

Palm Beach County League of Cities, Inc.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Wednesday, March 30, 2011 at 10:00 a.m.
Wellington Community Center – 12150 Forest Hill Blvd., Wellington

MINUTES

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

President Isaac Robinson Jr. called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.

Secretary Mo Thornton called the roll and a quorum was attained.

Board members present were: Isaac Robinson, Jr., Lisa Tropepe, Mo Thornton, Bill Manuel, Martha Webster, Scott Maxwell, Bill Thrasher, David Harden, David Levy (*arrived 10:30*), Mike Mullaugh, Matt Willhite, and Woodrow Hay. **Absent were:** Todd Wodraska, Steve Wilson, Dawn Pardo, and Calvin Turnquest.

Past presidents in attendance were David Stewart, Susan Haynie, Dr. Carmine Priore and Richard Radcliffe.

Also in attendance were Executive Director Jamie Titcomb; Councilman Jerry Beavers, Haverhill; Councilman Robert Shalhoub, Lake Clarke Shores; Vice Mayor Michael Klingensmith, Cloud Lake; Manager Michael Bornstein, Lantana; Murray Kalish, Rosemary Rayman, and Joe Walsh, Lake Worth Drainage District; Laura Corry, South Florida Water Management District; Robert Hitt and Eugene Reavis, Palm Beach County Consumer Affairs Division; Jon Schmidt, Jon E. Schmidt & Associates, Inc.; League Counsel Trela White and Brad Biggs, Esq., Corbett and White; and League staff Kristen Puhalainen and Je'Riise Hansen.

2. Additions, Deletions, and/or Modifications to the Agenda – None

3. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes

a. Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting, February 23, 2011

Motion by Bill Manuel, second by Matt Willhite to approve the minutes of the Board meeting on February 23, 2011. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Financial Reports

Mr. Titcomb presented the financial report. He said that at the April meeting he will bring to the Board a request for a transfer of funds with respect to his retirement, and for adjustments to the legal budget.

Motion by Woodrow Hay, second by Matt Willhite to accept the monthly financial report. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Scheduled Presentations - None

6. Miscellaneous Business

a. Tow Truck Ordinance Changes

Robert Hitt and Eugene Reavis of the Palm Beach County Public Safety Department's Consumer Affairs Division explained the four proposed changes to the tow truck ordinance, intended to favor consumer protection. Ms. White explained that city ordinances would prevail, and she has no objections to the proposed changes. Mr. Hitt and Mr. Reavis took questions from the Board.

Motion by Mo Thornton, second by Martha Webster to vote 'no objection' to the proposed changes to the county's tow truck ordinance. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Appointment to Citizen's Committee on Airport Noise

President Robinson announced that Cloud Lake Vice Mayor Michael Klingensmith has applied for reappointment. There are no other candidates for the committee.

Motion by Dawn Pardo, second by David Levy to appoint to the Citizen's Committee on Airport Noise. Motion carried unanimously.

c. Appointment to Vehicle for Hire Advisory Committee

President Robinson reported that the County's Public Safety Department's Consumer Affairs Division is reforming this committee. The League has one appointment to the committee. There are no applicants, so this will be forwarded to the April Board meeting.

d. New Member Application

President Robinson announced that the League has received an Associate Membership application from Jon E. Schmidt & Associates, Inc. They are sponsored by Haverhill Administrator Janice Rutan. Mr. Jon Schmidt introduced himself and his company.

Motion by Lisa Tropepe, second by Bill Manuel to approve the associate membership application of Jon E. Schmidt and Associates, Inc. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Committee Reports

a. ITE

Committee Chair Lisa Tropepe reported that the committee has been discussing several issues, including TABOR, the homestead exemption bill, tax receipts, and municipal notices. They created a list of potential General Membership meeting speakers; she asked the Board to authorize League staff to consult the list when programming the meetings.

There was discussion.

Motion by David Harden, second by Mo Thornton to authorize staff to utilize ITE's list when arranging for General Membership meeting speakers. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Nominating

President Robinson announced the proposed 2011 – 2012 slate of officers:

President: Vice Mayor Lisa Tropepe, Palm Beach Shores; **1st Vice President:** Councilor Todd Wodraska, Jupiter; **2nd Vice President:** Councilmember Martha Webster, Royal Palm Beach; **Secretary/Treasurer:** Mo Thornton, Manager, Atlantis; **District 1:** President Pro Tem Bill Manuel, North Palm Beach; **District 2:** Councilmember Jerry Beavers, Haverhill; **District 3:** Commissioner Scott Maxwell, Lake Worth; **District 4:** Bill Thrasher, Manager, Gulf Stream; **District 5:** Commissioner Steve Wilson, Belle Glade; **Large City Representatives:** David Harden, Manager, Delray Beach; Mayor David Levy, Palm Beach Gardens; Council Chair Dawn Pardo, Riviera Beach; Councilmember Mike Mullaugh, Boca Raton; Vice Mayor Matt Willhite, Wellington; Commissioner Woodrow Hay, Boynton Beach; **At Large Representatives:** Councilmember Calvin Turnquest, Tequesta; Councilmember Robert Shalhoub, Town of Lake Clarke Shores.

c. Scholarship

Committee Chair Mo Thornton reported that six student scholarships and one employee scholarship will be presented at the April General Membership meeting. She praised the City of Greenacres' youth program.

8. Legal Report

Ms. White reported that the League's amicus brief in the North Palm Beach annexation case has been filed; no word yet from the court.

The drafting committees for Inspector General and Ethics Ordinances continue to meet. She thanked Bill Thrasher and David Harden for submitting comments. County Attorney Denise Niemen has expressed support for the cities' position on definitions.

She reported that the county now believes that sitting on the IPARC Issues Forum violates sunshine law and will no longer participate.

There was discussion.

9. Executive Director's Report

Mr. Titcomb announced that the League has received a thank you card from scholarship recipient Karlee Lauer.

Because there are several unfilled League seats on the Water Resources Task Force, Ken Todd is proposing to ask the Board of County Commissioners to reduce the number of League members, to reduce quorum requirements. It is not an action item today. There was discussion.

Mr. Titcomb explained his decision to retire, and asked for direction in establishing a process for hiring his replacement. He will also resign from all Boards and Commissions on which he serves as a representative of the League. Ms. White explained several options available to the Board. There was discussion.

Motion by David Harden, second by Mo Thornton that the Board authorize League staff to collect resumes, the Executive Committee, Executive Director and League attorney will review the resumes and provide to the Board a short list of 3 to 5 applicants.

There was discussion.

Motion carried unanimously.

10. District Reports – None

11. Member Comments - None

12. Meetings Announcements

13. Adjournment - The Board adjourned at 11:42 a.m.