

Mayor David Browning, Seat 4
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Town of Loxahatchee Groves
Roadway, Equestrian Trails & Greenway
Advisory Committee Meeting
Tuesday, January 10, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.
Loxahatchee Town Hall – Conference Room

Committee Member Nina Corning
Committee Member Kathy Strehlow
Committee Member Dr. Bill Louda
Committee Member Patrick Painter
Vacancy

Town Manager Mark Kutney
Town Clerk Janice M. Moore
Town Attorney Michael D. Cirullo, Jr.

PUBLIC/NOTICE AGENDA

1. OPENING

- a. Call to Order & Roll Call
- b. Approval of Agenda

2. MINUTES – December 12, 2011

3. PRESENTATIONS - None

4. OLD BUSINESS – None

5. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Planning & Design for a Greenway & Equestrian Trails System
 1. How to Create “The Corridor”: An Area of Real Property Suitable for Development as a Recreational Trail
 2. Intra/Inter Connection
 3. Areas to Designate for the Trail System
- b. January 14th Town Council & LG Water Control District Joint Workshop
- c. Southern Greenway (aka Linear Park)

1. Committee's Position to Support the Town Greenway & Equestrian Trail
2. 6th Street Culvert Connection, Fencing & Signage
3. Recommendation to Town Council Regarding Collecting Canal Easement (south side from C Road to B Road)
- d. Planning Study for Okeechobee Blvd.
- e. Signage

6. ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE - Town Manager Kutney

7. CLOSING COMMENTS

- a. Public
- b. Committee Members
- c. Concluding Administrative Remarks

8. ADJOURNMENT

Comments Cards: Anyone from the public wishing to address this Committee must complete a Comment Card before speaking. This must be filled out completely with your full name and address and given to the Town Clerk. During the meeting, before public comments, you may only address the item on the agenda in which is 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 this Committee 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.

**RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE ELEMENT
GOAL, OBJECTIVES, AND POLICIES**

Goal 5A **To provide safe and adequate open space and recreation facilities accessible to all Loxahatchee Groves residents.**

5A.1. *Objective:*
Provide a sufficient supply of park, recreation, and open space facilities to satisfy established level of service (LOS) standards.

5A.1.1. Policy:
The Town shall make available six (6) acres of park, recreation, and open space per one thousand (1,000) population.

5A.1.2. Policy:
The Town shall encourage development of a public equestrian facility at Loxahatchee Groves Park.

5A.1.3. Policy:
The Town shall continue to lobby the County to develop the Loxahatchee Groves County Park according to the intent of the original Master Plan and the Plan as amended in January 1991.

5A.1.4. Policy:
The Town shall explore the possibility of obtaining grants, gifts, contributions, funding assistance, and other financial resources for the purchase of land contiguous to the Park, so that the acreage of the park may be increased to its original size.

5A.2. *Objective:*
Maximize the utility and function of recreation facilities and open space resources. Establish strategies to effectively coordinate the retention of recreation and open space opportunities, as well as the development of future opportunities to meet public demands.

5A.2.1. Policy:
Require that all land dedicated to the public for parks and recreation purposes be located adjacent to arterial and/or collector roadways, pedestrian walkways and bicycle routes or be provided for in future development plans.

5A.2.2. Policy:
All existing and future parks and recreation facilities shall comply with provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

5A.3. *Objective:*
Establish effective methods of coordinating public and private resources to meet public demands.

5A.3.1. Policy:
Maintain cooperative relationships with agencies, groups, individuals and organizations currently providing leisure programs to the residents.

5A.3.2. Policy:
Pursue appropriate joint public and private ventures to obtain lands and/or financing necessary to provide recreation areas, facilities and programs.

5A.4. *Objective:*
Require the provision of open space in redevelopment and new development.

5A.4.1. Policy:
The provision of open space such as natural areas, vistas, land buffers, or trails, shall be required in residential and non-residential development as per the Land Development Code.

5A.4.2. Policy:
The Town emphasizes that open space is needed in order to create vista, to provide shade, and to create and enhance the rural image and flavor of the Town.

Goal 5B

The Town of Loxahatchee Groves will strive to provide a town-wide greenway and equestrian trail system which preserves the town's rural lifestyle.

5B.1. *Objective:*
The Town of Loxahatchee Groves shall develop a greenway and equestrian trail system to meet the needs and interests of the residents of Loxahatchee Groves.

5B.1.1. Policy:
The Town shall create a map of existing greenway and equestrian riding trails.

5B.1.2. Policy:
The Town shall identify new connections to existing trails, which if acquired would greatly enhance pedestrian, bicycle, and equestrian circulation throughout the Town.

5B.1.3. Policy:
A master plan for a cohesive trail system shall be completed within two (2) years of the adoption of this element

5B.1.4. Policy:
Annually, the Town shall assess whether the greenway and equestrian trail system is sufficient for the needs of the residents.

5B.1.5. Policy:

The greenway and equestrian trails system, wherever feasible, shall provide linkages between residential homes, parks, recreational facilities, open spaces, and commercial facilities throughout the Town.

5B.1.6. Policy:

All vehicular parking for land uses which are adjacent to the greenway and equestrian trail system should provide the parking on a side away from the trail.

5B.1.7. Policy:

The greenway and equestrian trail system shall be consistent with the Town's Minimum Design Standards.

5B.1.8. Policy:

The Town shall use landscaping and signs to visually identify crossings and trail access points. Safe and controlled greenway and equestrian crossings shall be constructed.

5B.1.9. Policy:

The Town shall coordinate the construction of proposed multiuse trails with the LGWCD whenever they fall within the LGWCD rights-of-way. Doing so shall ensure that sufficient right-of-way is preserved to construct and maintain the Town's multiuse trails.

5B.1.10. Policy:

The Town shall coordinate the provision of greenway and equestrian trail connections among adjoining or abutting properties during the site plan review process.

5B.2. Objective:

The Town of Loxahatchee Groves' greenway and equestrian trail system shall be financially feasible.

5B.2.1. Policy:

The Town shall determine which trails should be considered for public ownership

5B.2.2. Policy:

The Town shall explore the possibility of obtaining grants, gifts, contributions, funding assistance, and other financial resources for the development of equestrian riding trails.

5B.2.3. Policy:

The Town should pursue joint efforts with all affected local jurisdictions, including local governments, special districts, and other public agencies in the acquisition, development and maintenance of trails as a means for reducing costs and pooling resources.

5B.3. *Objective:*
The Town of Loxahatchee Groves' equestrian trail system shall provide access to abutting county parks, open space, and neighboring municipalities.

5B.3.1. Policy:
The Town shall pursue direct connections and access between the Town's equestrian trail(s) and the Loxahatchee Groves County Park and the Royal Palm Beach Pines Nature Area.

5B.3.2. Policy:
The Town shall pursue direct connections and access between the Town's equestrian trails and the Village of Wellington's equestrian preserves and public trails.

5B.3.3. Policy:
The Town shall coordinate with Loxahatchee Groves Water Control District for development of greenways and equestrian trails.