

Palm Beach County League of Cities, Inc.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Wednesday, January 28, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.
Abacoa Golf Club - Jupiter

MINUTES

1. Call to Order, Roll Call, Welcomes, Introductions

President Steve Wilson called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. Secretary Mo Thornton called the roll and a quorum was attained.

Board members present were: Steve Wilson, Dawn Pardo, Mo Thornton, Jerry Beavers, Robert Gottlieb, Bill Thrasher, Allie Biggs, Mike Mullaugh, David Levy, Jeff Hmara, Matt Willhite, Kimberly Glas-Castro, Gail Coniglio and Scott Maxwell **absent:** Robert Shalhoub, Bill Manuel, Jerry Taylor and Keith James

Past Presidents in attendance were: Todd Wodraska, Lisa Tropepe, Isaac Robinson (arrived 10:28), David Stewart, Susan Haynie and Ken Schultz.

Also in attendance were Harry Raucher and Rosemary Raymond, Lake Worth Drainage District; Scott Richards and Erin Entrekin, RG Towers; Woodrow Hay, Boynton Beach Chamber of Commerce; Vice Mayor Robert Gebbia, North Palm Beach; Vice Mayor David Swift, Royal Palm Beach; Captain Tom Mitchell, Delray Beach Police Department, Deputy Mayor Constance Scott, Boca Raton and League Staff: JeRiise Hansen.

2. Additions, Deletions, and/or Modifications to the Agenda

Additions: 5c. New Member Application – Florida Textile Recycling Program
5d. Recommendation for FLC Nominating Committee
6a. Vehicle for Hire Report
6b. C-51 Governance & Finance Workgroup Update

Motion by Mike Mullaugh and second by Dawn Pardo to approve the additions to the agenda. Motion carries unanimously.

3. Consent Agenda

- a. Minutes of Board Meeting, November 26, 2014
- b. Financial Reports for November and December 2014
- c. Appointments to the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council
Mayor Abby Brennan, Village of Tequesta
Commissioner Allie Biggs, City of Pahokee
- d. New Member Application – RG Towers, LLC

Motion by Robert Gottlieb and second by Dawn Pardo to approve the consent agenda. Motion carries unanimously.

4. Special Presentations

None

5. Miscellaneous Business

a. 2015 Legislative Priorities

Executive Director Richard Radcliffe informed the board that the League Legislative Committee met to discuss the 2015 League Priorities. Mr. Radcliffe stated that most of the priorities are the same as last year with the exception of the Bright Futures Scholarship Program, Public Records and Amendment 1 Distribution.

There was discussion.

Motion by Mike Mullaugh second by Dawn Pardo to approve the 2015 Legislative Priorities with the discussed clarifications and grammatical errors changed. Motion carries unanimously.

b. Adoption of PBC Ethics Awareness Month Proclamation

President Steve Wilson informed the board of the request for the adoption of the Ethics Awareness Month Proclamation. President Wilson asked for a motion.

Motion by Dawn Pardo and seconded to approve the League's March 2015 Ethics Awareness Month Proclamation. Motion carries unanimously.

c. New Member Application – Florida Textile Recycling Program

President Wilson informed the board that the new member application is sponsored by Mayor Sam Ferreri of Greenacres. President Wilson asked for a motion to accept.

Motion by David Levy second by Dawn Pardo to approve Florida Textile Recycling Program membership application. Motion carries unanimously.

d. Recommendation for FLC Nominating Committee

Executive Director Richard Radcliffe informed the board that the Florida League of Cities is seeking a recommendation from this League for the nominating committee.

There was discussion.

The board came to a consensus to recommend Councilwoman Judy Davis of Riviera Beach as the Palm Beach County League of Cities recommendation to the Florida League of Cities Nominating Committee. Motion carries unanimously.

6. Committee Report

a. Vehicle for Hire Report

Captain Tom Mitchell of the Delray Beach Police Department provided the board with a Vehicle for Hire update. Captain Mitchell stated that in the past two years the committee has re-written the vehicle for hire ordinance. He stated that the ordinance now covers sedans, limousines and medical transport along with taxi. Captain Mitchell informed the board that the committees focused on safety and security. He explained that they now require a level two background check, with fingerprinting which is checked on the state and federal level; insurance for the vehicles; and annual vehicle inspections by a ASE certified mechanic. He concluded by stating that to be in compliance you must pay the franchise fee (currently \$10,000), register all drivers (currently

\$250 per driver), a commercial structure in PBC, and a specific number of cars and service the entire county.

b. C-51 Governance & Finance Workgroup

Vice Mayor David Swift provided a summary of the workgroups December and January meetings. He stated that at the December meeting a resolution template endorsing the C-51 project was provided. Mr. Swift informed the board that to his knowledge no entity from Palm Beach County has pass the resolution and that Palm Beach County Vice Mayor Berger stated that the county is not ready to adopt the resolution because they are still conducting their own financial analysis.

7. Legal Report

Attorney Jennifer Gardner Ashton informed the board of a trial case that came out of Duval County regarding public records request by a group associated with the Chandler Brothers. She stated that a non profit was sued claiming a public records act violation. Ms. Ashton stated that the judge sided with the nonprofit and denied the plaintiff attorney's fees and cost stating the Act was not designed for people seeking to abuse the Act for financial gain.

Ms. Ashton informed the board of a public records bill that is being proposed by State Senator Wilton Simpson and House Rep. Halsey Beshear. The bill is trying to add a protection for nonprofit and prime businesses that do business with the government.

Ms. Ashton informed the board about the Town of Gulf Stream's Federal RICO claim against individuals who repeated filed public records request.

Ms. Ashton informed the board that there still has been no ruling in the Inspector General Funding Lawsuit.

8. Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Richard Radcliffe informed the board of the consent to serve form that is in their packets if they wish to be considered for the 2015-2016 Board of Directors. He stated that President Wilson will be announcing the nominating committee members at the February board meeting.

Mr. Radcliffe informed the board that due to Yom Kippur the September meeting has been moved to the fifth Wednesday, September 30th, instead of the fourth.

Mr. Radcliffe informed the board of the success of the Legislative Roundtable. He stated that next year he would like everyone to personally invite their senator and representative.

Mr. Radcliffe informed the board of the League's success at the December 2nd BCC meeting regarding the County's membership with the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council. He stated it was a 7-0 vote. He thanked everyone who was able to attend the meeting.

Mr. Radcliffe updated the board on the Solid Waste Authority's plans for Facility # 2. He stated that they decided not to move forward with an RFP and will do more outreach before they make a decision.

Mr. Radcliffe informed the board that FEMA maps have been rolled out and are currently in the 90 waiting period. He stated that any changes that need to be made to the maps must be done by April 1st.

9. Member Comments

President Wilson informed the board that the deadline for the County Administration position is February 2nd. He stated that the selection committee’s next meeting will be on February 17th.

Mayor David Stewart informed the board that he attended the Ethics Training session and provided his feedback.

Mayor Susan Haynie informed the board of the Florida Department of Transportation forum which will be held on Thursday February 5th from 1pm-5pm at the Delray Beach Old School Square to discuss and update the transportation plan.

Councilman Matt Willhite informed the board that his former fellow Councilman Howard Coates has been appointed by Governor Scott to fill a vacancy on the Palm Beach County Circuit Court Bench. He also stated that the council appointed Mr. John McGovern to fill Mr. Coates vacated seat.

10. Meetings Announcements

- a. Board of Directors Meeting, Palm Beach Shores Community Center10:00 a.m., Feb. 25th
- b. General Membership Meeting, Palm Beach Shores Community Center.....11:30 a.m., Feb. 25th

11. Adjournment - The Board adjourned at 11:20.