

**Palm Beach County League of Cities
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
Wednesday, November 23, 2011, 11:30 p.m.
Mangonia Park Town Hall – Town of Mangonia Park**

MINUTES

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

President Lisa Tropepe called the meeting to order at 12:26 p.m. David Harden gave the invocation and led the pledge of allegiance.

Councilmember Sarita Johnson welcomed everyone to Mangonia Park.

2. Roll Call Cities, VIP and Introductions

Secretary Mo Thornton called the roll and a quorum was attained.

Cities represented were: Atlantis, Boca Raton, Boynton Beach, Cloud Lake, Delray Beach, Glen Ridge, Gulf Stream, Haverhill, Highland Beach, 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, Royal Palm Beach, South Palm Beach, Wellington and West Pam Beach. **Absent were:** Belle Glade, Briny Breezes, Golf, Greenacres, Hypoluxo, Manalapan, Ocean Ridge, Palm Beach Gardens, Riviera Beach, South Bay and Tequesta.

President Tropepe introduced Second Vice President and Education Committee Chair Martha Webster, who thanked the City Government Week participants. She acknowledged Lantana Mayor David Stewart, Wellington Councilmember Anne Gerwig, and Mangonia Park Councilmembers Peggy Cook and Addie Greene for speaking to middle school students about municipal government.

President Tropepe introduced South Palm Beach Councilor Robert Gottlieb, who was recently appointed to the council, former state Senator Dave Aronberg, who works for Attorney General Pam Bondi, and Rep. Mark Pafford. She asked the members who sit on the Florida League of Cities' policy committees to introduce themselves.

3. Additions, Deletions, and Modifications to the Agenda

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

4. Approval of Minutes – General Membership, October 26, 2011

Motion by Todd Wodraska, second by Martha Webster to approve the minutes of the General Membership meeting of October 26, 2011. Motion carried unanimously.

5. President's Report

President Tropepe thanked everyone for coming on the day before Thanksgiving. She asked those attending the Tri-Cities barbecue on December 9th to bring a toy to benefit the children in the tri-city area.

6. Presentations

- a. Stay Competitive in a Changing Economic Landscape**
- b. Universal Building Permit Application**

Kim Delaney of the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council (TCRPC) facilitated the presentations by Greg Vaday, TCRPC; Don Delaney, Strategic Development Initiatives; Jeff Brophy, Land Design South; and Don Hearing, Cotleur & Hearing. They spoke on improving efficiency in the development process.

7. Miscellaneous Business, and Board Updates & Action

- a. Ratification of Appointment to the Water Resource Task Force**

President Tropepe reported that at its meeting this morning, the Board of Directors appointed Juno Beach Councilmember John Callaghan as an alternate on the Water Resource Task Force. Ratification is required by the general membership.

Motion by Mort Levine, second by Bernard Featherman to ratify the appointment of John Callaghan as an alternate on the Water Resource Task Force. Motion carried unanimously.

- b. Ratification of Appointment to the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council**

President Tropepe reported that at its meeting this morning, the Board of Directors appointed Lake Park Mayor James DuBois as an alternate on the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council. Ratification is required by the general membership.

Motion by Todd Wodraska, second by Martha Webster to ratify the appointment of James DuBois as an alternate on the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Legal Report

League Co-Counsel Brad Biggs reported that there is a legislative mandate that cities which may discharge to nutrient-impaired water bodies must enact a fertilizer ordinance, though the legislature would like all cities to adopt it. This affects 26 cities in the county. A draft ordinance has been created. All commercial applicators must be certified by 2013.

County Clerk and Comptroller Sharon Bock has filed a motion to intervene in the Inspector General funding lawsuit brought by 15 cities in the county. She is seeking direction from the court as to whether the payments are legal. Ms. Bock will not forward to the IG office any funds collected from cities, pending the outcome of the lawsuit. If the funding mechanism is found to be illegal, those cities that have paid probably would not get a refund, so she is holding the funds in the event that the cities prevail.

9. Executive Director's Report

Mr. Radcliffe reported on the Tri-Cities barbecue on December 9th at the Lake Okeechobee Outpost in Pahokee. Events added this year include a boat tour, a farm tour, and fishing. The League office is accepting donations for the event. Pahokee Town Manager Derrek Moore announced that vegetables will be available.

The January meetings will be on the 18th, the third Wednesday, to avoid conflict with the Florida League of Cities' Legislative Action Day on the 25th.

The Florida League of Cities' policy committees have determined their legislative priorities for the 2012 session. Now is the time to advocate municipal issues with our legislators.

Two pages have been added to the League's website: Suggested Reading and Success Stories.

He thanked Lake Clarke Shores Manager Dan Clark and Ms. Webster for participating at the November 3rd Commission on Ethics meeting with regard to professionals on advisory boards.

10. Member Comments - None

11. Upcoming Meetings – *announced*

12. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 1:42 p.m.