

Palm Beach County League of Cities, Inc.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Wednesday, June 26, 2013 at 10:00 a.m.
Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center-Royal Palm Beach

MINUTES

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

President Scott Maxwell called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. Councilmember David Levy was sworn in to office by League Counsel Trela White. Mo Thornton called the roll and a quorum was attained.

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

Past presidents in attendance: Todd Wodraska, Lisa Tropepe, Isaac Robinson, Jr., David Stewart, Susan Haynie, Bev Smith (*arrived at 10:34*) and Ken Schultz.

Also in attendance were Executive Director Richard Radcliffe; League Counsel Trela White, Esq.; Dr. Carmine Priore; Dan Meyer; Chuck Stoddard; Councilman Jonathan Pearce, Greenacres; Palm Beach County Commissioner on Ethics Pat Archer; Vice Mayor Wendy Harrison, Jupiter; Mayor Matthew Surrency, Hawthorne; Laura Corry, South Florida Water Management District; Brad Biggs, Esq. and Jennifer Ashton of Corbett, White & Davis; League staff Je'Riise Hansen.

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

Executive Director Richard Radcliffe informed the board of an addition to the agenda under Miscellaneous Business (5d) D.E.P. Beach Management Agreement which will be presented by Dawn Pardo.

3. Consent Agenda

- a. **Minutes of Board Meeting, April 24, 2013**
- b. **Financial Reports for April and May 2013**
- c. **New Member Application - Richard Pinsky**
- d. **New Member Application - Jackie Griese**
- e. **New Member Application - Marcel Summermatter**

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

4. Special Presentations

None

5. Miscellaneous Business

a. President's Committee Chair Appointments/Priorities

Executive Director Richard Radcliffe informed the board of the League Committees and the

President's Chairs selection. He made mention of the newest committee being added to the list, the IG Budget Delegation.

There was discussion.

Motion by Bill Manuel and second by Angeleta Gray to ratify the Palm Beach County League of Cities' committees. Motion carries unanimously.

b. Nominations to the Florida League of Cities Board of Directors

Executive Director Richard Radcliffe explained that this League can nominate three people to be on the Florida League board, with one nominee being the President as per this League's By-laws. Only Susan Haynie and Lisa Tropepe expressed an interest in being nominated. Both made statements.

There was discussion.

Motion by Robert Shalhoub and seconded by Bill Manuel to approve Scott Maxwell, Susan Haynie and Lisa Tropepe as the Palm Beach County's League nomination to the Florida League of Cities Board of Directors. Motion carried unanimously.

c. Appointment to the Water Resource Task Force

President Maxwell reported that there are two vacant alternate seats on the Water Resource Task Force. He informed the board that Councilman Jonathon Pierce of Greenacres has showed interest in serving on the Task Force and asked Councilmember David Levy of Palm Beach Gardens, who previously served on the Task Force, if he would be interested in serving again. Mr. Levy said he will serve if appointed. Mr. Pearce was given the opportunity to inform the board of his background and his willingness to serve on the committee.

There was discussion.

Motion by Woodrow Hay and second by Bill Manuel to appoint Jonathan Pearce and David Levy as alternates on the Water Resource Task Force. Motion carried unanimously.

d. D.E.P. Beach Management Agreement.

Second Vice President Dawn Pardo reported on the State D.E.P. (Department of Environmental Protection) decision to take a regional approach to beach management permitting. With the process taking years to get a permit, D.E.P decided to do a pilot program from Town of Palm Beach/Lake Worth Inlet south to the Boynton Beach Inlet, whose coastline is badly damaged. D.E.P. then presented a course of action to the regulatory agencies, both local and federal. In August D.E.P. will present the agreement to the Board of County Commissioners. Ms. Pardo asked the League and the municipalities to either do a resolution or write a letter of support to the county supporting the Beach Management Agreement. Ms. Pardo will provide the League with a sample resolution and a copy of the letter of support that the City of Riviera Beach sent to both the BCC and the D.E.P to be distributed to the municipalities as a template. The League resolution will be presented at the July Board of Directors meeting for approval.

5. Committee Reports

a. Environmental Committee/FEMA Task Force

Chair Mike Mullaugh gave report on Environmental Committee's meeting regarding the FEMA Flood Maps. He stated that there were substantial errors on the maps. The committee created a task force, which includes both county and city personnel, to partner with FEMA to correct the maps. Executive Director Richard Radcliffe commented on the group's consensus to bring the issue to the Issues Forum, who will be meeting on August 29th in Lantana. He also mentioned the 30 day window that everyone had to review their maps and suggested that everyone write a letter asking for an extension. Mr. Radcliffe stated he will be sending out a template to the cities that they may use to send to FEMA. Mr. Radcliffe informed the board of his meeting with Ken Todd and Bob Weisman of Palm Beach County. At that meeting Mr. Radcliffe was informed of the County's plan to hire Dick Tomasello, a Seaside Engineer; who helps create the standards and will be working on the coastal part of the maps. He stated that he is trying to get the County to partner with the Task Force to work on FEMA correcting the maps.

b. ITE Committee

Chair Lisa Tropepe reported on the ITE Committee meeting where they received presentations from four organizations sharing ways for the municipalities to save money and be more effective. The first presenter was a record keeping company who spoke about Cloud Computing, which is a way to store and access your data and programs over the Internet versus your hard drive. The second company spoke about outsourcing employees and services and how it can save tax payer's dollars. The third group came up with an app, which can be used by those municipalities who provides utilities to their residents. the users consumption of water. Everything is done virtually, users will be able to view their water consumption and pay their bill on line. The fourth group was Goodwill, who came with information regarding the temporary drop boxes. They informed the group that Palm Beach County BCC recently passed an ordinance prohibiting the boxes being placed on unincorporated PBC. The owners of the box are moving them within municipal limits. The ITE committee is requesting a copy of Palm Beach County's ordinance to use as a possible template if a municipality would like to pass a similar ordinance. Goodwill would prefer that donors of old clothes and shoes bring them to their store location.

c. IG Budget Committee

Chair Bill Thrasher thanked the members of the Delegation, League staff & Legal Counsel Brad Biggs for their assistance and efforts in the review process of the Inspector General budget. Mr. Thrasher stated progress was made but the BCC approved the budget as is.

d. Palm Tran Report

Vice Mayor Wendy Harrison provided an update regarding the Palm Tran Service Board. Mrs. Harrison reported that Palm Tran staff made a recommendation for a fare increase of \$.50. The current fare is \$1.50. The board approved the rate increase to \$2.00, with two exceptions: the connection riders and the door to door service. The board recommended a lower increase for both exceptions. The recommendations were presented to the BCC, who voted to proceed and hold a public hearing in August. Mrs. Harrison stated the reason for the increase is to stop overcrowding and extend service times. Palm Tran's ultimate goal is to get more choice riders.

e. NLC Small Cities Report

President Maxwell reported on his trip to New York for a National League of Cities (NLC) Small Cities Task Force. The group explores common issues small cities face. Two topics that were discussed were Home Rule Issues and most importantly the role of small cities within the League of Cities structure at the national level. The population of a small city is defined by NLC as

population less than 50,000. The President asked everyone in the room to start thinking about expanding their participation to the state level via the Florida League of Cities and the national level (NLC). He would like to see more participation from Palm Beach County on the state and national committees. He expressed that the more people from Palm Beach County that are at the table, the more county issues will be heard and needs may be met by locals sitting on these committees. He informed everyone if they are interested in serving or knows someone who may be good for a committee to see Executive Director Richard Radcliffe.

6. Legal Report

In regards to Referendum/Initiatives On Comprehensive Plan Amendments, Map Amendments and Development Orders (CH. 2013-115, Law of Florida). The state legislator has enacted a law, amending Section 163.3167(8), stating that you cannot have an initiatives or referendum on development order. You cannot have an initiative or referendum on a comprehensive plan unless you previously had something in your charter prior to June 1, 2011 that specifically allowed you a referendum or initiative with regards to a comprehensive plan of more than five parcels of land.

In Regards to the Code Enforcement Liens, the Florida Supreme Court stated that since the State has already decided the priority of liens that an ordinance cannot attempt to supersede the State Law.

7. Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Richard Radcliffe reported on the success of the Gala and thanked everyone for coming. He informed the board that the new League directory is available and to check the website for updates. Mr. Radcliffe informed the board that the League website has a new host which will be saving money. He also provided updates on All Aboard Florida, FEC Railroad Project; Sober House, Provisio entered into budget for study. Mr. Radcliffe reminded everyone to register for the FLC Conference in Orlando and RSVP for the Gold Coast Annual Breakfast.

8. Member Comments -

Members had comments/discussion on All Aboard Florida and Sober House

9 Meetings Announcements

- a. Board of Directors Meeting, Lake Worth Casino Building & Beach Complex... 10am. July 24
- b. General Membership Meeting, Lake Worth Casino Building & Beach Complex....Noon July 24

10 Adjournment - The Board adjourned at 11:12 a.m.