

**Palm Beach County League of Cities
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
Wednesday, November 25, 2015
Benvenuto's, Boynton Beach**

MINUTES

1. Call to Order and Flag Salute

President Dawn Pardo called the meeting to order at 12:10 p.m.. Councilmember Christine Nagy gave the invocation. President Pardo led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call Cities, Introductions and Welcomes

Mo Thornton called the roll and a quorum was attained.

Cities represented were: Atlantis, Boca Raton, Boynton Beach, Briny Breezes, Cloud Lake, Delray Beach, Gulf Stream, Highland Beach, Hypoluxo, Jupiter Inlet Colony, Lake Clarke Shores, lake Park, Lake Worth, Lantana, Manalapan, North Palm Beach, Ocean Ridge, Palm Beach, palm Springs, Riviera Beach, Royal Palm Beach, South Bay, South Palm Beach and Wellington **Absent were:** Belle Glade, Glen Ridge, Golf, Greenacres, Haverhill, Juno Beach, Jupiter, Loxahatchee Groves, Mangonia Park, Pahokee, Palm Beach Gardens, Palm Beach Shores, Tequesta and West Palm Beach

Mayor Jerry Taylor welcomed the membership to Boynton Beach. He recognized his commissioners and staff in attendance: Commissioner Mack McCray, Commissioner Mike Fitzpatrick, Commissioner David Merker, City Manager Lori LaVerriere, Asst. City Manager Carisse LeJeune, CRA Director Vivian Brooks.

President Pardo introduced district representative County Commissioner Shelley Vana, who welcomed the membership to her district and wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving. She stated that she was thankful for the great relationship the county has with the League.

President Pardo recognized the dignitaries in attendance: Representative Kristin Jacobs and FLC President Mayor Matt Surrency of Hawthorn and Holly McPhail, FLC Legislative Affairs.

President Pardo welcomed new associate member Carlos Penin of CAP Government, who was given an opportunity to introduce himself to the membership.

3. Additions, Deletions, and Modifications to the Agenda

None

4. Consent Agenda

a. Approval of Minutes of October 28, 2015 General Membership meeting

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

5. Presentation

a. Palm Beach County Literacy Coalition Read for the Record Results – Kristin Calder

Executive Director Kristin Calder informed the membership of the 2015 read for the record results. She stated that the winner for the small city category is the Town of Lantana and the

winner for the large city category is the City of Boynton Beach.

b. Florida Regional Compact Initiative – FLC President Matt Surrency and Representative Kristin Jacobs

President Pardo introduced President Matt Surrency to inform the membership on his initiative.

President Surrency started off by recognizing Holly McPhail, FLC Legislative Affairs Director and FLC 1st VP Mayor Susan Haynie. He also thanked Richard for allowing him to speak today. Mayor Surrency stated that he got the idea for his initiative from the Southeast Florida Climate Compact Committee. He stated that seeing a group of governing bodies coming together for one ultimate goal gave him the idea to replicate that same model across the state.

Representative Jacobs provided the membership with some background as to how the Southeast Florida Climate Compact Group was started seven years ago. She stated that they will be emulating the work of the group to bring success to regional issues all over the state. Representative Jacobs explained that there are 19 regional planning councils in Florida and that they will be visiting each of them to find any common issues that they can work on since the past has proven that we are stronger when working together.

6. Miscellaneous Business

a. Ratifications of Appointments to the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council

President Pardo informed the membership that the board approved Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council appointments; regular; Anne Gerwig, Jeff Hmara, Bruce Guyton, Marcie Tinsley, James DuBois; alternates: Paula Ryan, Allie Biggs, Mitch Katz, Abby Brennan and David Norris and ratification is required by the membership.

Motion and second to approve the appointments to the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Legal Report

League Attorney Jennifer Ashton informed the membership that Representative Caldwell has proposed legislation to move and force all cities municipal elections to a “Super Tuesday” in November. The Florida League of Cities has taken a strong position objecting to the legislation citing that it is a Home Rule issue.

Ms. Ashton informed the membership that the Office of Inspector General’s has issued a “tips and trends” report on request for proposal. It describes what a fair RFP process looks like.

Ms. Ashton updated the membership on the Inspector General Funding Lawsuit. She stated that the County’s brief is scheduled for December 9th.

8. Executive Director’s Report

Executive Director Richard Radcliffe thanked the City of Boynton Beach for hosting the November meeting.

Richard Radcliffe reminded the membership of the Legislative Delegation Roundtable on Wednesday December 16th at the FAU Stadium in the Acura room. He asked that the elected officials to RSVP if

they plan on attending.

Mr. Radcliffe reminded the membership of Tri-Cities BBQ, which is being held on December 4th at the Belle Glade Marina. He stated that we are still taking donations and will be providing bus transportation. He asked anyone interested in taking the bus to please sign up. He also reminded the membership to bring a toy for the toy drive.

Mr. Radcliffe reminded the membership that the League will be holding the final ethics training class of the year on December 7th and 8th between 3pm-5pm at the Palm Beach State College Palm Beach Gardens Campus.

Mr. Radcliffe informed the membership of a promotion that Comcast is providing to senior citizens.

Mr. Radcliffe informed the membership that the date of the Gala will be on May 18th.

9. President's Report

President Pardo informed the membership that the Palm Beach County Fire Rescue invites all elected officials to their Pike Road facility on December 7th from 2pm-4pm to experience what it takes to be a firefighter/paramedic. President Pardo also reminded the membership to sign up for the Palm Beach County Days January 12-13 and also for FLC Legislative Action Day February 2-5.

10. Member Comments

11. Meetings Announcements

- a. Tri-Cities BBQ, Belle Glade Marina (RSVP Required).....11:30am, Dec. 4th
- b. Legislative Delegation Roundtable, FAU Stadium, Boca Raton (RSVP Required)
.....10 a.m., Dec. 16th
- c. Board of Directors Meeting, Hilton Palm Beach Hilton.....10 a.m., Jan. 27th
- d. General Membership Meeting, Hilton Palm Beach HiltonNoon, Jan. 27th

12. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m..