

**Palm Beach County League of Cities  
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING  
Wednesday, July 22, 2015  
Lantana Recreation Center**

**MINUTES**

**1. Call to Order and Flag Salute**

President Dawn Pardo called the meeting to order at 12:08 p.m.. Manager Bill Thrasher gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. Roll Call Cities, Introductions and Welcomes**

Richard Radcliffe called the roll and a quorum was attained.

**Cities represented were:** Atlantis, Belle Glade, Boca Raton, Boynton Beach, Cloud Lake, Delray Beach, Glen Ridge, Gulf Stream, Haverhill, Highland Beach, Hypoluxo, Jupiter, Lake Clarke Shores, Lake Park, Lake Worth, Lantana, North Palm Beach, Ocean Ridge, Palm Beach, Palm Beach Gardens, Palm Beach Shores, Palm Springs, Riviera Beach, South Bay, South Palm Beach, Wellington and West Palm Beach **Absent were:** Briny Breezes, Golf, Greenacres, Juno Beach, Jupiter Inlet Colony, Loxahatchee Groves, Manalapan, Mangonia Park, Pahokee, Royal Palm Beach and Tequesta

Mayor David Stewart welcomed the membership to the Lantana and the Recreation Center.

County Mayor Shelley Vana and County Commissioner Steven Abrams welcomed the membership to Lantana, which is located in both of their districts.

President Pardo introduced new associate member AMR guard representative, Tony Terzo, who was given an opportunity to introduce himself to the membership.

President Pardo recognized the dignitaries in attendance: Senator Jeff Clemens, Representative Mark Pafford and Representative Bobby Powell. She also recognized the newly appointed official from Wellington, Councilman John McGovern.

**3. Additions, Deletions, and Modifications to the Agenda**

None

**4. Consent Agenda**

**a. Approval of Minutes of June 24, 2015 General Membership meeting**

**Motion and second to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.**

**5. President's Report**

President Pardo informed the board of a Sea Level Rise Symposium that the Marshall Foundation will be hosting on August 1<sup>st</sup>. She ended by thanking everyone who participates in the Florida League of Cities conferences and committees.

## 6. Presentations

### a. FLC Awards

Scott Dudley of the Florida League of Cities presented the FLC 2015 Home Rule Hero Award to Mayor Jeri Muoio, West Palm Beach. Mayor Muoio thanked Florida League and Palm Beach County League for all that they do.

Mr. Dudley also presented the FLC Legislative Appreciation Award to Representative Mark Pafford, Senator Jeff Clemens and Representative Bobby Powell for their hard work and dedication to the municipalities. Each representative was given the opportunity to address the membership regarding the award presented.

### b. Connecting Your Community thru 211

President Pardo introduced 211 Community Relations Public Information Specialist Patrice Schroeder, who was the speaker for the day. First, President Pardo recognized some of the League associate members who work with 211: Bill Johnson, Emergency Management of PBC; Lisa Taylor Williams, CEO of Children's Services Council; Jeff Kadel, Executive Director of PBC Substance Abuse Coalition; and Rita Thrasher, Director of Boca Raton's Promise for mental health issues.

Ms. Patrice Schroeder informed the membership that 211 is a national initiative and also a local initiative. She stated that they receive an average of 300-350 phone calls every day and received 15,600 calls in the month of June. Ms. Schroeder explained that the number one reason for the call is financial assistance with mental health calls ranking number two, out of which 7 a day is suicide related. She stated that mental health is just as important as physical health. Ms. Schroeder informed the membership that she is seeking to re-connect with the municipalities to get the word out about the services 211 provides. She stated some of the initiatives/programs that 211 has are the Sunshine Program, where they call seniors daily to check in on them; Veterans Program, getting veterans in touch with the VA Hospital and involved in their community; and the Youth Yellow Book, a book for children that includes a suicide prevention piece. She went on to say that the book is now a part of the Human Growth & Development course required.

## 7. Miscellaneous Business

### a. Ratification of Appointment to the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council

President Pardo informed the membership that the board approved the appointment of West Palm Beach Commissioner Paula Ryan to fill the vacant alternate seat on the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council and that ratification was needed by the general membership.

**Motion and second to ratify the board's appointment of Commissioner Paula Ryan to the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council. Motion carried unanimously.**

### c. Ratification of the PBC Housing and Places of Public Accommodation Ordinance

President Pardo informed the membership that the board voted "no objection" to the proposed changes of the PBC Housing and Places of Public Accommodation Ordinance and that ratification was needed by the general membership.

**Motion and second to ratify the board's "no objection" vote to the proposed changes of the PBC Housing and Places of Public Accommodation Ordinance. Motion carried**

**unanimously.**

**8. Legal Report**

Attorney Jennifer Ashton reported on a advisory opinion of the Palm Beach County Commission on Ethics regarding voting conflicts, reminding the membership that if you have a voting conflict that you are not only allowed to vote but also you cannot participate in any discussion regarding the issue.

Ms. Ashton updated the membership on the Town of Gulf Stream’s lawsuit against Martin E. O’Boyle alleging he violated the RICO Act. The court dismissed the case citing the Defendants act did not violate RICO. The court stated that the abuse of the public records law can be addressed through a change in Florida Legislature.

Ms. Ashton updated the membership on the IG Funding Lawsuit stating that “the Florida League of Cities has considered the merits of the municipalities and has decided to petition the appellate court for amicus brief status.” She stated that FLC didn’t think it was right that the judge stated the citizens would be allowed to enter into an agreement/contract with the Inspector General.

**9. Executive Director’s Report**

Executive Director Richard Radcliffe thanked the Town for a wonderful lunch.

Mr. Radcliffe reminded the membership about the FLC Annual Conference in Orlando and the Gold Coast Breakfast which coincides with the Conference.

Mr. Radcliffe reported that Uber passed its first reading with Palm Beach County. He stated that they are still discussing the level of background check that should be required.

Mr. Radcliffe informed the membership that due to the recent problems with at home caregivers, that it is being proposed that they be licensed.

Mr. Radcliffe informed the membership that in the process to regulate Sober Homes, an administrative change to the joint agreement between HUD and the Department of Justice will be looked at.

**10. Member Comments**

None

**11. Meetings Announcements**

- a. Gold Coast Breakfast, FLC Annual Conference, Orlando, FL .....8:00am, Aug. 15<sup>th</sup>
- b. Board of Directors Meeting, Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center.....10 a.m., Aug. 26<sup>th</sup>
- c. General Membership Meeting, Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center.....Noon, Aug. 26<sup>th</sup>

**12. Adjournment** – The meeting was adjourned at 1:09 p.m..