coordination issues have all been addressed.  
**The Committee agreed.**

MOTION: No motion was necessary.  
ACTION: **NO ACTION WAS TAKEN.**

SUBJECT: 40<sup>TH</sup> STREET NORTH / NORTH ROAD CANAL: DISCUSSION AND UPDATE OF WORKSHOP MEETING. Clete Saunier announced that a workshop meeting to discuss the issues related to 40<sup>th</sup> Street North / North Road Canal will be held on Monday, July 20, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the District office. A brief discussion ensued.

MOTION: No motion was necessary.  
ACTION: **NO ACTION WAS TAKEN.**

SUBJECT: FEDERAL FUNDING SOURCES: DISCUSSION AND UPDATE. By way of written report, Town Clerk Matthew Lippman noted the Justification Study for the Okeechobee Boulevard round-a-bouts has been completed. The Town Council appointed Vice-Mayor Dennis Lipp to join Jeff Maxwell (Calvin-Giordano) when they meet with Palm Beach County to discuss the findings. The meeting will be set within the next two weeks. The Town Council directed Calvin-Giordano & Associates to pursue the round-a-bout at the corner of "B" Road and Okeechobee Boulevard, and a traffic light at the corner of "F" Road and Okeechobee Boulevard. A brief discussion ensued.

MOTION: No motion was necessary.  
ACTION: **NO ACTION WAS TAKEN.**

SUBJECT: COORDINATION OF EQUESTRIAN TRAILS: DISCUSSION. By way of written report, Town Clerk Matthew Lippman stated the Town's Master Roadway, Equestrian, and Greenway Plan (MREG Plan) has been issued. There will be a workshop meeting to discuss alternatives to 40<sup>th</sup> Street North which will include the discussion of equestrian trails; in addition, the north "A" Road OGEM road improvement referendum was approved. With these three items occurring, it is vital that there be coordination between the Town and the District to begin the planning of equestrian trails, especially in the areas that the road improvements are scheduled to take place. A brief discussion ensued.

MOTION: No motion was necessary.

ACTION: **NO ACTION WAS TAKEN.**

SUBJECT: TOWN / LGWCD FUNDING ILAs: UPDATE. By way of written report, Town Clerk Matthew Lippman stated that, at the May 5, 2009 public meeting, the Town Council approved funding requested by the District which will free up funding for two essential Fiscal Year 2009-2010 projects. Those projects are: (1) "D" Road Canal Improvements - Phase II, and (2) "A" Road Right-of-Way Land Survey, totaling \$240,000.00. The ILAs were approved and executed by both the Town Council and the District's Board of Supervisors.

MOTION: No motion was necessary.

ACTION: **NO ACTION WAS TAKEN.**

SUBJECT: TOWN MANAGEMENT / ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF TRANSITION: UPDATE. By way of written report, Town Clerk Matthew Lippman stated the following: On April 20, 2009, the current Town management firm, New Community Strategies, submitted a letter of termination to the Town Council. A notice of 120 days was given to the Town of Loxahatchee Groves. The Town Council directed Town Staff to draft a Request for Proposals for Town Management Services to be presented at the June 2, 2009 Town Council meeting. In addition, based on direction by Dr. Irv Rosenbaum (Town Manager), an item was requested to be placed on the IGC Committee Meeting agenda to discuss options for utilizing the Water Control District to provide some of the services currently provided by NCS. NCS currently provides the following services under its contract: (1) Town Manager, (2) Town Clerk, (3) Assistant Town Clerk / Administrative Assistant, and (4) Financial services and management. A brief discussion ensued.

Clete Saunier suggested NCS continue to oversee the Town's financial services and management until the end of the current fiscal year (September 30, 2009). **The Committee agreed.**

MOTION: No motion was necessary.

ACTION: **NO ACTION WAS TAKEN.**

SUBJECT: SFWMD EMERGENCY ORDER 2009-108-DAO-WS EFFECTIVE MAY 18, 2009 (LGWCD VARIANCE APPLICATION TO THE SFWMD): UPDATE. Clete Saunier stated this item does not need to be discussed. He noted the South Florida Water Management District rescinded its Emergency Order 2009-108-DAO-WS (which was established on May 18, 2009) on June 5, 2009. Mr. Saunier noted the District's variance application was formally withdrawn on Monday, June 8, 2009.

MOTION: No motion was necessary.  
ACTION: **NO ACTION WAS TAKEN.**

SUBJECT: PORTABLE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS SHELTER: DISCUSSION. By way of written report, Town Clerk Matthew Lippman stated this item was discussed at the Emergency Operations meeting that was attended by Town Clerk Matthew Lippman, Clete Saunier, Ashbritt, Inc. (Town's emergency debris hauler), representatives of Calvin-Giordano & Associates, Inc. (Town's contract monitoring firm), and Ms. Pat Johnson, Loxahatchee Groves C.E.R.T. team representative.

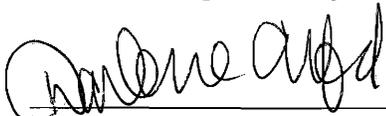
Clete Saunier requested the Town consider funding the purchase of a portable shelter to be used for Town/District emergency operations in the event of a disaster. Mr. Saunier asked Dr. Rosenbaum to present this request to the Town Council. Mr. Saunier estimated the cost would not exceed \$10,000.00. Dr. Rosenbaum stated he would present this item to the Town Council at its July 7, 2009 meeting.

MOTION: No motion was necessary.  
ACTION: **NO ACTION WAS TAKEN.**

SUBJECT: NEXT IGC COMMITTEE MEETING DATE AND TIME. The Committee scheduled the next IGC Committee meeting for 2:00 p.m. on Friday, July 31, 2009 at the District office.

MOTION: No motion was necessary.  
ACTION: **NO ACTION WAS TAKEN.**

**The meeting was adjourned by the Committee at 3:00 p.m.**

  
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Darlene Crawford, LGWCD Sec-Treas.

  
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Ryan Liang, Town Council Member

  
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Clete J. Saunier, LGWCD District Admin.

  
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Dr. Irving Rosenbaum, Town Manager