

Palm Beach County League of Cities, Inc.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Wednesday, September 25, at 10:00 am
Lake Worth Beach Casino & Ballroom
Lake Worth Beach

MINUTES

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

President Jeff Hmara called the meeting to order at 10:00am. Debbie Manzo called the roll and a quorum was attained.

Board Members present were: Jeff Hmara, Kimberly Glas-Castro, Andy Amoroso, Debbie Manzo, Patti Waller, Michael Brown, Shirley Johnson, Leondrae Camel, Monica Mayotte (arrived 10:02), Maria Marino, Peter Noble, Lawrence Gordon, Ilan Kaufer (*arrived 10:02*), Gail Coniglio (*arrived 10:04*), Steven B. Grant (*arrived 10:13*)

Absent were: Christina Lambert, Robert Gottlieb

Past Presidents in attendance were: Anne Gerwig, David Stewart, Steve B. Wilson, Bev Smith

Absent were: Keith A. James, Robert M.W. Shalhoub, Scott Maxwell, Todd Wodraska, Tom Lynch

Also in attendance were: Harry Raucher, Rosemary Rayman, Lake Worth Drainage District; Charity Lewis, Congresswoman Lois Frankel’s Office; Constance Scott, FAU; Andrea McCue and Kara Ferris, City of Greenacres; Mayor Dr. Daniel J. Comerford, III, Town of Jupiter Inlet Colony; Ed Chase, Director Intergovernmental Affairs of PBC; Stephanie Sejnoha, PBC Public Safety Director; Carol Messam-Gordon, PBC Program Coordinator; Archie Satchell, PBC Chief Information Officer; Richard Radcliffe, Je’Riise Hansen, Aziza Isles, PBC League of Cities; League Attorney, Keith Davis.

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

None

3. President’s Welcome

President Hmara welcomed everyone to the Lake Worth Beach Casino & Ballroom in Lake Worth Beach then goes onto provide board with a recap of the Florida League of Cities meeting that took place that week. He notified board about the Florida League of Cities rebranding and updating their logo & slogan.

4. Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of the Board of Directors Meeting August 28, 2019 Minutes
- b. Approval of the August 2019 Financials
- c. Approval of Associate Member Application Clerk & Comptroller Palm Beach County
Sponsored by Councilman Jeff Hmara, Village of Royal Palm Beach

- d. Approval of Associate Member ApplicationUnited Hands for Global Impact, Inc.
Sponsored by Mayor Steven Grant, City of Boynton Beach
- e. Approval of the Town of Mangonia Park to use the Palm Beach County League of Cities
Infrastructure Surtax Oversight Committee

Motion and second to approve the consent agenda. Motion passes unanimously.

5. Miscellaneous Business

None

6. Special Presentation

- a. PBC Public Safety Human Trafficking Training.....Information
Stephanie Sejnoha, PBC Public Safety Director

Stephanie Sejnoha introduced herself as well as Carol Messam-Gordon, the main contact for the Palm Beach County Victim Services & Certified Rape Crisis Center. Next, she went onto define human trafficking to board, highlighted human trafficking statistics, and the prevention efforts put forth by Palm Beach County. Ms. Sejnoha mentioned that the PBC Public Safety department has created a 27-minute human trafficking mandatory training video for all PBC employees. In conclusion, Ms. Sejnoha asked if the PBC League of Cities would make the training video available on their website, which the League’s executive director Richard, stated it already was.

- b. Telephone Denial of Service..... Information
*Archie Satchell, Chief Information Officer
PBC Information Systems Services*

Archie Satchell introduced himself and provided board with an overview of cyber-security & cyber-attacks via the telephone system. An example of the most recent attacks plaguing the county are on the conference bridges for county phone lines. For example, the public safety lines such as fire rescue, police, etc. Hackers would hack into the phone system and prevent calls from coming through. Therefore, if you called fire rescue you may receive a busy dial tone, which in turn would create a nightmare for the citizens and county representatives. Currently the FBI is taking the lead on these attacks; more than 20 states affected. In conclusion, Mr. Satchell mentioned that the origins of these calls are coming from outside of the U.S.A.

7. Committee Reports

- a. PBC Citizens Advisory Committee on Health and Human Services
(CAC/HHS).....Information
Mayor Anne Gerwig, Village of Wellington

Mayor Anne Gerwig’s report focused on the indicator report, which highlights via green or red light where we are as a county for each issue. Next, the Financial Assisted Agencies 2017 pamphlet referenced as a resource that reflects where the entire county’s money went. Mayor Gerwig mentioned that the county also does not create a new organization to handle an issue; they simply find a group that does it already and fund them. Finally, she speaks about the ALICE (Asset Limited, Income Constrained, and Employed) report produced by United Way assists in better understanding the challenges & policies faced by residents who are living paycheck to paycheck.

b. PBC Homeless CoalitionInformation

Mayor Anne Gerwig, Village of Wellington

Mayor Anne Gerwig informed the board about the Senator Philip D. Lewis Center in Palm Beach County is one of the few or only centers with a homeless intake via referral of an agency. She goes onto mention the difficulties some may have regarding placement without a referral agency.

c. Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council

Councilmember Maria Marino, City of Palm Beach Gardens

Councilmember Maria Marino provided board background information on the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council. She stated that there are 11 planning councils in the state of Florida and it consists of elected & former elected officials and complete local & regional planning. One of the primary topics discussed was Lake Okeechobee.

8. Legal Report

League Attorney Keith Davis, Esq.

League Attorney Keith Davis provided the board with one case & two attorney general opinions. The first case referred was Liebman v. City of Miami, pertaining to the bidding process. Next, was the attorney general’s opinion regarding vacation rentals, municipalities, and grandfather provision. Then, the other opinion was regarding public records & cybersecurity testing.

9. Executive Director Report

Executive Director, Richard Radcliffe

Executive Director Richard Radcliffe reminded board that the PBC Public Safety Human Trafficking Training video is available on the PBC League’s website. Next, he mentioned to membership the upcoming events: October 24th – Social Media Training in Greenacres, October 30th Ethics Training in Lantana, November 20-23rd NLC City Summit in San Antonio Texas, December 3rd the PBC Legislative Delegation workshop, December 6th PBC League Holiday Networking Event (BBQ), and January 14-15th PBC Day in Tallahassee.

10. Member Comments

None

11. Meeting Announcements: (Mark your Calendar)

a. Board of Directors Meeting, Jupiter Community Center, Jupiter 10:00 a.m., October 23rd

b. General Membership Meeting, Jupiter Community Center, Jupiter Noon, October 23rd

12. Adjournment-

The Board adjourned at 11:04 a.m.