

**Palm Beach County League of Cities  
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING  
Wednesday, August 28, 2013, 12:00 p.m.  
Newcomb Hall, Marina Complex - Riviera Beach**

**MINUTES**

**1. Call to Order and Flag Salute**

President Scott Maxwell called the meeting to order at 12:15. Mayor Thomas Masters gave the invocation. Palm Beach County Fire Rescue Honor Guard presented the flags and led the membership into 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, Belle Glade, Boca Raton, Boynton Beach, Cloud Lake, Delray Beach, Greenacres, Gulf Stream, Haverhill, Highland Beach, Hypoluxo, Juno Beach, Jupiter, Jupiter Inlet Colony, Lake Clarke Shores, Lake Park, Lake Worth, Lantana, Loxahatchee Groves, Mangonia Park, North Palm Beach, Pahokee, Palm Beach, Palm Beach Gardens, Palm Beach Shores, Palm Springs, Riviera Beach, Royal Palm Beach, South Palm Beach, Tequesta, Wellington and West Palm Beach. **Absent were:** Briny Breezes, Glen Ridge, Golf, Manalapan, Ocean Ridge and South Bay.

Councilwoman Dawn Pardo of Riviera Beach welcomed the membership to Riviera Beach and to the Newcomb Hall at the Marina Complex. She introduced the city's representatives; Councilwoman Judy Davis, Councilman Terence Davis and Deputy City Manager Danny Jones.

Councilwoman Dawn Pardo recognized her legislative assistant Jessica Pinsky as well as Mayor Thomas Masters.

Councilwoman Dawn Pardo introduced Riviera Beach City Manager Ruth Jones, who was given an opportunity to speak with the membership.

City Manager Ruth Jones welcomed the membership to Riviera Beach. Mrs. Jones pointed out that the City of Riviera Beach takes great interest in their young people. She went on to praise the Recreational Department for their successful youth programs. Mrs. Jones also spoke about Riviera Beach being the first city in Palm Beach County to institute a new technology called SmartWater which assists law enforcement in identifying and capturing criminals who have stolen property. Mrs. Jones informed the membership of Riviera Beach's aggressive efforts to improve their economy.

Councilwoman Dawn Pardo introduced CRA Director Mr. Tony Brown who was given an opportunity to speak with the membership about the future modifications to the City of Riviera Beach Marina.

President Maxwell recognized the following dignitaries in attendance: Representative Dave Kerner and Representative Bobby Powell, Jr.

President Scott Maxwell introduced Palm Beach County Vice Mayor Priscilla Taylor, Riviera Beach District Representative. Vice Mayor Priscilla Taylor welcomed everyone to her district.

President Scott Maxwell introduced new member, Marjorie Sullivan of Palm Healthcare Foundation, Inc. Marjorie Sullivan gave a brief description of her organization.

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

None

### **4. Consent Agenda**

#### **a. Minutes of the July 24, 2013 General Membership meeting**

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

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

President Maxwell reported on the State of the Cities Luncheon held by the Central Palm Beach Chamber of Commerce, which he attended. He stated that he was pleased with how many municipalities were represented. He also expressed how glad he was to see a large Palm Beach County turn out at the Florida League of Cities Conference in Orlando.

### **6. Presentations -**

#### **a. U.S. Representative, Congressman Patrick Murphy**

President Maxwell provided a brief bio of Congressman Murphy to introduce him to the membership.

Congressman Murphy thanked the membership for their applause. He spoke about the media today and pointed out that globally and nationally, we are seeing a recovery in the economy. In Congressman's opinion, the recovery is good news but it is not quick enough and there is still a long way to go. Congressman Murphy feels that our government is holding back the recovery, partly because of the lack of action. He touched upon subjects such as flooding and hurricane insurance, smart spending, the current water pollution issue in Florida specifically the Treasure Coast, and the importance of remaining passionate about environmental issues. Mr. Murphy also described the changes in the number of gang-related shootings in communities and gave thanks to those who had a part in reducing the number of violent incidents. He concluded by saying that his interest is what is best for the district and the country. Mr. Murphy thanked the membership for the opportunity to be present.

### **7. Miscellaneous Business**

None

### **8. Legal Report**

Attorney Trela White reminded the municipalities that their tentative budget must be posted on their website at least two days before the budget hearing. Once adopted the municipalities have up to 30 days to post it.

Mrs. White reported that the Florida Legislature recently adopted a Statute requiring public record access and retention obligations on all contactors who have contracts with municipalities to provide service.

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

Executive Director Richard Radcliffe reported that at the FLC Conference PC Wu was installed as president and that the conference was a success with more people attending than last year. He informed everyone that the Gold Coast League Breakfast was also a success and that the group plans to meet in the near future to discuss their legislative issues.

## **10. Member Comments**

Jeanne Heavilin reminded everyone of the upcoming Mayor's Literacy Luncheon being held on September 18th at the Omphoy Ocean Resort.

**11. Upcoming Meetings** – Wednesday, September 25th, Small Cities Host at Atlantis Country Club.

**12. Adjournment** – The meeting was adjourned at 1:20 p.m.