

Palm Beach County League of Cities, Inc.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Wednesday, February 22, 2012 at 10:00 a.m.
Tequesta Country Club – Village of Tequesta

MINUTES

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

President Lisa Tropepe called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. Second Vice President Martha Webster called the roll and a quorum was attained.

Board members present were: Lisa Tropepe, Todd Wodraska, Martha Webster, Mo Thornton, Bill Manuel, Jerry Beavers, Bill Thrasher, Steve Wilson, David Harden, David Levy, Mike Mullaugh, Matt Willhite, Woodrow Hay, Calvin Turnquest and Robert Shalhoub. **Absent was:** Scott Maxwell.

Past presidents in attendance: Isaac Robinson, Jr., David Stewart, Susan Haynie and Carmine Priore.

Also in attendance were Executive Director Richard Radcliffe; Mayor Bernard Featherman, Town of Highland Beach; Chuck Stoddard; Jon Levinson; Lenny Berger, Palm Beach County Attorney; Eugene Reavis, Palm Beach County Consumer Affairs Division; Beatrice Coleman, Aide to Sen. Chris Smith; League Counsel Trela White, Esq., Brad Biggs, Esq., and Jennifer Ashton, Esq., Corbett and White; and League staff Kristen Puhalainen and Je'Riise Hansen.

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

Mr. Radcliffe requested the addition of Item 6f, Transportation Committee Report. Also, on Item 3c of the Consent Agenda, Reappointment to the Advisory Boundary Committee, replace Mangonia Park Councilmember Peggy Cook with Pahokee Councilmember Allie Biggs.

Motion and second to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Approval of Consent Agenda

Motion by Mike Mullaugh, second by Martha Webster to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Scheduled Presentations – None

5. Miscellaneous Business

a. County Ordinance – Underage Drinking Signs

Palm Beach County Attorney Lenny Berger explained the proposed Countywide Ordinance requiring signs in establishments selling alcohol, warning against underage drinking.

Motion and second to record 'No Objection' to the proposed ordinance. Motion carried unanimously.

b. New Member Application

President Tropepe reported that the League received an application for Associate membership from Prime Time Palm Beach County. They are sponsored by Isaac Robinson, Jr.

Motion by Isaac Robinson, Jr., second by Matt Willhite to approve the membership application of Prime Time Palm Beach County. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Committee Reports

a. Finance

Committee Chair Mo Thornton explained the proposed General Staffing Office Policies. Board approval is requested. There was discussion.

Motion and second to approve the proposed General Staffing Office Policies.

There was discussion.

Motion carried unanimously.

b. Fundraising

President Tropepe reported that the Executive Committee to discuss the formation of a Fundraising Committee. They recommend that the sitting President act as Chair, and that it be open to anyone. By consensus, the Board approved the proposal.

c. Lake Worth Lagoon Initiative

Steering Committee member Dawn Pardo reported that the group was asked to go to its cities and seek out people interested in the lagoon to participate. The committee needs engineers. She asked if members of the League's Environmental Committee would be interested. Also, the management plan is to be updated. There was discussion.

d. Nominating

President Tropepe announced that the 2012 Nominating Committee members are Boca Raton Deputy Mayor Susan Haynie, Wellington Mayor Pro Tem Carmine Priore, Lantana Mayor David Stewart, and Tequesta Councilmember Calvin Turnquest. They will meet after the March 12th municipal elections.

e. Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council

Council member Martha Webster reported that at the January meeting, Dr. Priore was recognized for his service. Also, they heard a report on the FEC corridor project, and in March they'll be updated on the status of regional consolidation.

f. Transportation

Chair David Harden reported that the committee met to review the proposed revisions to the County's Vehicle For Hire ordinance. The committee noted concerns with respect to definitions, credit cards, and the posting of fares.

Motion by Mo Thornton, second by Martha Webster to forward the committee's concerns to the County's Consumer Affairs Division.

There was discussion.

Motion carried with Bill Thrasher dissenting.

7. Legal Report

League Counsel Trela White reported that there is no decision yet on the oral arguments in the North Palm Beach annexation case.

A case to watch is Palm Bay vs. Wells Fargo, which asks to determine if code enforcement liens are superior to all other liens. It pertains to FS 695.11.

The 2010 state building code is now in effect, and the flood plain ordinance must be adopted.

8. Executive Director's Report

Mr. Radcliffe asked for direction on the annual gala sponsorship and individual ticket prices. There was discussion.

Motion and second for all gala prices to remain unchanged. Motion carried unanimously.

The ITE committee will meet tomorrow.

Lynn University, host of one of the Presidential debates, would like to partner with cities in broadcasting and promoting the event.

The lobbyist registration ordinance goes into effect on April 2nd.

Congressman Ted Deutch is scheduled to speak to the League on April 11th at the Atlantis Country Club at noon. This will be in place of the monthly Districts 2 & 3 lunch; the cost is \$20.

9. District Reports – None

10. Member Comments

David Stewart said that if a city trying to persuade the county commission or other officials on an issue important to that city, elected officials from other cities shouldn't speak against it. What's best for the county should be considered over the interests of individual cities. Dawn Pardo also spoke to this. There was discussion.

Jerry Beavers said that the book Right is Might by Richard Wetherill may interest the membership. Staff will add it the web site's Suggested Reading page.

President Tropepe spoke on behalf of Carmine Priore, as this is his last meeting as a Board member. Dr. Priore addressed the Board.

11. Meetings Announcements

13. Adjournment - The Board adjourned at 11:25 a.m.