

**TOWN OF OCEAN RIDGE  
TOWN COMMISSION SPECIAL/EMERGENCY MEETING  
AGENDA**



**NOVEMBER 6, 2020  
4:00 P.M.  
TOWN HALL – MEETING CHAMBERS**

**TOWN COMMISSION**

Mayor de Haseth

Commissioner Philip Besler

Commissioner Susan Hurlburt

Vice Mayor Steve Coz

Commissioner Wiescholek

**ADMINISTRATION**

Town Manager Tracey L. Stevens

Town Clerk Karla Armstrong

Town Attorney Pamala H. Ryan

Police Chief Hal C. Hutchins

**RULES FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

1. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** The public is encouraged to offer comments with the order of presentation being as follows: Town Staff, public comments, Commission discussion and official action. Town Commission meetings are business meetings and the right to limit discussion rests with the Commission. **Generally, remarks by an individual will be limited to one time up to three minutes or less regarding any single item on the agenda.** The Mayor or presiding officer has discretion to adjust the amount of time allocated.
  - A. Public Hearings: Any citizen is entitled to speak on items under this section.
  - B. Public Comments: Any citizen is entitled to be heard concerning any matter within the scope of jurisdiction of the commission under this section. The Commission may withhold comment or direct the Town Manager to take action on requests or comments. The Commission meetings are held for the purpose of discussing and establishing policy and to review such other issues that affect the general welfare of the Town and its residents. Where possible individual grievances should first be taken up with the Town Staff.
  - C. Regular Agenda and First Reading Items: When extraordinary circumstances or reasons exist and at the discretion of the Commission, citizens may speak on any official agenda item under these sections.
  
2. **ADDRESSING THE COMMISSION:** At the appropriate time, please step up to the podium and state your name and address for the record. All comments must be addressed to the Commission as a body and not to individuals. Any person making impertinent or slanderous remarks or who becomes boisterous while addressing the Commission shall be barred by the presiding officer from speaking further, unless permission to continue or again address the Commission is granted by a majority vote of the Commission members present.

**APPELLATE PROCEDURES**

Please be advised that if a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Town Commission with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, such person will need to ensure that a verbatim record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based. The Town neither provides nor prepares such record.

Persons who need an accommodation in order to attend or participate in this meeting should contact the Town Clerk at (561) 732-2635 at least 2 days prior to the meeting in order to request such assistance.

**CALL TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**RESOLUTIONS**

1. Resolution No. 2020-28: Resolution of the Town of Ocean Ridge, Florida, Declaring a State of Emergency Within the Town of Ocean Ridge.

**ADJOURNMENT**

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-28

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF OCEAN RIDGE, FLORIDA, DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY WITHIN THE TOWN OF OCEAN RIDGE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, on November 6, 2020, the National Hurricane Center advised that Tropical Depression ETA was moving toward South Florida; and

WHEREAS, Tropical Depression Eta is expected to become a Tropical Storm; and

WHEREAS, the Town Commission anticipates that Governor DeSantis and Palm Beach County may declare a State of Emergency due to Tropical Depression Eta; and

WHEREAS, in anticipation of the declaration of a State of Emergency within the State of Florida and by Palm Beach County due to Tropical Depression Eta, an emergency Town Commission meeting has been called for November 6, 2020 and

WHEREAS, due to the timing issue mentioned above, this declaration of a State of Emergency within the Town of Ocean Ridge shall not go into effect until the State and Palm Beach County declare a State of Emergency, and the Acting Town Manager has determined that there is an impending chance that Tropical Depression will impact the town; and

WHEREAS, if the Acting Town Manager make such determination, the following declarations, duties and assignments as listed below shall be effective.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF OCEAN RIDGE, FLORIDA THAT:

Section 1.     **Emergency Declared.** A State of Emergency exists within the Town of Ocean Ridge, Palm Beach County, Florida due to the effects of anticipated heavy rainfall, high tides, gale force winds, and flooding associated with Tropical Depression Eta.

Section 2.     **Duties authorized.** The Town Manager and the Police Chief are hereby authorized and directed to carry out their respective duties pursuant to the State, County and Town Emergency Management Plans and Ordinances, and to coordinate with all County, State and Federal Emergency Management authorities regarding the same in the event that a State of Emergency is declared by the Governor of the State of Florida.

Section 3.     **Employee Assignment.** Employees working under this Town Emergency Declaration as authorized and directed to carry out their respective duties, are eligible for full storm remunerations, where otherwise personnel policy partially exempts restricting same.

Section 4.     This Resolution shall be effective upon adoption for a period of 7 days, unless extended or dissolved earlier.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_ who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_.

The Mayor thereupon declared this Resolution approved and adopted by the Town Commission of the Town of Ocean Ridge, Florida, this 6<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2020.

TOWN OF OCEAN RIDGE, FLORIDA

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Kristine de Haseth, Mayor

Attest:

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Karla Armstrong, Town Clerk