

MINUTES
TOWN OF JUNO BEACH, FLORIDA
PELICAN LAKE WORKSHOP

October 9, 2020

Council Chambers and Via ZOOM
340 Ocean Drive

PRESENT: JOSEPH F. LO BELLO, TOWN MANAGER
ANTHONY MERIANO, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS
CAITLIN COPELAND, TOWN CLERK

ALSO PRESENT: FRANK DAVILA, DIRECTOR OF PLANNING & ZONING

Audience: 8 In-Person; 6 Via Zoom

~ CALL TO ORDER – 10:01 AM

1. **UPDATE ON STATUS OF THE FLORIDA FISH & WILDLIFE (FWC) GRANT**
(Time: 1:00 – 16:29)
(Town Manager Lo Bello and Resident DD Halpern)

DD Halpern, 410 Apollo Drive, and Town Manager Lo Bello provided an update and explanation on the Florida Fish & Wildlife (FWC) grant application process.

The Public discussed this item.

Bob Weigt, Hobe Sound Environmental, recommended a 6-1 or 10-1 slope for the lake's shelf and expressed his concerns on having volunteers assist.

The Public continued to discuss this item and asked staff and the consultant questions.

Stuart Katz, 900 Ocean Drive, spoke on behalf of Council to thank Town Manager and expressed his gratitude on having these workshops for Pelican Lake.

Town Manager Lo Bello addressed Mr. Weigt's and Ms. Halpern's questions.

Majority of the Public gave consensus to have Town Manager Lo Bello ask Council to apply for the FWC grant for the vegetation and for the Town to change the slope in select areas to enhance the success of plant life.

2. **DISCUSSION ON WATER TESTING RECOMMENDATIONS** (Time: 16:30 – 42:32)
(Director of Public Works Meriano and Resident Diana Davis)

Diana Davis, 440 Sunset Way, went over a presentation (*see attached*).

The Public discussed this item and asked staff and the consultant questions.

Mr. Weigt asked Ms. Davis if she had a particular bacterium in mind to test for.

Ms. Davis stated no.

The Public continued to discuss this item.

Majority of the Public gave consensus to ask Council for funding for water quality testing for Fiscal Year 2020-2021, not to exceed \$7,000.

3. **DISCUSSION ON TREATMENT FOR TORPEDO GRASS** (Time: 42:33 – 1:19:06)
(Bob Weigt, Hobe Sound Environmental)

Town Manager Lo Bello provided an update from both Hobe Sound Environmental and FWC on the TIGR product for spot spraying torpedo grass or manual removal.

Ms. Halpern explained her interpretation of FWC's view of the TIGR product.

Ms. Davis went over another presentation (*see attached*).

The Public discussed this item and asked staff and the consultant questions.

Majority of the Public gave consensus to have Town Manager Lo Bello ask Council to conduct a hybrid approach which will include both manually removing, not to exceed \$3,000, and spot spraying, as needed, torpedo grass in Pelican Lake.

4. **OTHER ITEMS DISCUSSED** (Time: 1:19:07 – 1:33:00)

Town Manager Lo Bello asked to schedule a Pelican Lake Tour to locate the potential site(s) for shelves.

Town Manager Lo Bello and Director of Public Works Meriano scheduled a Pelican Lake Tour for Tuesday, October 20th at 9am

Town Manager Lo Bello recommended asking the Council to have the review of fertilizer ordinances start here before going to the Planning & Zoning Board and then to Council.

Majority of the Public gave consensus to have a workshop to review fertilizer ordinances from surrounding areas and provide a consensus to the Planning & Zoning Board then to Town Council.

Ms. Davis and Jim Ferguson, 391 Sunrise Way, recommended having Sean Patton from Stocking Savvy join a tour of Pelican Lake and get his recommendations.

Majority of the Public gave consensus to have Town Manager Lo Bello ask Council for approval of \$374.50 for Sean Patton from Stocking Savvy to attend a Pelican Lake Tour and provide his recommendations.

5. **ADJOURNMENT** (Time: 1:33:01 – 1:33:07)

Town Manager Lo Bello adjourned the workshop at 11:34 a.m.

Minutes Approved on October 9, 2020.