

**Town of Welaka
Emergency Town Council Meeting
Monday, September 26, 2022
5:10 P.M.**



**This Meeting will be held at the
Honorable Willie Washington Town of Council Room
400 4th Ave., Welaka Fl. 32193**

This meeting will be broadcast, for view only, on the Town of Welaka's Facebook page.

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation**
- 3. Roll Call of Town Council**
- 4. Briefing with the Putnam County Emergency with the National Weather Service in Jacksonville at 5:15 p.m.**
- 5. Resolution No. 2022-06A: A Resolution declaring a State of Emergency in the Town of Welaka for Hurricane Ian.**
- 6. A motion to close Town Hall September 28 - October 2, 2022 due to Hurricane Ian.**
- 7. Adjourn**

RESOLUTION NO. 2022 - 06

A RESOLUTION FOR THE TOWN OF WELAKA, FLORIDA DECLARING A LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY DUE TO HURRICANE IAN THAT HAS POTENTIAL OF PRODUCING SEVERE WEATHER, SURGE, AND HIGH WIND THROUGHOUT THE TOWN AND THE COUNTY.

WHEREAS, Putnam County has adopted a Declaration of a State of Emergency in accordance with the County Emergency Management Plan and the Town of Welaka is a participant in said County Emergency Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor or his Designee, shall function as the Town Coordinating Officer responsible for communicating and coordinating with the County Emergency Operations Center for all requests for assistance through the appropriate Emergency Support Function as outlined in the County Emergency Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Town desires to be in a position to maximize all resources that may be available to prepare for and respond to this event in a coordinate fashion; and

WHEREAS, all Town Assets and Personnel are hereby ordered to be placed at the disposal of the Mayor to prepare for and respond to this storm event; and

WHEREAS, any Town regulations prescribing procedures for the conduct of Town business, if strict compliance would hinder necessary action in coping with emergency are hereby suspended; suspension of such procedures shall be at the direction of the Mayor and shall be subject to an accounting of the actions taken and the resources expended following the event; and

WHEREAS, the Town desires to insure that all possible efforts are being made to protect human life and property and shall work with the County and the State of Florida in accordance with the County's Emergency Management Plan when activated by the County.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY DECLARED this 26th day of, September, 2022, that:

1. A State of Emergency be declared locally for the Town of Welaka, Putnam County, Florida, and that said declaration serves to accept and adopt the County's Declaration of a Local State of Emergency and the implementation of the County's Emergency Management Plan.

2. The Mayor and/or his designee are authorized to take all action necessary and appropriate to secure resources to protect human life and property and to utilize all lawful authority granted to the Town under State laws as necessary to accomplish the same.

3. This Declaration is effective through the 3rd of October, 2022 and may be extended in seven-day increments if the State of Emergency for the County and the State of Florida are still in place, upon prior written notice to the Council of the need for the extension.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council for the Town of Welaka, Fl. at its Emergency Meeting assembled this 26th day of September 2022.

Jamie Watts, Mayor

Attest:

Meghan Allmon, Town Clerk

Jessica Finch, Council President