

**Palm Beach County League of Cities
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
Wednesday, July 24, 2019
American Finnish Club
Palm Springs**

MINUTES

1. Call to Order, Invocation and Flag Salute

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

A moment of silence given for the late Melissa Teal, MMC, and Village Clerk for the Village of North Palm Beach.

Chaplain David Miller 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, Boca Raton, Boynton Beach, Briny Breezes, Cloud Lake, Delray Beach, Glen Ridge, Greenacres, Gulfstream, Haverhill, Hypoluxo, Jupiter Inlet Colony, 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, Tequesta, Wellington, West Palm Beach

Absent were: Belle Glade, Golf, Highland Beach, Juno Beach, Jupiter, Lake Clarke Shores, Manalapan, Mangonia Park, North Palm Beach, Westlake

a. Introduce Hosts for welcome:

Mayor of Palm Springs Bev Smith welcomed the general membership to the Village of Palm Springs and introduced the council members of the Village to membership. In addition, she thanked the sponsors for the general luncheon and thanked the food vendors for providing their services as well as the Village of Palm Springs' staff. She introduced the President of the American Finnish Club, Suvi K. Manner who is also the Library Clerk for the Village of Palm Springs.

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

Senator Bobby Powell, Jr.
Office of Congresswoman Lois Frankel
Office of Representative Tina Polsky
Office of Representative David Silvers
Office of Representative Matt Willhite

- c. President Jeff Hmara recognized the Palm Beach County Commissioners in Attendance:
Mayor Mack Bernard
Commissioner Robert Weinroth
Commissioner Gregg Weiss
- d. President Jeff Hmara recognized the Palm Beach County School District in Attendance:
Vice Chair Chuck Shaw
- e. New Associate Member Infraside Solutions elevator speech
Mr. Vitaliy Pereverzev
Ms. Marcela Torres
Mr. Vitaliy Pereverzev introduced himself and colleague and provided membership with an elevator speech describing the services his organization offers.
- f. New Associate Member Southeast Florida Recovery Advocates, Inc. (SEFRA) elevator speech
Ms. Maureen Kielian
Ms. Maureen Kielian introduced himself and colleague and provided membership with an elevator speech describing the services her organization offers.

3. Additions, Deletions and Modifications to the Agenda

None

4. Consent Agenda.....Action

- a. Approval of the General Membership Meeting June 26, 2019 Minutes

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

5. Miscellaneous Business

None

6. Legal Report

League Attorney Keith Davis, Esq.

League Attorney Keith Davis provided membership with two cases pertaining to sovereign immunity & annexation. The two cases referred were the City of Pembroke Pines v. Corrections Corporation of America and Matlacha Civic Association v. City of Cape Coral.

7. Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Richard Radcliffe

Executive Director Richard Radcliffe provided membership with upcoming events and dates. On August 17th in conjunction with the FLC Annual Conference the Gold Coast Breakfast will be in Orlando at 7:30a.m. Next month the League's general membership meeting will be in Boca Raton at the Spanish River Library on August 28th. Next, is the Social Media Training in Greenacres at their City Hall from 9:00a.m. - 3:00p.m. Parking is free and lunch will be provided between 12:00p.m. – 1:00p.m. Then, the mandatory State Ethics Training on October 30th at the Lantana Recreation Center from 8:00am- 12:00p.m. Finally, the Legislative Delegation Workshop will be on December 3rd at Palm Beach State College at the Loxahatchee campus.

8. President's Report

President Jeff Hmara

President Jeff Hmara provided the membership detailed information & named the keynote speakers for the FLC Annual Conference occurring August 15th - 17th.

9. Presentation

a. Redevelopment of Downtown West Palm Beach

*Richard Greene, Assistant City Administrator
City of West Palm Beach*

Mr. Richard Greene provided membership with a presentation on the upcoming redevelopment plans for downtown West Palm Beach. Mr. Greene took the general membership down memory lane through visual slides of the history of the City's Downtown redevelopment effort. He starts with the earlier years of West Palm Beach from the late 1800s, 1930s, and onto the suburbanization era in the 1980s. During the 1980s, the Community Redevelopment Area was established to guide the City in its redevelopment efforts. Next, Mr. Greene highlights the adoption of the Duany Plater-Zyberk Downtown Master Plan in 1995; this plan gave the framework of the downtown West Palm Beach we are familiar with today. The presentation continues with the Downtown Residential Boom of 2002-2009 and the residential high rises built to accommodate this boom. Then, Mr. Greene mentions the large mix-use developments such as Rosemary Square (formerly known as City Place), hotel developments, the convention center expansion, projects in the pipeline, and approved upcoming projects. In addition, he mentions the West Palm Beach property values, planning revenue, transportation, mobility studies, roadway/street improvements, commute times to work, as well as municipal roles. In summary, Mr. Greene presents the general membership with the development schedule, outreach meetings, and city-wide projects.

10. Member Comments

Patrice Schroeder with 211 HelpLine announces to the general membership their Back to School events and activities.

11. Meeting Announcements

- a. Gold Coast Breakfast (for those attending the FLC Annual Conference) Orlando 7:30 a.m., August 17th
- b. Board of Directors Meeting, Spanish River Library, Boca Raton 10:00 a.m., August 28th
- c. General Membership Meeting, Spanish River Library, Boca Raton Noon, August 28th

(RSVP REQUIRED for all events)

12. Adjournment- The meeting was adjourned at 1:14 pm.