

Palm Beach County League of Cities, Inc.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Wednesday, August 24, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.
Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center

MINUTES

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

President Robert Shalhoub called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Secretary Mo Thornton called the roll and a quorum was attained.

Board members present were: Robert Shalhoub, Keith James, Mo Thornton, Robert Gebbia, Patti Waller, Bill Thrasher, Leondrae Camel (*arrived at 10:31*), Joe Casello, Andy Amoroso, Peter Noble, Jeff Hmara, Anne Gerwig, Ilan Kaufer (*arrived at 10:05*), Kimberly Glas-Castro, **Absent:** Gail Coniglio Robert Gottlieb Mike Mullaugh Dawn Pardo

Past Presidents in attendance were: Scott Maxwell, Todd Wodraska (*arrived at 10:11*), Lisa Tropepe, David Stewart, Susan Haynie, and Ken Schultz

Also in attendance were: Harry Raucher and Rosemary Rayman, Lake Worth Drainage District; Shannon Fox, PBC Attorney; Lori LaVerriere, Boynton Beach; Denise Coffman, PBC Attorney; Eugene Reavis, PBC Consumer Affairs; Stephanie Sejnoha; PBC Public Safety; Dianne Suave, PBC Animal Care and Control; Al Johnson, State Attorney Office; Woodrow Hay, Boynton Beach Chamber of Commerce, Chuck Stoddard; League Counsel Jennifer Ashton and Mitty Barnard, Corbett White Davis & Ashton, P.A.; and League Staff Richard Radcliffe, JeRiise Hansen and Clarelle Prosper.

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

3. Consent Agenda

- a. **Minutes of Board Meeting, July 27, 2016**
- b. **Financial Reports July 2016**
- c. **Appointment to the League Finance Committee – Manager Debbie Manzo, Lantana**
- d. **Appointment to the League Environmental Committee – Sustainability Manager Penni Redford, West Palm Beach Deputy Manager Tammy Jackson-Moore, Pahokee**

Motion by Keith James and second by Mo Thornton to approve the consent agenda. Motion carries unanimously.

4. Special Presentations

- a. Sober Homes Task Force Update – Chief Assistant State Attorney Al Johnson

Chief Assistant Al Johnson started his presentation with “sobering statistic”, stating that from January 1 of 2016 thru July 31; Delray Beach alone had 300 overdoses; Delray Beach had 189 with 15 fatalities. He explained that getting the numbers for Palm Beach County is difficult because they have to request the information for the individual fire rescue agencies. However, he stated that the approximate number is over 1500 overdoses due to opioid, heroin ect..

Mr. Johnson reminded the board that the task force is to make a recommendation by January and provided a breakdown of taskforce makeup. He explained that the goal is to have meaningful legislation that the municipalities and the League can support. Mr. Johnson is hoping that the recovery residences will be licensed by the Department of Health and not the Department of Children and Families and to be certified thru Florida Association of Recover Residences with the end resulting in a decrease of 60-80% of the business going away.

5. Miscellaneous Business

- a. **PBC Animal Care and Control Ordinance Amendments**

Director Dianne Suave of Animal Care and Control provided the board with the suggested amendments that are being proposed to the Animal Care and Control ordinance some of which include housekeeping modifications for the ordinance to be in compliance and mimic the Florida Statute.

Motion by Anne Gerwig second by Mo Thornton to support the amendments to the Animal Care and Control Ordinance with the suggested addition suggesting modifications to encourage the financing of additional staff members. Motion passes unanimously.

- b. **PBC Vehicle for Hire Ordinance Amendments**

Director of Public Safety Stephanie Sejnoha informed the board of the amendments being proposed in regards to the ordinance reciprocity language for the vehicle for hire companies' license in Palm Beach County.

Motion by Keith James second by Joe Casello to support the amendments made to the Vehicle for Hire Ordinance. Motion carries unanimously.

- c. **Lake Worth Lagoon Initiative Grant Selection Committee**

President Shalhoub informed the board that the Lake Worth Lagoon Initiative Grant Program is creating a committee review applications for project proposals. He explained that Councilwoman Pardo has expressed interest on serving on the committee and that she is currently the League representative on the Lake Worth Lagoon Initiative board.

Motion by Mo Thornton second by Robert Gebbia to appoint Councilwoman Dawn Pardo to the Lake Worth Lagoon Initiative Grant Selection Committee. Motion carries unanimously.

6. Committee Report

None

7. Legal Report

League Counsel Jennifer Ashton updated the board of the red light camera case informing them that the Florida Attorney General appealed the county court's decision to dismiss the traffic citation citing that it is the police officer and not the vendor that makes the actual decision if a violation was made.

Ms. Ashton informed the board of a case where the City of Tampa passed an ordinance banning solicitations in the downtown area and Ybor City but it was declared unconstitutional since they did not have a compelling government interest to enforce it.

Ms. Ashton informed the board of a negligence case with the City of Miami, where a pedestrian sued the city because she tripped on a raised brick paver on the sidewalk. The DCA sided with the city stating that Navarro had not proven that the city had actual or constructive knowledge of the defect.

8. Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Richard Radcliffe started by congratulating Mayor Susan Haynie on becoming the Florida League of Cities President. Mr. Radcliffe informed the board of the success of the annual FLC Conference stating that they had approximately 700 attendees of which 100 were from Palm Beach County and that the Gold Coast Breakfast was a success with 100 attendees 50 of which were from Palm Beach County. He stated that this year this League hosted the breakfast. Mr. Radcliffe reminded the board of the ethics training class the League will be hosting on September 7th at the Palm Beach State College Lake Worth Campus which will cover the mandatory ethics training requirements. He reminded the board of the Mayor's Literacy lunch that will be taken place on September 22nd. Mr. Radcliffe updated the board on the educational component of the sales tax referendum stating that the website onecountyonepenny.com will be the main source of information and that only the municipalities that have the total project cost in line with the projected revenue amount will be listed. Mr. Radcliffe provided a brief report on the Environmental Committee meeting stating that some of the topics discussed were septic tank funding and the Army Core of Engineers finishing repairing the dike. Mr. Radcliffe concluded by providing the contact information to a Palm Beach County library professional researcher who may be a great resource for the municipalities free of charge.

9. Member Comments

Mayor Susan Haynie thanked everyone who attended the Florida League of Cities annual conference to support her and reminded the board that there is still time to sign up for a policy committee.

Vice Mayor Lisa Tropepe informed the board that the ITE Committee will be meeting tomorrow if anyone wishes to join.

President Shalhoub informed the board that he received a response from FDOT regarding the State Road 80 Action Plan letter. He stated that Steven Braun, the District Planning and Environmental Engineer, acknowledge receipt of the letter indicating that the department will develop solutions for the corridor in collaborations with the stakeholders in a manner that accommodates multiple mode of transportation, serves the need for regional mobility and is not a barrier to bordering communities.

10. Meeting Announcements: (Mark your calendar)

- a. Board of Directors Meeting, Gaines Park Community Center, West Palm Beach
..... 10 a.m., September 28th
- b. General Membership Meeting, Gaines Park Community Center, West Palm Beach
..... Noon, September 28th
(RSVP Required)

11. Adjournment - The Board adjourned at 11:22 a.m.