

**FINAL AGENDA AND MINUTES  
TOWN OF JUPITER  
ENVIRONMENTAL TASK FORCE MEETING  
COMMUNITY CENTER ROOM C  
MONDAY, JANUARY 10, 2022**

Chair Torsiello called the meeting to order at 5:59 P.M.

Roll Call: Remy Torsiello (Chair); Christina Akly; Christa Cherry; Emily O'Mahoney; Willie Puz; Melinda Parrott (ALT); and Laura Cahill, Staff Liaison. Evan Nader and Meghan Henehan were absent.

**MINUTES**

**1. December 13, 2021 ETF Meeting Minutes**

Ms. O'Mahoney moved to approve the December 13, 2021 meeting minutes, as amended; second by Mr. Puz; motion passed.

Torsiello	Akly	Cherry	O'Mahoney	Parrot	Puz
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

**PUBLIC BUSINESS**

**2. Selection of Vice-Chair**

Ms. O'Mahoney motioned to elect Mr. Nader for Vice-Chair; seconded by Ms. Cherry; motion passed.

Torsiello	Akly	Cherry	O'Mahoney	Parrot	Puz
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

**3. Approving a Memo of Support for the Sims Creek Preserve and the Loxahatchee Backwaters Natural Area Improvements.**

The Task Force reviewed the memo and asked for it to be sent to Council when the items came before them for approval.

Ms. O'Mahoney motioned to approve a memo of support for the Sims Creek Preserve and the Loxahatchee Backwaters Natural Area Improvements; second by Ms. Akly; motion passed.

Torsiello	Akly	Cherry	O'Mahoney	Parrot	Puz
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

**PUBLIC BUSINESS**

4. ETF Purpose and Direction Discussion

Ms. Torsiello felt it was important to know what the Task Force's purpose was. She said she thought it was to assist the Town Council in environmental matters.

Mr. Puz stated Council had specific things they wanted in a short amount of time but at this point he was not sure where the Task Force fit and felt like they were in a holding pattern with no direction.

Ms. O'Mahoney said she didn't think the Town knew what they wanted from the Task Force. She felt the Task Force should be more of an advisory committee which had impact and specific ways to aid the Town Council in general. Ms. O'Mahoney felt the new sustainability coordinator should be the Task Force liaison and she suggested an outside consultant prepare a sustainability plan for the Town.

Mr. Puz said so far, the Task Force had only been asked to give a stamp of approval for projects that were already planned and he felt the talent and expertise was too great to just give a stamp of approval.

The members discuss the vague purpose on the Resolution; the job description for the sustainability coordinator; updating Town Codes; and open space.

The members discussed contacting Council with their thoughts. Ms. Cahill mentioned there was an upcoming strategic planning workshop or members could email Council with their comments.

Ms. Parrott suggested focusing comments on supporting the sustainability coordinator position and that the Task Force was looking forward to a relationship to help enhance sustainability practices in the Town.

Mr. Puz reiterated his views that any new Town Buildings should be Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certified to set leadership standards and examples.

5. Task Force Member Comments

Mr. Puz congratulated Ms. Torsiello on the Chair position and said he was glad to see everyone.

**ADJOURNMENT** – 6:58 P.M.

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, Recording Secretary

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Remy Torsiello, Chair  
Vivien McClean-Bunce  
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