

Minutes
Town of Lake Park, Florida
Regular Commission Meeting
Wednesday, September 6, 2017, 7:09 PM
Town Commission Chamber, 535 Park Avenue

The Town Commission met for the purpose of a Regular Commission Meeting on Wednesday, September 6, 2017 at 7:09 p.m. Present were Mayor Michael O'Rourke, Commissioner Roger Michaud, Town Manager John O. D'Agostino and Town Clerk Vivian Mendez. Vice-Mayor Kimberly Glas-Castro, Commissioners Erin Flaherty, Anne Lynch and Town Attorney Thomas Baird were absent.

Town Clerk Mendez performed the roll call and Mayor O'Rourke led the pledge of allegiance.

Mayor O'Rourke announced that the Regular Commission Meeting of September 6, 2017 would not be held due to lack of a quorum. He announced that the following discussion were non-agenda item related.

Town Manager D'Agostino explained that the Town of Lake Park was actively engaged in emergency preparedness for Hurricane Irma. He explained that there were projections of 9 to 12 inches of rain. He explained that the Town of Lake Park had declared a State of Emergency (see Exhibit "A"). He encouraged residents to adhere to the Palm Beach County mandatory evacuation orders. He explained that William T. Dwyer High School and Palm Beach Gardens High School would serve as shelters. He explained that emergency medical personnel would not respond to emergency calls in unsafe conditions (wind flow velocity greater than 40 mph) during Hurricane Irma. He explained that Town of Lake Park Department of Public Works personnel and Palm Beach County Sheriff's Officers (PBSO) would be available as first responders. He explained that Tropical Storm force winds were expected to begin at 4:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 9, 2017. He explained that evacuations and coastal flooding were expected. He explained the severity of the Hurricane Irma and that additional information was provided on the Town Website (www.lakeparkflorida.gov). He explained that curbside debris would be removed on Thursday, September 7, 2017 and that additional debris would be removed after the hurricane. He encouraged residents to be safe during Hurricane Irma.

TOWN ATTORNEY, TOWN MANAGER, COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

Town Attorney Baird was absent.

Town Manager D'Agostino had no comments.

Commissioner Lynch was absent.

Commissioner Michaud encouraged residents to take the necessary precautions and adhere to mandatory evacuations.

Commissioner Flaherty was absent.

Vice-Mayor Glas-Castro was absent.

Mayor O'Rourke explained that Evacuation Zone B included the Town of Lake Park along Lake Shore Drive and the Intracoastal Waterway. He explained that shelters were available at William T. Dwyer High School and Palm Beach Gardens High School. He encouraged residents to be safe during Hurricane Irma. He thanked Town of Lake Park Staff, Palm Beach County: Sheriff's Office, Fire Rescue, and Emergency Operations Center and State of Florida Governor Rick Scott for all efforts in preparation for Hurricane Irma.

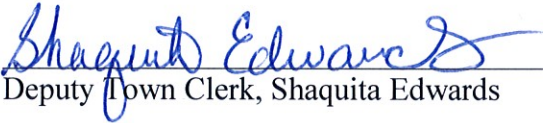
The discussion ended at 7:26 p.m.



Mayor Michael O'Rourke



Town Clerk, Vivian Mendez, CMC



Deputy Town Clerk, Shaquita Edwards



Approved on this 20 of September, 2017

Exhibit "A"



PRESS RELEASE - Lake Park, Florida. September 5, 2017.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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The Code of Ordinances of the Town of Lake Park authorizes the Mayor or in the absence of the Mayor and the Vice Mayor the first available member of the Town Commission to declare that a state of emergency exists within the boundaries of the Town of Lake Park. Today, Commissioner Anne Lynch of the Town of Lake Park declared a state of emergency within the geographic boundaries of the Town of Lake Park due to the expected impact by Hurricane Irma which provides as follows:

1. That all Town offices including Town Hall, the Library, the Lake Park Harbor Marina and the Public Works Department shall be closed on Monday, September 11, 2017 and shall remain closed until the declaration of a state of emergency declared by the Governor has been lifted.
2. The curfew to be established by Palm Beach County shall be followed by residents of the Town of Lake Park.
3. Any evacuation order issued by Palm Beach County shall be followed by residents of the Town of Lake Park.
4. The within declaration shall be in full force effective at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 5, 2017, and shall remain in full force until the state of emergency declared by the Governor has been lifted.

For more information contact Janet Perry at 561-881-3304.

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STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARATION

It is found by the Mayor of the Town of Lake Park that:

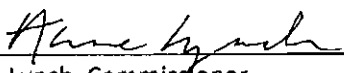
WHEREAS, Chapter 1, Article II, Division 1, Section 2-32 of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Lake Park authorizes the Mayor or in the absence of the Mayor and the Vice Mayor the first available member of the Town Commission to declare that a state of emergency exists within the boundaries of the Town of Lake Park, and to exercise the powers conferred in F.S. Sections 252.32 and 870.042(2); and

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of Florida has declared a state of emergency in every Florida county due to the expected impact caused by Hurricane Irma; and

WHEREAS, it is believed by Town Commissioner Anne Lynch that there is a clear and present danger to persons or property due to the exigent circumstances of the expected impact caused by Hurricane Irma within the geographical limits of the Town of Lake Park and that it is prudent to declare a state of emergency for the Town of Lake Park.

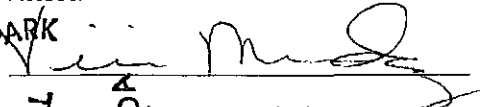
NOW THEREFORE, in the absence of the Mayor and the Vice Mayor it is declared by Town Commissioner Anne Lynch of the Town of Lake Park that a state of emergency does exist as heretofore found and that during such a period of emergency and at the times and locations hereinafter specified in order to protect lives and property within the Town, the following actions shall take place:

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Anne Lynch, Commissioner
Town of Lake Park

Attest:



Vian Medez, Town Clerk

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