

**Palm Beach County League of Cities
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
Wednesday, February 23, 2011, 12:00 p.m.
Newcomb Hall, Marina Complex – City of Riviera Beach**

MINUTES

1. Call to Order, Invocation, Flag Salute, and Welcome

President Isaac Robinson Jr. called the meeting to order at 12:08 p.m. David Harden gave the invocation and led the pledge of allegiance.

Council Chair Dawn Pardo welcomed everyone to Riviera Beach and introduced Council Chair Pro Tem Judy Davis, Councilmember Shelby Lowe, City Manager Ruth Jones, Interim Fire Chief Peter LeDuc, City Attorney Pamela Ryan, and Chief of Staff Rose Anne Brown.

2. Roll Call Cities, VIP and New Member Introductions

Secretary Mo Thornton 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, Juno Beach, Jupiter, Lake Park, Lake Worth, Lantana, Loxahatchee Groves, Manalapan, Mangonia Park, North Palm Beach, Ocean Ridge, Pahokee, Palm Beach Gardens, Palm Beach Shores, Palm Springs, Riviera Beach, Royal Palm Beach, South Palm Beach, Tequesta, Wellington and West Palm Beach. **Absent were:** Briny Breezes, Golf, Greenacres, Jupiter Inlet Colony, Lake Clarke Shores, Palm Beach, and South Bay.

Mr. Titcomb introduced Beatrice Coleman, aide to Sen. Chris Smith; Sheri Healey, aide to Rep. Pat Rooney; Eli Brill, aide to Rep. Joseph Abruzzo; Melissa Williams and Erin Lewandowski, aides to Rep. Mark Pafford; Beth Hartnet Murphy, aide to Rep. Jeff Clemens; Anna Yeskey, IPARC; Kris Garrison, School District; Laura Corry, SFWMD; and Alan Johnson, Ethics Commission.

In turn he asked the League's past presidents, Board of Directors, local elected officials and associate members to stand for recognition.

He announced new members Melissa Nash Andrews and Public Risk Underwriters. Kurt Heyward of Public Risk Underwriters and Ms. Nash introduced themselves to the membership.

Mr. Titcomb introduced Sarasota Council Vice President Dr. P.C. Wu, candidate for Florida League of Cities Second Vice President. Dr. Wu addressed the membership.

3. Additions, Deletions, and Modifications to the Agenda – None

Motion and second to accept the agenda as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Approval of Minutes – General Membership, January 26, 2011

Motion and second to approve the minutes of the General Membership meeting of January 26, 2011. Motion carried unanimously.

5. President's Report

President Robinson announced that the members of the 2011 nominating committee are Lantana Mayor David Stewart, Hypoluxo Mayor Dr. Ken Schultz, and Wellington Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Carmine Priore.

President Robinson moved Item 7 to follow Item 5.

7. Miscellaneous Business, and Board Updates & Action

a. Ratification of Appointment to the Academic Advisory Committee

President Robinson reported that the School District is creating this committee to give feedback on the programs and resources provided for students. At this morning's meeting, the Board of Directors appointed Mangonia Park Vice Mayor Peggy Cook to the committee. Ratification is required by the membership.

Motion and second to ratify the appointment of Peggy Cook to the Academic Advisory Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Presentations

a. Riviera Beach Marina Plan

City Manager Ruth Jones and Council Chair Dawn Pardo gave a presentation on the city's marina district plans.

b. 2011 Legislative Session

Mr. Titcomb announced that Palm Beach County Day is March 9 and the Florida League of Cities' Legislative Action Days are March 21 and 22. The next Gold Coast meeting will be in Tallahassee in conjunction with Legislative Action Days. He encouraged everyone to read the updates of Rebecca O'Hara of the Florida League of Cities.

8. Legal Report

Mr. Biggs announced that the League has been granted leave to file a petition to file an amicus brief on behalf of the Village of North Palm Beach in their annexation case, as directed by the Board.

He said that Trela White asks for support from the municipalities at the Inspector General and Ethics Ordinances drafting committees. Ms. Thornton gave an update on the funding committee. There was discussion.

9. Executive Director's Report

The March meetings have been moved to the 5th Wednesday, March 30, to avoid conflicting with Legislative Action Days in Tallahassee.

The National League of Cities Congress of Cities takes place March 13 – 17 in Washington, D.C.

Youth delegate Carl Amritt has been chosen to sit on the National League of Cities' committee on Youth, Education and Families.

The annual installation GALA is scheduled for May 27 at the Airport Hilton.

The county is offering to cities with low frequency radio systems the opportunity to tie in to the Emergency Operations Center.

10. Member Comments

North Palm Beach Mayor Bill Manuel introduced Kings Academy Students Maya Pierre and Scott Austin, who are shadowing him.

Laura Corry introduced Pam Mac'Kie, the SFWMD's Palm Beach County Service Center Director. She encouraged everyone to conserve water.

Mark Brown of Identity Theft Solutions said there is new federal legislation to protect against identity theft.

Jon Levinson thanked Boca Raton, Highland Beach and Boynton Beach for their support and assistance during the services for Delray Beach officer Adam Rosenthal. He said he wished the City of Delray Beach would have defied federal law and lowered the city's U.S. flags for a week.

Houston Tate (Palm Beach County) announced a citizens workshop, which will teach residents how to engage with government.

11. Upcoming Meetings - *Announced*

12. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 1:11 p.m.