

**Palm Beach County League of Cities
BOARD MEMBERSHIP MEETING
Wednesday, October 21, 2020 at 12:00 pm
North Palm Beach Country Club – North Palm Beach**

MINUTES

1. Call to Order, Roll Call

President Kim Glas-Castro called the meeting to order at 12:00pm.

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

Board members present in-person were: Kim Glas-Castro, Andy Amoroso, Lawrence Gordon, Debbie Manzo, Patti Waller, Michael Brown, Leondrae Camel, Julia Botel,

Board members present via phone were: Gail Coniglio, Shirley Johnson, Christina Lambert, Ilan Kaufer, Michael Napoleone, Robert Gottlieb, and Jeff Hmara

Absent were: Monica Mayotte and Peter Noble

Past Presidents Present: Anne Gerwig, David Stewart

Village Manager Andy Lukasik welcomed board membership to the Village of North Palm Beach. He thanked Michael Applegate from the village and Beth Davis, general manager for the country club for their assistance. He mentioned the different projects the village is working on to further develop the area such as their new development code that included upgrading U.S. 1. Next, Beth Davis introduced herself and highlighted that the food prepared for the board meeting was by Farmer's Table and that the country club is opened to the public due to its municipal status.

2. Additions, Deletions and Modifications to Agenda

Addition: 5) Miscellaneous Business
b. Criminal Justice Commission League Appointment

A motion and a second was made to approve this addition. The addition was approved unanimously.

3. President's Welcome

League President, Kim Glas-Castro

League President Kim Glas-Castro wished membership a happy Florida City Government week to the membership. She went onto remind membership that the upcoming "Read for the Record" is on October 29th. Also, she reminded membership that the next FLC policy Committee meeting is this Friday October 23rd and that there is still time to sign-up for a FLC Policy Committee. Finally, she urged members to aim for the annual FLC Homerule Hero Award and provided a tidbit that may increase their chances of receiving the award by showing that they are involved and engaged.

4. Consent Agenda

a. Approval of Board of Directors Meeting September 16, 2020 Minutes

- b. Approval of the September 2020 Financial Report
- c. Appointment of Leondrae Camel to the Transportation Committee
- d. Approval of new associate member application Carr, Riggs & Ingram (CPA)
Sponsored by: Commissioner Christina Lambert, City of West Palm Beach

A motion and a second was made to approve the consent agenda. The consent agenda was approved unanimously.

5. Miscellaneous Business

- a. Large City Representative Vacancy.....Discussion/Action
League President, Kim Glas-Castro

Executive Director Richard Radcliffe briefly summarized the process of filling the vacancy of the board’s Large City Representative’s spot that was previously filled by Vice Mayor Maria Marino. He reminded membership that the people that qualify are listed in the board’s backup that was provided. League President Kim Glas-Castro provided a report from the Executive board’s meeting where they have suggested Councilmember Chelsea Reed from Palm Beach Gardens.

Q & A session took place.

A motion and a second was made to appoint Councilmember Chelsea Reed of Palm Beach Gardens as a Large City representative to the League’s board. The motion was approved unanimously.

- Addition b. Criminal Justice Commission League Appointment.....Discussion/Actions
Executive Director, Richard Radcliffe

Executive Director Richard Radcliffe notified membership that he was contacted via Commissioner Joseph Peduzzi of West Palm Beach to replace Mayor Keith James on the Criminal Justice Commission. A discussion amongst membership took place. Executive Director asked the board if there were any objections or suggestions to this appointment. Vice Mayor Lawrence Gordon offered that he was interested in the committee position. A brief discussion took place.

A motion and a second to approve the appointment of Vice Mayor Lawrence Gordon to the committee. The motion was approved unanimously.

6. Special Presentation(s)

- FEMA Coastal Flood Map Update
Jeremy McBryan, PBC Water Resources Manager
Doug Wise, PBC Building Division Director
Dave Swigler, PBC Consultant

Mr. Jeremy McBryan provided membership with a FEMA Coastal Flood Map Update. He went over the effects of the maps including how they may impact insurance rates. He mentioned that his department briefed the PBC County Commission on September 22nd regarding how water washed ashore will impact the coastal communities. He went on to highlight that study-wide there are about 19 areas prone to flood-risk according to the 2017 flood maps that are currently used. Also, there’s a 1% chance every year of flooding. Then he notified membership to check out the PBC flood info online on the County’s website that is available to municipalities. Mr. Doug Wise weighed in and reminded membership that they may find the County’s flood layers via MyGeoNav online. Also, by adjusting the settings and layers by year to compare & contrast.

7. Committee Report(s)

- a. Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council Update

Vice Mayor Jeff Hmara

Vice Mayor Jeff Hmara provided membership a recap of the council's meeting last week. The council discussed the development plan. Next, under the recovery plan was data collection. Then, the discussion about coral reefs took place. There was a presentation from agriculture in regards to issues such as fertilizer around Lake Okeechobee. Another agenda item was on waste, bio-solids, and infrastructure gaps. Finally, affordable housing was discussed and it was agreed that pressure must be put onto the state to properly manage affordable housing.

b. Florida League of Cities Policy Committee

1. Finance, Taxation, & Personnel

Vice Mayor Milton "Chip" Block

Vice Mayor Milton "Chip" Block mentioned 3 priorities that were adopted: internet sales tax, commerce of services tax, and the digital divide.

2. Land Use & Economic Development

Mayor Anne Gerwig

Mayor Anne Gerwig mentioned they have several priorities that this committee were looking at. The following were topics covered: CRA's and how they are formed; Annexation, enclaves, non-property owners, De-annexation; Mobility plans; Bert Harris Act – they looked at expanding this; and Sovereign Immunity.

3. Municipal Administration

Vice Mayor Kim Glas-Castro

Vice Mayor Kim Glas-Castro provided membership with a recap of this committee's topics discussed. The following potential municipal issues were highlighted: Cyber-Security; Short-term rentals; Virtual meetings; Shaped meeting; Public Notice; Smoke-free zones; Fireworks and Communication between elected officials.

4. Transportation & Intergovernmental Relations

Vice Mayor Andy Amoroso

Vice Mayor Andy Amoroso highlighted the gas taxes and mobility fees mentioned at his committee's last meeting. Also, they discussed affordable housing and what that looks like.

5. Utilities, Natural Resources & Public Works

Mayor Dan Comerford

Mayor Dan Comerford's Policy Committee discussed issues such as the water quality mandate, surface water, legislation that were covered the year before. Also, they spoke about a new issue Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) that are non-biodegradable substances (ex: cleaning products). The committee agreed to take regulatory steps in regards to these substances.

8. Legal Report

League Attorney Amity Barnard, Esq.

League Attorney Amity Barnard provided membership with a brief report regarding the Jamieson v. Town of Fort Myers Beach case that involved property rights and inverse condemnation.

9. Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Richard Radcliffe

Executive Director Richard Radcliffe announced to membership that the League will not be having the Holiday Networking Event (Formerly Tri-City BQ) this year but may have a board meeting in December (if necessary) in South Bay. The League will be doing the "Toys for Tots" in conjunction with Palm Tran. Also, the League will make it available for the children out west. He went on to remind membership that Dr. Alonso will be speaking at the general membership conference call next week. Finally, Covid-19 testing at the Ballpark of the Palm Beaches now has quicker results and the

hours of operation remains the same but for the antigen testing appointments are no longer needed as well as age requirements.

10. Member Comments.....Information
Commissioner Christina Lambert congratulates the Village of Royal Palm Beach on their 2020 Census self-response. She went on to mention that all the large cities did a great job.

11. Meetings Announcement: (Mark your calendars)

- a. General Membership Meeting, Conference Call.....Noon, October 28th
- b. Board of Directors Meeting, Boynton Beach.....November 18th

12. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 1:19 p.m.