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#### INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this report is to provide the Town of Lantana (Town) Town Council and Community with a high-level executive summary of the status of the Town's major projects and various current and upcoming operational matters. Additional information may be available upon request.

#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

To preserve Lantana's small-town atmosphere through responsible government and quality service.

#### COVID-19 – RESOURCES, VACCINE AND OTHER INFORMATION

- Florida Health COVID-19 24-hour call center number is (866) 779-6121
- For Florida Health updates via text, text FLCOVID19 to 888777
- In addition, the public can email <u>COVID19@flhealth.gov</u> for more information

For a list of vaccine information, please visit https://floridahealthcovid19.gov/vaccines/

#### 2022 HURRICANE SEASON PREPAREDNESS

Hurricane season is here and began on June 1, 2022. Please make sure you are prepared and visit <u>Public Safety - Emergency Management Hurricane (pbcgov.org)</u> for an official hurricane guide from the Palm Beach County Emergency Information Center (available in English, Spanish and Creole).

#### **NEWS RELEASES**

#### Assistance with New Businesses and those making Home Improvements

Please help us help you! It's never too early to reach out to the Development Services Department if you are thinking of opening a new business in Town, moving your business to a new location or doing a home improvement project. The earlier you know if permits are needed, if your use is permitted at a location and/or if there are certain code requirements that need to be met, the more seamless we can make the process. Having the information ahead of time will help facilitate a successful outcome and will assist in preventing frustration and unnecessary delays. The Development Services Department is here to guide you through every step of the Town's processes and requirements.

#### **Drinking Water Discoloration**

Periodically, it has been brought to the attention of Town staff that there are areas of the Town that occasionally experience water discoloration. Please be advised that our drinking water is monitored and tested on a daily basis and that it continues to confirm that it is safe to drink and that it is well within all Florida Department of Health parameters.

If at any time, you have any concerns regarding the color and/or quality of your drinking water, please contact the Water Plant at (561) 540-5760 between the hours of 7:00 AM and 4:00 PM so that we can address your specific concern to determine the possible reason for the water discoloration.

#### Clean Up After Your Pets

As a Friendly Reminder to our Pet Owners... Please Clean Up After Your Pets — It's the Law!

Please be courteous to your neighbors and your community by promptly picking up all solid waste material from your pet and disposing of it appropriately. Uncollected pet waste is a threat to the health of our children, degrades our Town and can transmit diseases. Failure to pick up your pet's waste is a violation of our Town's Code of Ordinances and may result in the assessment of fines.

Thanks in advance for your continued cooperation and assistance in keeping the Town of Lantana beautiful and safe!

# Dune Restoration Project Delayed due to Current Unfavorable Conditions

There was insufficient dry beach width at Lantana's Municipal Beach in order to conduct the Dune Restoration Project during the originally planned construction season. The Town of Palm Beach and their consultant will continue to monitor the shoreline conditions with the anticipation of returning in November 2022, following sea turtle nesting season. If at that time the proper conditions exist, dune sand will be placed in both the Towns of Lantana and South Palm Beach, as planned. The sand that will be used for this construction effort will remain in place on the beaches south of Phipps Ocean Park in Palm Beach. As our interlocal agreement remains in place, the Town of Lantana continues to partner with both the Towns of Palm Beach and South Palm Beach in an effort to promote healthy beach and dune systems along the entirety of Palm Beach Island. Thank you for your patience and understanding throughout this process!

# TOWN CLERK

# Greater Lantana School Community Education Council Information

There are multiple openings on the Town of Lantana's Greater Lantana School Community Education Council. To receive an application and be considered for an appointment, please contact Kathleen Dominguez, Town Clerk, by phone at (561) 540-5016 or email at <u>kdominguez@lantana.org</u>.

# School Supply Drive

The Greater Lantana School Community Education Council is sponsoring a school supply drive for all age groups through the summer until September 1<sup>st</sup>. School supply donations can be dropped off in the Library, Lantana Fitness, Old Key Lime House and Town Hall Lobby area. Please contact Kathleen Dominguez, Town Clerk, for a wish list or to receive more information at (561) 540-5016 or email at kdominguez@lantana.org.

# Schedule of Upcoming Events/Important Dates

- August 3, 2022, Lantana Police Relief and Pension Board of Trustees Quarterly Meeting, Police Department at 9:00 AM
- August 4, 2022, Lantana Firefighters Pension Board Meeting, 7240 7<sup>th</sup> Place North, West Palm Beach, FL 33411, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room at 9:00 AM
- August 8, 2022 Town Council Workshop Meeting, Town Hall at 5:30 PM
- August 8, 2022 Town Council Meeting, Town Hall at 6:00 PM
- August 18, 2022 Special Magistrate Hearing, Town Hall at 5:30 PM
- August 22, 2022 Town Council Meeting, Town Hall at 6:00 PM (CANCELLED)

# **OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT**

# 2021 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report

Each year, the Town prepares its Annual Drinking Water Quality Report (Report), that is designed to inform our customers about the water quality and services that we deliver to you every day. One of the Town's highest priorities is to always provide a safe and dependable supply of drinking water and this Report is utilized to communicate to our customers the effort involved in achieving that goal.

In accordance with Federal and State laws, rules and regulations and the Palm Beach County Health Department, the Town routinely monitors its drinking water for contaminants which may be present. The forthcoming Report presents the results of the monitoring process and what they mean for the period January 1 – December 31, 2021, unless otherwise indicated. The report was made available

on the Town's website at <u>www.lantana.org/annual-water-quality-report</u> on July 1, 2022. A separate letter that provided additional related information was mailed to the Town's utility billing customers in early June 2022.

# Sea Pines Neighborhood Information

The Operation's Utilities Division is equipped with pumps that can be immediately mobilized to mitigate potential street flooding and threats to property. Stormwater infrastructure maintenance is routinely performed and a Stormwater Pump Station has been advertised for construction and closes on July 30, 2022. This Pump Station will be utilized to control the water level there and reduce the likelihood of street flooding in the area.

# Equipment Update

- Seven (7) operational vehicles were ordered in FY 2021/22 and to date six (6) have been delivered. One (1) vehicle order was cancelled by the manufacturer.
- In January 2022, the Town placed an order for state-of-the-art AED devices to be placed in every Town facility. The devices were expected to be delivered in mid-July 2022, but due to supply chain related issues, the new delivery date is now October 2022. Once the equipment is received, we will coordinate with the vendor and Palm Beach County Fire Rescue for equipment and CPR training, respectively for staff.

# Enjoy Lantana! Events

Haunted Nature Preserve October 28, 2022.

# Railway Information

On March 17, 2022, at the request of brightline, the Town sent a letter of support to the Honorable Pete Buttigieg of the U.S. Department of Transportation that expressed the Town's strong support for the Florida East Coast Corridor Trespassing and Intrusion Mitigation Project. It is our understanding that this RAISE grant would make available nearly \$45M in funds from the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) and brightline. These funds would be utilized for safety enhancements along the corridor that services our community, residents and visitors.

On March 23, 2022, staff had an on-site meeting with Florida East Coast Railway (FEC) and brightline engineers to establish a better working relationship with both organizations. In addition, we discussed the possibility of applying for and obtaining some potential grant funding or participating in some sort of cost sharing project to upgrade and enhance safety features along the corridor that services our community.

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# Operations Department's Ongoing Projects

Title	Funding Yr	Start	Est Completion	Comments
WTP High Service	FY 2020/21	Aug 2021	Oct 2022	On hold,
Pumps	(rollover to	Ŭ		awaiting
Replacement	FY 2021/22)			parts.
E Lantana Rd	FY 2020/21	Not Determined	Not Determined	Pending
Improvements	(rollover to			Contract
	FY 2021/22)			award.
Lift Station	FY 2020/21	Not Determined	Not Determined	Contract
Rehabilitation	(rollover to			awarded,
(6,16,18)	FY 2021/22)			awaiting
				scheduling
				with
				contractor.
Sea Pines	FY 2020/21	Not Determined	Not Determined	Being
Stormwater Pump	(rollover to			advertised,
Station	FY 2021/22)			.Bid closes
	EV 0000/04	h		07/30/2022. TBD. Additional
WTP Filter Media	FY 2020/21	Jun 2021	TBD	scope of work
Replacement &	(rollover to			has been
Improvements	FY 2021/22)			identified and
				as a result
				\$1.2M has
				been included
				in the Proposed FY 2022/23
				Budget.
Water Main	FY 2020/21	Not Determined	Not Determined	90%
Replacement	(rollover to			designed.
Under FEC @ Pine	FY 2021/22)			
St				
ADA Ramp Re-Bid	FY 2021/22	Not Determined	Not Determined	Insurance
				claim has
				been settled,
				Ramp Design
				will be
				determined
				upon completion of
				the Dune
				Restoration
				Project.
SE Atlantic Dr.,	Not funded, will be	Not Determined	Not Determined	CSA with
Beach Curve Rd.,	included in FY			Baxter &
Barefoot Lane,	2021/22 year-end			Woodman
Lagoon Lane,	budget			approved
N. Atlantic	amendment			03/14/2022 to
Drainage				study and
Improvements				design
				drainage
				improve.
				on Hypoluxo
				Island, study
				underway.

Beach Pavilion Repairs	FY 2020/21 (FY 2021/22 not funded)	Not Determined	Not Determined	Bldg. use/purpose being evaluated as part of the Master Plan.
Maddock Park CDBG	Grant FY 2021/22	July 2022	April 2023	Bid closed 06/28/2022, awarding of contract to be considered at the 07/25/2022 Town Council Meeting.
Milling & Paving Townwide	FY 2021/22	Est Nov 2021	TBD	Delayed pending ADA Ramp Cost.
Beach Rails Phase II	FY 2021/22	Not Determined	Not Determined	Project deferred until FY 2022/23.
Pipe Lining/Manhole Rehabilitation Sanitary Sewer	FY2021/22	TBD	TBD	Contract awarded, project underway.

# DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

# Water Tower Commons Project Update

Phase II of the Residential project is currently in progress, and is nearing completion. The Town has issued building permits for Wawa and Chick-fil-a. At the July 11 Town Council meeting, an applicantinitiated text amendment to allow car washes on properties over 25 acres from Water Tower Commons was approved on 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading. Staff is currently processing a Special Exception, Site Plan, Landscape Plan for a portion of the eastern commercial side of the project. The Developer is currently working with an artist to install a piece of artwork to fulfill the requirement of the Art in Public Places for the Development.

# Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council (TCRPC) Update

Dana Little, Urban Design Director and his team from the TCRPC held the Lantana Master Plan Public Charrette on July 9, 2022. The Charrette was attended by more than 60 people who participated in the discussion for the Town's vision. The TCRPC held a design studio on July 10-13, 2022 in the Town Council Chambers. Dana Little will make a "Work-In-Progress" presentation on the Master Plan at the July 25, 2022 Town Council meeting.

# Traffic Calming on W Pine St and W Ocean Ave

On March 15, 2022, residents gathered for a Citizen Meeting to discuss traffic calming along W Pine St and W Ocean Ave. Residents discussed desired locations and ideas for improving conditions for pedestrians and non-motorized vehicles in the neighborhood. Town Staff in conjunction with our contracted Traffic Engineers has identified speed cushion locations for the neighborhood and is currently coordinating installation of speed cushions.

#### Traffic Calming in Pinewood St Area

On April 7, 2022, the Administration met with residents from the Pinewood St Area to address traffic and safety concerns that they had. As a result of that meeting, the Police Department conducted traffic enforcement on W Pine St, however no major concerns were observed. On May 24, 2022, the Administration provided information regarding our analysis and additional general traffic calming information via email to the resident that had requested the meeting. The Town will continue to review and monitor the area to see what type of traffic calming measure(s) may be utilized in the future, if deemed appropriate.

#### Traffic Calming Policy Update

The Town recently engaged Kimley-Horn, our Traffic Engineers, to review our existing Traffic Calming policy and Guidelines and to make professional recommendations and potential changes to the process in which citizens and staff make and review traffic calming requests, respectively.

#### Dixie Highway Parking

At the June 13, 2022, Town Council Meeting, several residents raised their concerns about the potential issues caused by the parking of cars near the intersection of Dixie Highway and Lakewood Avenue. Although this issue had been previously reviewed by FDOT, staff had reached out to them again to see what options may exist (including the removal of the parking spaces) at that location to improve visibility while pulling out of Lakewood Avenue onto Dixie Highway.

On July 5, 2022, FDOT responded to the Town stating that the existing parking spaces met current FDOT standards and that a pattern of crashes associated with the on-street parking did not exist. They believed the problem was the result of cars parking illegally in the striped area. As a result of this analysis, the following actions have been taken:

- June 2, 2022, FDOT installed a "No Parking" sign in the striped area to facilitate traffic enforcement.
- July 13, 2022, the Town Manager followed up with the residents' representative to let them know of FDOT's response.
  - In addition, the representative had indicated that the current situation was better due to recent Code Enforcement activity in the vicinity.
  - The Police Department is closely monitoring this area and will strictly enforce the parking restrictions.
- July 14, 2022, the Town sent letters to both the property owners as well as the business operators making them aware of the situation and asking them to assist the Town in ensuring that vehicles are parked within the designated on-street parking spaces and to call the Lantana Police Department if they see vehicles illegally parked.
- The Town will continue to closely monitor the area for unsafe conditions.

#### Business Tax Receipts

FY 2022/23 business tax receipts are now for sale at the Development Services Department. Any business or rental property operating in the Town should pay their business tax receipt for the upcoming fiscal year (October 1, 2022-September 30, 2023) by the September 30, 2022 deadline to be in compliance. Payments can be made at the Development Services Department or by mailing a check made payable to "Town of Lantana" at 504 Greynolds Circle for the specified amount.

# Development Services Department's Ongoing Projects

Ongoing Applicant- Initiated Projects	<ul> <li>Lantana Cabana (Restaurant at the Moorings) – Site Plan, Landscape Plan, Special Exception for a Planned Development</li> <li>1199 W Lantana Rd (Water Tower Commons Commercial) – Site Plan, Landscape Plan, Special Exception to modify the planned development</li> <li>Lantana Village – Site Plan, Landscape Plan, Special Exception for a Planned Development</li> <li>1300 W Lantana Rd – Special Exception for a car wash</li> <li>308 N Dixie Hwy – Site Plan and Landscape Plan for retail space</li> </ul>
Other Ongoing Projects	<ul> <li>Coordination with outside vendors on permit process improvements, including future online permitting capabilities</li> <li>Participation in the Palm Beach County Housing Action Plan</li> </ul>
Active Special Event Permits	<ul> <li>Food Truck at Sports Park (through September 2022)</li> </ul>

# FINANCE DEPARTMENT

# American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funding Update

The Town received more than \$3.1M as the first tranche of ARPA funds in late September. Staff will evaluate the next course of action and how to best utilize these funds which must be obligated by December 31, 2024, and expended by December 31, 2026. Eligible uses of funds include a wide range of projects that benefit the Town. The ARPA annual report was submitted to the U.S. Treasury on April 8, 2022.

# FY 2020/21 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR)

The ACFR was submitted to the Town Council at the March 28, 2022 Town Council Meeting with an unqualified (clean) opinion.

# FY 2021/22 Annual Budget

The FY 2021/22 annual public budget hearings were held on September 13, 2021 and September 23, 2021. The Annual Budget was adopted by Resolution on September 23, 2021. The FY 2021/22 Annual Budget was amended through the mid-year budget amendment at the April 11, 2022 Town Council meeting.

# FY 2022/23 Annual Budget

The budget process began in April 2022. The FY 2022/23 annual budget documents were distributed to departments who submitted their requests back to the Finance Department at the end of April. Meetings were held in mid-May where Management reviewed their requests. The first and second budget workshops were held at 5:30 PM on June 13, 2022, and July 12, 2022, respectively. The draft budget is balanced with the Town Council approving the proposed millage rate of 3.75 and set the date and time of the first public budget hearing to be held Monday, September 12, 2022 at 5:30 PM.

# Town Council Visioning Session

On April 22, 2022, the Town Council held a Workshop/Visioning Session at the Finland House, which was publicly noticed and open to the public. In attendance were all elected officials, Town Manager, Town Attorney, Town Clerk and other staff. The meeting was the first of many that has assisted in the preparation of the draft FY 2022/23 Operating and Capital Budget. At the meeting the following items were presented/discussed:

- The Town Attorney provided a Town Councilmember Orientation Session
- The Town Manager reviewed the Town's recent accomplishments, improvements as well as both current and future projects
- Various Department Heads and staff members provided departmental overviews that outlined each department's primary functions, accomplishments and short and long-term goals
- The Town Manager reviewed short-term goals that each Councilmember had individually identified as priorities to determine if there was consensus to make it a Town priority
- The Town Manager provided a list of items to determine if there was consensus to bring these items back for future Council consideration, if necessary

No formal action was taken at this meeting, as it was a Workshop.

# Town Council Workshops

On May 27, 2022, the Town Council held a Workshop which was publicly noticed and open to the public. In attendance were all elected officials, Town Manager, Town Attorney, Town Clerk, other staff and members of the public. At the Workshop, the Development Services Director made a presentation pertaining to the Land Development Regulations and the status of downtown vacant properties.

On June 10, 2022, the Town Council held a Workshop which was publicly noticed and open to the public. In attendance were all elected officials, Town Manager, Town Attorney, Town Clerk, other staff and members of the public. At the Workshop, the Development Services Director made a presentation pertaining to the vacant Kmart parcel located at 1201 S Dixie Hwy.

No formal action was taken at either of the meetings referenced above, as they were Workshops.

# **Hiring Opportunities**

The Town of Lantana is accepting applications for career opportunities. Interested applicants can apply online for positions by visiting our career page at <u>https://www.lantana.org/jobs</u>.

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# Finance Department's Monthly Report (June 2022)



Town of Lantana Finance Department Monthly Report

Item	June
Number of accounts payable checks issued	142
Amount of accounts payable checks	\$ 1,216,408
Utility bills prepared	3,516
Utility accounts on Auto-Pay	847
Utility accounts opened	38
Town water consumption (in thousands of gallons)	6,230
Water consumed (net of Town usage in thousands of gallons)	53,705
Water/Wastewater Utility Revenue Billed	\$ 347,647
New employees	5
Separated employees	4
Number of interviews	6
Number of insurance claims managed	27
SysAid tickets completed (I.T.)	59
Security logs reviewed	4,526
Backups performed (computer, server, etc.)	368
Network add/change/deletions	-84

#### GRANTS

Community Development Block Grants (CDBG)

• FY 2021/22 CDBG Grant (Maddock Park)

On September 13, 2021, the Town Council approved entering into an agreement with Palm Beach County for the above-referred grant in the amount of \$133,000.00 for improvements to Maddock Park. The improvements included the installation of grills, picnic tables, exercise equipment and additions to the existing playground.

On July 25, 2022, the Town Council will be requested to approve awarding a construction agreement to Conengineers Builders LLC in the amount \$67,210.04 to perform the related work which is expected to be completed by December 31, 2022.

• FY 2022/23 CDBG Grant (Maddock Park Phase II)

In the near future, the Town Council will be requested to approve entering into an agreement with Palm Beach County for the above-referred grant in the amount of \$55,740.00 for improvements to Maddock Park – Phase II. The improvements will provide the Maddock Park Dog Park with new fencing, benches, waste stations, water fountains and obstacle

courses/exercise stations. Upon the approval of the agreement with Palm Beach County, staff will bid out the project and present a recommendation for a contract award for the Phase II Improvements at a later date.

# 2022 Florida Recreational Development Assistance Grant (FRDAP)

The Town is currently working with our professional grant writer to research, write and prepare two (2) grant applications for the 2023 FRDAP Grant Program. The grant applications will pertain to various improvements at Maddock and Bicentennial Parks and will be submitted in the near future.

# Potential Congressional Community Project Funding (CPF)

On April 12, 2022, staff held a conference call with Congresswoman Lois Frankel's (FL-21) Deputy Chief of Staff | Legislative Director to discuss the possibility of the Town receiving funding (i.e., earmarks) from the Federal Government. As a result of the meeting, the following occurred:

- April 14, 2022 the Town submitted a \$1.2M grant application through Congresswoman Lois Frankel's Office for CPF to replace some of the Town's oldest water mains that are made up of asbestos cement.
- May 19, 2022 the Town received a letter from Congresswoman Lois Frankel's Office confirming they had selected our proposal and were submitting it to the House Committee on Appropriations for inclusion in the 2023 federal budget.
- May 23, 2022 the Town Council adopted a Resolution supporting the Town's submission of CPF for this project.

# **Background**

The Town utilizes a potable water distribution system consisting of a piping network that covers approximately 1,800 acres or 2.8 miles. The network is made up of pipes that are between 4 and 14 inches in diameter with the majority being between 6 and 8 inches in diameter. The oldest water mains were installed in 1962 and are made of asbestos cement that were installed behind homes along utility easements. These water mains have now exceeded or are nearing the end of their useful life and need to be replaced in order to ensure reliable water service delivery.

# Infrastructure Grant Information

On February 22 and on March 22, 2022, staff met with our engineers, consultant and a professional grant writer to discuss multiple potential grant funding opportunities to the Town including:

# Community Planning Technical Assistance (CPTA) Grants

# Stormwater Drainage System and Future Needs Analysis

CPTA Grants assist local governments in implementing various planning projects. On April 7, 2022, the Town submitted an application for consideration of the CPTA Grant to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity for Stormwater System Analysis.

#### **Background**

The Town of Lantana is located in coastal Palm Beach County and faces increasing impacts from sealevel rise and more frequent rain events. As potential damage to residences, businesses, critical facilities, and transportation corridors becomes more of an immediate threat, the Town must take action to develop effective and resilient infrastructure, especially for stormwater facilities. The proposed project is requesting funding in the amount of \$62,121.00 to complete an assessment of the existing drainage system and use that data to develop a long-term level of service standards that meet the changing coastal conditions. This effort will include evaluation, modeling, land use planning and recommendations for improvements to the stormwater system that are needed to further the Town's goal of resiliency.

- Resilient Florida Grant Program within the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) provides funding to local governments for community resilience planning, (i.e., Public Seawall)
- Rebuild Florida Mitigation General Infrastructure Program provides funding to local governments to assist in the development of large-scale mitigation projects that promote disaster resiliency, (i.e., Hardening of Water Plant)

On June 14, 2022, the Town received formal notification from the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity that confirmed our grant proposal for the Stormwater Drainage System and Future Needs Analysis was selected for funding in the amount up to \$62,121.00.

# 2023 Resilient Florida Grant Program

# Asset Inventory and Ocean Avenue Vulnerability Assessment

On June 22, 2022, Town staff worked in conjunction with our professional grant writer to submit through the Florida Department of Environmental Protection an Asset Inventory and Ocean Avenue Vulnerability Assessment in the amount of \$167,000.00 (with no grant match amount) to:

- 1) conduct a Critical Asset Inventory for Lantana (as required by statute); and
- 2) complete a Vulnerability Assessment for the assets owned and managed by the Town located within the Ocean Avenue corridor from US-1 to the Municipal Beach, which includes Bicentennial Park, Lyman Kayak Park, Sportsman's Park boat ramps, Lantana Nature Preserve and the Municipal Beach facilities.

At the July 11, 2022 Town Council Meeting, the Town Council adopted Resolution No. R-08-2022, supporting the initiative.

Staff is currently working with our professional grant writer to submit two (2) other Grant applications under this funding source that may include:

- 1) Seawall Improvements
- 2) Stormwater Improvements

# 2023 Rebuild Florida General Infrastructure Grant

Staff is currently working with our professional grant writer to submit two (2) Grant applications under this funding source that may include:

- 1) Water Main Improvements
- 2) Water Plant Improvements

It is important to note, that all of these funding sources have various deadlines, criteria and possibly cost-sharing requirements that the Town would need to meet in order to qualify for consideration. We are working with all of our business partners referenced above to determine which current and/or future projects may be most likely to be funded under the existing provisions and we will continue to apply for such funding, if applicable.

# LIBRARY DEPARTMENT

#### Temporary Location

While our Library facility is undergoing its remodeling project, the Library has been temporarily relocated to 418 S Dixie Hwy.

#### Remodeling Project Update

At the May 9, 2022 Town Council Meeting, the Town Council approved an Agreement with West Construction, Inc. to complete the renovation of the Town Library in an amount not to exceed \$734,227.20 (this amount includes a 5% Contingency). The Project is expected to be completed within one hundred twenty (120) consecutive calendar days (approximately 09/08/2022) from the Notice to Proceed (NTP) issued by the Town. Liquidated Damages in the amount of \$500.00/day shall be assessed if the Contractor fails to meet the date for Final Completion and will be deducted from any monies due the Contractor, if necessary.

As an incentive to complete this project early and to minimize any potential cost overruns, Contractor shall be entitled to a Performance Bonus, conditioned upon achieving Final Completion within ninety (90) days (approximately 08/08/2022) after receiving the NTP. The Performance Bonus will be equal to any remaining portion of the 5% Contingency Sum, should any portion remain. The Contractor will not be entitled to any Performance Bonus if Final Completion is beyond 90 days following the issuance of the NTP or if no portion of the 5% Contingency Sum remains.

Landscapers are on now on site through project completion to ensure that all conditions are met. Beginning the week of July 25, 2022 the following tasks are expected to occur:

- Interior/exterior priming and painting will begin.
- The air conditioning units are planned to be set on the roof mid-week and all tie ins should be completed by the following Monday.
- Once the air conditioning is operational, the interior finishes (i.e., carpet, flooring, fixtures signage and millwork) can be completed.

Although Construction is currently anticipated to be completed at the end of August 2022, this timeframe may need to be adjusted due to circumstances beyond the contractor's control. The Town will work in a collaborative spirit with the contractor to extend any necessary deadlines as a result of such delays.

# Summer Reading Program: Oceans of Possibilities at your Lantana Public Library

Summer reading program is still in full swing! The more books that kids, teens and adults read over the summer, the more chances they have to win prizes donated by local restaurants and purchased by the Friends of the Library! They can also earn prize drawing tickets by attending programs. The goal is to stop the "summer slide" – where youth lose 20-30% of knowledge over the summer which can turn into a snowball effect. We wanted to include our adults this year, too! Have you signed up yet?



Bailey helping kids experiment with salt and other materials to release creatures from "glaciers"

#### Upcoming Summer Programs

**Paws to Read – Read to a Sheriff's Therapy Dog** – Every other Wednesday at 11:00 AM

Seaweed Storytime – Saturdays at 11:00 AM

**Gizmos and Gadgets STEM program for Youth** – Tuesdays at 2:00 PM

Adobe Premiere Classes for Teens and Adults – Every other Thursday starting June 16,2022 at 3:00 PM

Music Production for Kids and Teens with Lindsey Mills – Starting June 28, 2022 from 12:00 PM – 3:00 PM

#### Don't forget to check-out your FREE state park pass this summer!



Teen Volunteer Joseph restocks the Nature Preserve Library

# POLICE DEPARTMENT

Police Department's Ongoing Projects and Current Trends

- Two (2) of the three (3) Ford Utility Interceptor vehicles have been delivered and are currently being equipped.
- Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) continues in various areas throughout Town to address traffic violators.
- We are experiencing an increase in BITCOIN fraud cases in which the victims are receiving phone calls and are being asked to provide personal information over the phone. Do not provide any of your personal information over the phone or via the internet.
- Two (2) new full-time officers are currently in their Field Training program.
- All sworn officers have recently completed their annual high liability training.

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The Library is in need of kids book donations for our Little Libraries!

Please email Jane Smith @ jsmith@lantana.org for additional information.

# FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT

Fire Rescue Department's Municipal Call Type Report Chart



# Palm Beach County Fire Rescue Lantana - # of Calls by Type 20220601 to 20220630

Type - Situation Dispatched	# of Incidents	
Medical Calls:	185	
Vehicle Accidents:	29	
Fires:	3	
Hazardous Situations:	4	
Assists\Investigations:	15	
Alarms:	17	
Train Incident:	1	
Total number of Events:	254	



Note: Fire Rescue Services (Fire Station #37) are provided through a 10-year interlocal agreement with Palm Beach County that expires on December 31, 2027.



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