

**Palm Beach County League of Cities  
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING  
Wednesday, March 28, 2012, 11:30 p.m.  
St. Lucy Catholic Church – Town of Highland Beach**

**MINUTES**

**1. Call to Order, Invocation, Flag Salute, and Welcome**

President Lisa Tropepe called the meeting to order at 12:16 p.m. President Tropepe announced the passing that morning of West Palm Beach Commissioner William Moss. David Harden gave the invocation and led the pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Bernard Featherman welcomed everyone to Highland Beach. He introduced Town Manager Kathleen Weiser and the department heads. He thanked St. Lucy Catholic Church for hosting.

**2. Roll Call Cities, VIP and Introductions**

Second Vice President Martha Webster called the roll and a quorum was attained.

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

President Tropepe asked for those who are newly elected to stand and introduce themselves.

President Tropepe introduced Rep. Berman.

President Tropepe introduced Ron Ash, President of the Northern Palm Beach County Improvement District Board of Directors, a returning Associate member. He introduced board members Marc Cohn and Adrian Salee. He explained what the District does.

President Tropepe announced that Ken Kaleel, Esq. was approved that morning as an associate member. He was unable to attend.

President Tropepe introduced Katy Sorenson of Good Government Initiative, an associate member approved this morning. She explained what the organization does.

Richard Radcliffe introduced Manual Farach, the new chair of the Commission on Ethics.

**3. Additions, Deletions, and Modifications to the Agenda**

**Motion and second to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.**

**4. Consent Agenda**

- a. **Approval of minutes of the February 22, 2012 General Membership meeting**
- b. **Ratification of Appointment of South Palm Beach Councilor Robert Gottlieb to the Impact Fee Review Committee**
- c. **Ratification of Appointment of Royal Palm Beach Manager Ray Liggins to the Water Resource Task Force Technical Group.**

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

## **5. President's Report**

### **a. Nominating Committee**

President Tropepe announced that the nominating committee, City of Boca Raton Deputy Mayor Susan Haynie, Dr. Carmine Priore, Lantana Mayor David Stewart, and Calvin Turnquest met to determine the proposed 2012 – 2013 slate of officers:

**President:** Councilor Todd Wodraska, Jupiter; **1<sup>st</sup> Vice President:** Councilmember Martha Webster, Royal Palm Beach; **2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President:** Vice Mayor Scott Maxwell, Lake Worth; **Secretary/Treasurer:** Mo Thornton, Manager, Atlantis; **District 1:** President Pro Tem Bill Manuel, North Palm Beach; **District 2:** Councilmember Jerry Beavers, Haverhill; **District 3:** Councilor Robert Gottlieb, South Palm Beach; **District 4:** Bill Thrasher, Manager, Gulf Stream; **District 5:** Mayor Steve Wilson, Belle Glade; **Large City Representatives:** David Harden, Manager, Delray Beach; Council Chair Dawn Pardo, Riviera Beach; Councilmember Mike Mullaugh, Boca Raton; Vice Mayor Matt Willhite, Wellington; Mayor Woodrow Hay, Boynton Beach; Commissioner Keith James, West Palm Beach **At Large Representatives:** Councilmember Robert Shalhoub, Lake Clarke Shores; Mayor Gail Coniglio, Palm Beach.

She explained that at the April meeting, nominations may be made from the floor, provided the nominee's Consent to Serve form has been received by the League. Voting, if necessary, and the installation will take place in May.

President Tropepe announced that Congressman Ted Deutch is addressing the League membership on April 11th in Atlantis. Lunch is \$20 per person. Please RSVP to the League office.

She reported that a Fundraising Committee is being formed to come up with new ways to raise money for the scholarship and other programs. Anyone interested in participating should contact the League office.

## **6. Miscellaneous Business - None**

## **7. Legal Report**

Trela White reported that the Countywide Lobbyist Registration ordinance takes effect April 2nd. Municipalities that have their own ordinances may opt out.

The flood plain ordinances updates should be in the process of being passed.

In the case of the priority of code enforcement liens, oral argument before the Florida Supreme Court is set for April.

The Mandate has been issued in North Palm Beach's Foster's Pub case. It's going back to the trial court for an order. The Village prevailed in the case.

Red Light cameras: Broward County entered an order stating it's constitutional and upheld; Pasco County has issued an order stating that it's unconstitutional.

There was discussion on the lobbyist registration issue.

## **8. Executive Director's Report**

Mr. Radcliffe introduced the League's Member Outreach Director Kristen Puhalainen and Office Manager Je'Riise Hansen.

Following the April General Membership we will hold an Elected Officials workshop.

He gave a brief report on the legislative session.

President Tropepe introduced featured speaker Lyle Sumek, who addressed the membership on the state of municipal economies.

## **9. Member Comments**

Jon Levinson announced that Leadership Florida is accepting applications for its program. The application deadline is April 20th.

## **10. Upcoming Meetings – *announced***

**11. Adjournment** – The meeting was adjourned at 1:25 p.m.