

## Town of Ocean Ridge

# Memorandum

**Date:** June 1 2016  
**To:** Honorable Mayor and Commissioners  
**From:** Jamie Titcomb, Town Manager  
**Re:** Town Manager Report – Regular Town Commission Meeting

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## Midlane Road Closure

In order to pursue a permanent closure of Midlane Road the Town will need to apply to Palm Beach County Engineering/Roadway Division for Woolbright Right of Way (ROW) modifications. Our engineers will need to quote, design and engineer curbing, striping, berm and landscaping configurations for the excavated roadway area to be closed permanently; review the Ridge Lane median footprint and landscaping (currently not FDOT compliant); and submit a MOTP (traffic management plan) to address any permanent closure for traffic flows, evacuations and emergencies. Staff is in process of removing the temporary closure stakes, but plan to leave “Local Only” signage in place. Other configurations are also being considered.

## Ocean Avenue Tree Assessment Plan

We received the assessment report from our Certified Arborist and a \$3,865 proposal to remove critically damaged trees along Ocean Avenue working with impacted/adjacent homeowners. Commencement of work is pending identification of replacement plantings and communications with property owners.

## Woolbright Detention Area

We toured the Woolbright Road Detention & Natural Hammock Area with Palm Beach County ERM staff to assess plantings, functionality and condition. Minor recommendations were made by ERM. Engenuity (Town Engineers) reshot elevations (recording very minor variances) and assessed other components of the system. Updates are being present by the Town Engineer at the June Town Commission meeting.

## PBA Contract Reopener Meeting

After town staff met with representatives of PBA for reopener talks on wage remunerations and merit based evaluation systems, the PBA countered our initial proposal with a scaled merit system chart percentages. We are reviewing the proposed scale system and preparing to meet with Town Commissioners individually to discuss the proposal parameters. A “Shade” session may be scheduled to set final numbers.

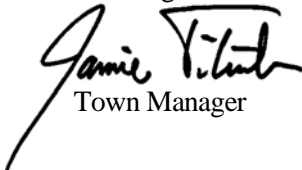
## Federal Issues

I traveled to Washington D.C. May 24-25<sup>th</sup> for FLC’s FAST Advocacy Trip. We had opportunity to meet with White House staff, National League of Cities staff and many members of our Congressional Delegation and staffs for focused municipal issues advocacy. Future town priorities may be impacted.

## Town Manager Vacation Notice

The week of Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup> through Monday, July 4<sup>th</sup> the Town Manager will be Out of Office and area on Vacation Leave. I will name an acting Town Manager point of contact in my absence.

Best Regards,

  
 Town Manager