# Palm Beach County League of Cities, Inc. BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

# Wednesday, October 23, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. North Palm Beach Country Club

#### **MINUTES**

## 1. Call To Order, Roll Call, Welcomes, Introductions

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

**Board members present were:** Scott Maxwell, Steve Wilson, Dawn Pardo, Mo Thornton, Bill Manuel, Jerry Beavers, Bill Thrasher, Allie Biggs (*arrived at 10:13*), Mike Mullaugh, Woodrow Hay, Keith James (*arrived at 10:12*), Gail Coniglio, Robert Shalhoub and Matt Willhite **Absent were:** Robert Gottlieb, Angeleta Gray, David Levy and Todd Wodraska

Past Presidents in attendance: Lisa Tropepe, Isaac Robinson, David Stewart, Susan Haynie and Bev Smith (arrived at 10:07).

Also in attendance were Executive Director Richard Radcliffe; League Counsel Trela White, Esq.; Jennifer Ashton, Esq., Corbett, White & Davis, P.A.; Councilwoman Judy Davis and Councilman Terence Davis, Riviera Beach; President Pro Tem Robert Gebbia, North Palm Beach; Harry Raucher and Rosemary Rayman, Lake Worth Drainage District; Palm Beach County Vice Mayor on Ethics Pat Archer; Bevin Beaudet, PBC Director of Utilities, Councilman David Swift, Royal Palm Beach and League staff Je'Riise Hansen and Katherine Willingham.

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

President Maxwell announced the following additions to the agenda:

- 5a. Recommendation to the C-51 Governance & Finance Workgroup, Councilwoman Dawn Pardo has expressed interest in serving as an alternate.
- 6d. Fire Rescue Committee

#### 3. Consent Agenda

- a. Minutes of Board Meeting, September 25, 2013
- b. Financial Reports for September 2013
- c. New Member Application James Kanter

Motion by Bill Manuel and second by Gail Coniglio to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

# 4. Special Presentations

None

#### 5. Miscellaneous Business

## a. Recommendation to the C-51 Governance & Finance Workgroup

Executive Director Richard Radcliffe gave an overview of the progress of filling the seats of the C-51 Governance and Finance Workgroup. He informed the board that Commissioner Milton Block of Jupiter Inlet Colony has expressed his interest as serving as a regular on the workgroup. Mr. Radcliffe stated that Mayor David Stewart, Lantana; Councilmember John Callaghan, Juno Beach; Councilman Matt Willhite, Wellington and Councilwoman Dawn Pardo, Riviera Beach agreed to serve as alternates to the workgroup. He also stated that he reached out to County Commissioner Mary Lou Berger, who will be the county representative on the workgroup.

Motion by Michael Mullaugh and second by Gail Coniglio to approve the recommendation of Commissioner Milton Block, Jupiter Inlet Colony, Mayor David Stewart, Lantana; Councilmember John Callaghan, Juno Beach; Councilman Matt Willhite, Wellington and Councilwoman Dawn Pardo, Riviera Beach to serve as a regular and alternates respectively on the C-51 Governance & Finance workgroup as a regular and alternates. Motion carried unanimously.

#### b. Endorsement of Mayor Sam Ferreri for the NLC Board of Directors

Motion by Keith James and second by Woodrow Hay to approve the endorsement of Mayor Sam Ferreri for the NLC Board of Directors. Motion carried unanimously

# 6. Committee Reports

## a. C- 51 Governance & Finance Workgroup

Royal Palm Beach Councilman David Swift gave an update on the C-51 Governance and Finance Workshop. Mr. Swift discussed the phases of the project, concentrating mostly on phase one. He informed the board that phase one will be about 14,000 acre feet and deliver about 35 million gallons of water to southern Palm Beach and Broward County. Mr. Swift explained that the water will be going from the C-51 reservoir to the C-51 canal, which has a new pump station that will deliver the water to the E-1 canal, owned by the Lake Worth Drainage District, and then move to Broward County and be distributed in their canal systems. He informed the board that Palm Beach County is being represented by Bevin Beaudet, Patrick Martin of LWDD, Councilman David Levy, Councilmember Mike Mullaugh, himself and PBC Commissioner Mary Lou Berger who was sent a letter requesting her participation. Mr. Swift provided a brief background of the workgroup stating it was created by the Broward and Palm Beach County Water Resources Task Force. He stated that the workgroup current objective is the advancing of phase one implementation of the C-51 reservoir project. Mr. Swift explained that the duty of the workgroup is to oversee development and cost share participation. One issue Mr. Swift described as very important is how much phase one will cost; the goal is to know the true cost of not only phase one but the entire project and that qualified engineers have been brought in to conduct a cost evaluation study with the current estimated cost being \$750 million to \$1 billion.

## b. Regional Hazardous Materials Oversight Committee

North Palm Beach Vice Mayor Darryl Aubrey reported on the Regional Hazardous Oversight Committee. Dr. Aubrey informed the board that there are five members of the committee along with staff that help in managing the program. He stated committee meets quarterly and

establishes standards and reviews the effectiveness of the emergency response services. Dr. Aubrey explained that the purpose of the Hazardous Materials Oversight Committee is to protect residents in the event of hazardous material spills and to put into place a countywide regional response system. He informed the board of the committee's duties which include: overseeing funds recovered, monitoring the distribution of funds, and submitting annual reports. He continued by informing the board that there are four response teams in the county and each team has seven members. Dr. Aubrey stated that primary funding of the response team services comes from the normal budgeting process of the municipalities involved and that supplemental funding comes from the Solid Waste Authority, which covers training, standards, supplies, equipment, etc. He described how the response teams respond to emergency spill situations and that the EPA provides a list of contractors to come to the scene of the spill. If the spiller is identified, the company that caused the spill must cover any costs incurred. If the spill exceeds four hours in duration, the spiller is responsible for wages and other costs as well. If the spill occurs in the town or city and the spiller is unknown, the municipality is responsible for the cleanup costs.

#### c. Education Committee

President Maxwell informed the board that the Education Committee met earlier in the month. He reminded everyone that each October is City Government Week. He mentioned that it has been difficult getting a lot of participation from the schools for reasons such as testing schedules. Mr. Maxwell suggested that the Education Committee offer services to schools year round and start reaching out to organizations such as the YMCA and the Boys & Girls Club. He expressed the importance of gaining opportunities for the committee to go reach out to children and young adults about city government. Mr. Maxwell also discussed the Youth Delegation Program and spoke about ways in which a more structured program could be created with a more documented path to determine what should be done with students while in the program. He suggested creating a trivia contest or scavenger hunt and giving the students a list of things they need to find out about different municipalities. He believes that something needs to be put together to get students excited about local government and speaking with elected officials. Mr. Maxwell also brought up the "Move Over" law to the board and pointed out that there is a problem of there not being enough students who understand what the "Move Over" law requires which is moving out of the way or slowing down for emergency vehicles. This needs to be emphasized in schools and the importance of the "Move Over" law needs to be stressed to our students.

## 7. Legal Report

Attorney Trela White reminded the municipalities that their tentative budget must be posted on their website at least two days before the budget hearing.

Mrs. White informed the board that the Amicus brief has been filed in regard to code enforcement cases as well as assessments of attorney fees. Jupiter was appreciative and the documents can be accessed through Richard Radcliffe. Mrs. White informed the board that this will not be a trial, just a record preceding.

Mrs. White reminded the board that the summary judgment hearing on the Inspector General funding lawsuit is set for November 25, 2013 at 9:30 a.m.

Mrs. White reported that the Laws of Florida amended section 106.08 of the Florida Statute, increasing the amount a person or political committee can make a contribution, in any election, for a candidate for municipal office from \$500.00 to \$1,000.00. The law becomes effective November 1, 2013.

Mrs. White updated the board on the Red Light Camera case. The Court has rescheduled the oral argument from October 8, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. to November 7, 2013 at 9:00 a.m..

## 8. Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Richard Radcliffe reported on the Policy Committee meeting, which was held on October 18, 2013 in Orlando, Florida. He informed the board that the issue of sober homes is one of the top two priorities at the meeting and that there are now thirty-five signatures on the support of restrictions letter, which will be sent to the governor. Mr. Radcliffe also stated that the rental housing law is another issue that was discussed.

Mr. Radcliffe reminded the board that the Legislative Delegation Round Table event will be in Atlantis at the Atlantis Country Club from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. He asked that everyone to reach out to their legislators and invite them to participate. A lunch will be held directly after and everyone is welcome to stay at a cost \$25.

Mr. Radcliffe informed the board of the next meeting, which will be November 27, 2013, at Benvenuto Restaurant in Boynton Beach. He explained that RSVP is required for this particular meeting as it is the day before the Thanksgiving holiday.

Mr. Radcliffe stated that the FEMA Flood Map correction must be turned in by November 30, 2013 and help with the corrections is available if needed.

Mr. Radcliffe closed by reminding the board that the Glades Barbecue will be on December 6 at the Pahokee Marina. Anyone who would like to help donate or sponsor is welcome.

#### 9. Member Comments -

None

## 10. Meetings Announcements

- 11. Adjournment The Board adjourned at 11:26 a.m.