

Palm Beach County League of Cities, Inc.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Wednesday, October 24, 2012 at 10:00 a.m.
Benvenuto Caterestaurant – City of Boynton Beach

MINUTES

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

President Todd Wodraska called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Kristen Puhalainen called the roll and a quorum was attained.

Board members present were: Todd Wodraska, Martha Webster, Scott Maxwell, Mo Thornton, Bill Manuel, Jerry Beavers, Robert Gottlieb, Bill Thrasher, Steve Wilson, David Harden, Dawn Pardo, Mike Mullaugh, Matt Willhite, Woodrow Hay, Keith James, Robert Shalhoub and Gail Coniglio.
Absent were: None

Past presidents in attendance: Lisa Tropepe, Isaac Robinson, Jr., David Stewart, and Bev Smith.

Also in attendance were Executive Director Richard Radcliffe; League Counsel Brad Biggs, Esq.; Mayor Sam Ferreri, Greenacres; Councilmember Shelby Lowe, Riviera Beach; Councilmember Anne Gerwig, Wellington; Councilmember Jeff Hmara, Wellington; Councilmember Robert Gebbia, North Palm Beach; Vice Mayor Phil Aridas, Lantana; Mayor James DuBois, Lake Park; Chuck Stoddard; Willie Swoope, Palm Beach County Impact Fee Coordinator; Carisse LeJeune, Interim Assistant Manager, Boynton Beach; George Brown, Deputy Manager, Boca Raton; Dana Zorovich, Ed.D., CFRI, School District of Palm Beach County; Rosemary Rayman and Harry Raucher, Lake Worth Drainage District; Dr. Carmine Priore; Pat Archer, Mary Kay Murray, Education Foundation; Trela White, Esq., Corbett and White; League staff Kristen Puhalainen and Je'Riise Hansen.

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

Mr. Radcliffe added Item 5e: Climate Change Compact update, and Item 5f: Race to the Top Grant Application.

3. Approval of Consent Agenda

a. Minutes of Board Meeting, September 26, 2012

b. Financial Reports - September 2012

c. Ratification of changes to League committees

Add Haverhill Councilman Jerry Beavers to the ITE Task Force and Pahokee Commissioner Felisia Hill to the Education Committee

Motion by Mike Mullaugh, second by Woodrow Hay to approve the consent agenda as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Scheduled Presentations

a. Impact Fee Amendments

This item was tabled until Impact Fee Coordinator Willie Swoope's arrival.

5. Miscellaneous Business

a. Education Foundation of Palm Beach County Inc. Agreement with the League

President Wodraska explained item, and Mr. Biggs explained the agreement, which would empower the Education Foundation of Palm Beach County Inc. as the League's pass-through agent for the donation of funds for the William A. Cruickshank scholarship program.

Motion by Robert Shalhoub, second by Mike Mullaugh to approve the agreement with the Education Foundation, Inc. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Appointments to 2013 Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council

President Wodraska reported that nine of the ten current members are seeking reappointment; West Palm Beach Commissioner Kimberly Mitchell is not. Other candidates are Royal Palm Beach Councilmember Jeff Hmara and Palm Beach Gardens Vice Mayor Pro Tem Marcie Tinsley. Mr. Hmara addressed the Board. Ms. Tinsley would be arriving shortly.

There was discussion.

Motion by Bill Manuel, second by Woodrow Hay to make the following appointments to the 2013 Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council:

Seat 4	Martha Webster	Councilmember	Royal Palm Beach
Seat 5	Sam Ferreri	Mayor	Greenacres
Seat 6	Karen Golonka	Mayor	Jupiter
Seat 7	Joni Brinkman	Vice Mayor	Palm Springs
Seat 8	Shelby Lowe	Councilmember	Riviera Beach
Seat 4 Alt.	Anne Gerwig	Councilmember	Wellington
Seat 5 Alt.	David Norris	Mayor	North Palm Beach
Seat 6 Alt.	James DuBois	Mayor	Lake Park
Seat 7 Alt.			
Seat 8 Alt.	Ellen Andel	Vice Mayor Pro Tem	Juno Beach

Motion carried unanimously.

The Seat 7 Alternate seat was tabled until Ms. Tinsley's arrival.

c. Appointments to Southeast Florida Coastal Ocean Task Force

Mr. Radcliffe named the applicants for the three available appointments: Riviera Beach Chair Pro Tem Dawn Pardo; Lantana Vice Mayor Phil Aridas; South Palm Beach Councilor Bonnie Fischer; North Palm Beach Councilmember Robert Gebbia; and Vice Mayor Susan Haynie, Boca Raton. The League has been asked to appoint representatives from the north, central and south areas of the county. The candidates in attendance, Mr. Gebbia, Mr. Aridas, and Ms. Pardo addressed the Board.

There was discussion.

Motion and second to appoint Dawn Pardo as the north county representative and Susan Haynie as the south county representative. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Lisa Tropepe, second by Robert Shalhoub to name Robert Gebbia as an alternate for the north county, if permitted by the Task Force. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bill Manuel, second by Mike Mullaugh to appoint Phil Aridas as the central county representative, and Bonnie Fischer as the alternate, if permitted. Motion carried unanimously.

5. b. Appointments to the 2013 Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council

Palm Beach Gardens Vice Mayor Pro Tem Marcie Tinsley arrived and addressed the Board.

Motion by Mo Thornton, second by Dawn Pardo to appoint Marcie Tinsley as the Seat 7 Alternate on the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council. Motion carried unanimously.

4. a. Impact Fee Amendments

With Mr. Swoope's arrival the Board returned to this item. Mr. Swoope explained the proposed increases to the county's impact fees. There was discussion.

Motion and second to recommend no increase to county impact fees. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Radcliffe reported that Lake Park Mayor James DuBois had submitted a request for appointment to the Impact Fee Review Committee. The League has vacancies of one regular seat and one alternate seat.

Motion and second to appoint James DuBois to the Impact Fee Review Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

5. d. 2013 Gala Installation Luncheon

1st Vice President Martha Webster explained options for the 2013 installation luncheon. There was discussion. By consensus, research will be conducted on additional options presented.

f. Race to the Top Grant

Dana Zorovich of the School District explained that the School District is seeking municipal support for its application for a Race to the Top Grant, worth up to \$40 million.

Motion and second to provide a letter of support from the League. Motion carried unanimously.

e. Climate Change Compact

League appointee Carisse LeJeune gave an update on the Compact and asked to be added to the General Membership agenda to encourage the Mayors to participate in its Leadership Summit in December, and to sign a pledge to adopt the Regional Climate Action Plan. President Wodraska

granted her request to speak at the General Membership meeting.

6. Committee Reports

a. Education

Chair Scott Maxwell reported that the committee met recently. This is City Government Week, and for the first time the elected officials are speaking at high schools as well as middle schools. Also, the League is expanding its speakers bureau to be active all year to accommodate the teachers' curricula. The Youth Delegation is recruiting members to replace those graduating this school year. The committee is planning for the next Elected Officials Workshop and is seeking input on topics and speakers.

b. It's the Economy

Chair Lisa Tropepe reported that at its recent meeting the committee saw presentations on Federal privacy laws, an economic development survey, privatizing, and the Clerk of Courts' investment council.

7. Legal Report

Mr. Biggs reported on public records lawsuits, and reminded the Board that municipalities are not permitted to require a written form to request records, and requests must be processed in a reasonable amount of time. Also, the County's Ethics Commission is now following standards set by the State.

8. Executive Director's Report

Mr. Radcliffe reported that the Florida League of Cities' policy committees have met and the sober house issue has been made a priority by the Urban Administration Committee. The 12.50 Resolution has been re-worked by the county. The School Board issued a proclamation to the League for City Government Week. New regulations regarding fire flow is an issue to be aware of. On November 1st the Inspector General will report to her oversight committee on the procedures she feels should be followed for her evaluation. The Water Taxi Task Force meets tomorrow. He gave kudos to the League staff for taking classes leading up to a change in web site server.

9. Member Comments

Boca Raton Deputy Manager George Brown reported on changes in the law regarding initiatives and referenda on development orders.

Mr. Harden announced that he has been appointed to the Florida League of Cities' Legislative Committee. Also, employees in Delray Beach's Police and Fire Departments have had unemployment claims filed in their names, victims of identity theft.

Mr. Robinson reported that Palm Beach County has a strong presence on the Florida League of Cities' policy committees.

Greenacres Mayor Sam Ferreri announced that he will be running for the National League of Cities' Board of Directors and asked for the support of those attending the conference in November.

10. Meetings Announcements

11. Adjournment - The Board adjourned at 11:50 a.m.