

**Palm Beach County League of Cities
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
Wednesday, June 26, 2019
Cultural Center
Royal Palm Beach**

MINUTES

1. Call to Order, Invocation and Flag Salute

President Jeff Hmara called the meeting to order at 12:00pm.

Mayor Pro Tem Patti Waller from the Village of Palm Springs gave the invocation.

President Hmara led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance flag salute.

2. Roll Call Cities, Introductions and Welcomes

Secretary/Treasurer Debbie Manzo called the roll and a quorum was attained.

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

Absent were: Golf, Gulf Stream, Juno Beach, Manalapan, Mangonia Park, North Palm Beach, Tequesta

a. Introduce Hosts for welcome:

Mayor of Royal Palm Beach Fred Pinto welcomed the general membership to the Village of Royal Palm Beach and introduced the council members of the Village to membership. He highlighted the new renovations at the Cultural Center and announced that this year is the Village of Royal Palm Beach's 60th anniversary. He went onto play a short 3 minute video highlighting the Village of Royal Palm Beach.

b. President Jeff Hmara recognized the Legislative Offices in attendance:

Senator Bobby Powell, Jr.
Office of Congresswoman Lois Frankel
Office of Senator Lori Berman
Office of Representative Tina Polsky
Office of Representative David Silvers
Office of Representative Matt Willhite
Vice Chair, Chuck Shaw, School District PBC

c. President Jeff Hmara recognized the Palm Beach County Commissioners in Attendance:

Commissioner Robert S. Weinroth

Commissioner Gregg Weiss
Commissioner Melissa McKinlay

- d. Introduce Past Presidents:
President Jeff Hmara recognized the Past Presidents in attendance:
Mayor Anne Gerwig, Wellington
Former Council Chair Dawn Pardo, Riviera Beach
Mayor Steven B. Wilson, Belle Glade
Former Commissioner Isaac Robinson, West Palm Beach
Mayor David Stewart, Lantana
Former Councilman Dr. Carmine Priore, Wellington
Former Vice Mayor Retha Lowe, Lake Worth (Beach)
Former Commissioner Lomax Harrelle, South Bay
Former Councilman Richard Radcliffe, Greenacres

3. Additions, Deletions and Modifications to the Agenda

Addition:
Consent Agenda

4c.: Ratification of the Appointment of Council Member Monica Mayotte of the City of Boca Raton to the PBC Water Resource Task Force Alternate Seat

Motion and second to approve the modification to the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Consent Agenda.....Action

- a. Approval of the General Membership Meeting April 24, 2019 Minutes.....
- b. Ratification of the Approval of the Recommendation of Council Member Laura Danowski of Town of Loxahatchee Groves to the PBC Impact Fee Review Alternate Seat.....
- c. Ratification of the Appointment of Council Member Monica Mayotte of the City of Boca Raton to the PBC Water Resource Task Force Alternate Seat.....

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

5. Miscellaneous Business

- a. Ratification of the PBC Needle Exchange Program Ordinance.....Action

Motion and second to no objection of the ratification of the Palm Beach County Needle Exchange Program. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Legal Report

League Attorney Keith Davis, Esq.

League Attorney Keith Davis presented the Shamrock-Shamrock, Inc. v. Remark regarding municipal planning and zoning board, evidence preservation. Shamrock owned property in Daytona Beach and wanted to rezone and develop their property into a hotel and marina. The City of Daytona Beach considered and denied Shamrock’s rezoning request. Shamrock appealed but the Daytona Beach Planning Board upheld the decision. Remark was a part of the Planning Board at the time. During

Shamrock's litigation against the city, they deposed Remark. Remark testified during her deposition that she obtained a new computer and had destroyed her old computer in 2011. She did not preserve any records, documents, or emails from her old computer and did not inform anybody, that she was destroying it. Remark and Shamrock filed competing motions for summary judgment regarding whether Remark had a duty to preserve her computer or its contents. The trial court denied Shamrock's summary judgement motion and granted Remark's. The trial court held that Remark had no legal duty to preserve her old computer or its contents on the date she destroyed it. In conclusion, League Attorney Keith Davis segued into the A.D.A compliance issues that the municipalities are facing via their websites.

7. Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Richard Radcliffe

Executive Director Richard Radcliffe thanks the Village of Royal Palm Beach for hosting the board and general membership meeting. He goes onto to highlight upcoming event dates such as the next FLC Policy Committee meeting in July. Next, he recognized the Florida League of Cities Policy Committee members in attendance. Then, he mentions the FLC Conference on August 15th-17th at the Orlando World Center Marriott, Orlando FL. Finally, he mentions the FLC Social Media training on October 24th in Greenacres and the mandatory Ethics Training on October 30th in Lantana.

8. President's Report

President Jeff Hmara

None

9. Presentation

a. FLC Home Rule Awards

Amber Hughes, Senior Legislative Advocate

The award recipients were:

Andy Amoroso, Lake Worth Beach

Daniel Clarke, Lake Clarke Shores

Linda Davidson, Boca Raton

Anne Gerwig, Wellington

Kimberly Glas-Castro, Lake Park

Richard Reade, Palm Springs

Steve Wilson, Belle Glade

Bobby Powell, Jr., - Legislative Appreciation Award

b. Hurricane Readiness Update

Bill Johnson, Executive Director of PBC Emergency Management

Bill Johnson mentioned that during the hurricane season the municipalities would have a bi-monthly meeting discussing topics such as terrorism, storm preparation, and best practices to share with the municipalities. He encouraged the municipalities to coordinate and collaborate with their Emergency Management representatives. Mr. Johnson encouraged the municipalities to make sure they are disaster-ready prior to a storm instead of waiting until one arrives. A major issue he noticed during Hurricane Irma & Michael was the amount of requests for generators. Items recommended to have contracted prior to the storm but not limited to for the municipalities were generators, porta potties, tires, transport vehicles, radios, fuel, tents, chainsaws, barricades, etc. In addition, the municipalities and residents should have a second form of communication other than

cellphones during a hurricane. Once the cellphone towers are down due to a storm then the cellphones are useless. Satellite radios may be helpful but the more people using the connection the signal will start to weaken. In conclusion, he directed general membership to our website for further information and for a copy of his presentation.

10. Member Comments

None

11. Meeting Announcements

- a. Board of Directors Meeting, American Finnish Club, Palm Springs 10:00 a.m., July 24th
- b. General Membership Meeting, American Finnish Club, Palm Springs.....Noon, July 24th

(RSVP REQUIRED for all events)

12. Adjournment- The meeting was adjourned at 1:06 pm.

