

Palm Beach County League of Cities, Inc.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Wednesday, November 24, 2010 at 10:00 a.m.
North Palm Beach Country Club – North Palm Beach

MINUTES

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

President Isaac Robinson Jr. called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

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

Board members present were: Isaac Robinson, Jr., Lisa Tropepe, Todd Wodraska, Mo Thornton, Bill Manuel, Martha Webster, Bill Thrasher, Dawn Pardo, Mike Mullaugh, and Matt Willhite. **Absent were:** Scott Maxwell, Steve Wilson, David Harden, David Levy, Woodrow Hay, Jim Newill, and Calvin Turnquest.

Past presidents in attendance were David Stewart, Bill Moss, Carmine Priore, and Richard Radcliffe.

Also in attendance were Executive Director Jamie Titcomb; Mayor Karen Golonka, Town of Jupiter; Councilmember Shelby Lowe, City of Riviera Beach; Vice Mayor Pro Tem Ellen Anzel, Town of Juno Beach; Vice Mayor Pro Tem Jo-Ann Golden, City of Lake Worth; Jimmy Knight, Manager, Village of North Palm Beach; Michael Bornstein, Manager, Town of Lantana; Leonard Rubin, Esq. Counsel for North Palm Beach; Allan Johnson, Executive Director, Palm Beach County Commission on Ethics; League Co-Counsel Brad Biggs, and Jennifer Ashton, Esq., Corbett and White; and League staff Kristen Puhalainen and Angelica Vazquez.

2. Additions, Deletions, and/or Modifications to the Agenda - None

3. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes: November 24, 2010

Motion by Todd Wodraska, second by Matt Willhite to approve the minutes of the Board meeting of October 27, 2010. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Financial Reports

Mr. Titcomb explained that with Je'Riise Hansen out this week, there are no financial reports this month. The only activity in the budget has been income from membership dues.

Motion and second to accept the year-end and monthly financial reports. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Scheduled Presentations - None

6. Miscellaneous Business

a. Appointments to 2011 Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council

Mr. Titcomb reported that the Board must make the 2011 appointments to the TCRPC. Eight of the incumbents have asked to be considered for reappointment. Regular Seat holder Joni Brinkman has resigned, and Regular Seat holder Terry Brown does not wish to be reappointed. Lake Worth Vice Mayor Pro Tem Jo-Ann Golden has submitted a request for appointment.

Mr. Titcomb introduced the applicants in attendance. The current regular members in attendance, Mayor Pro Tem Carmine Priore and Mayor Karen Golonka, spoke on their interest for reappointment.

Motion by Mo Thornton, second by Dawn Pardo to reappoint as regular members: Sam Ferreri (Seat 5); Karen Golonka (Seat 6); Carmine Priore (Seat 7). Motion carried unanimously.

Current alternate members in attendance, Vice Mayor Martha Webster, Councilmember Shelby Lowe, Vice Mayor Ellen Andel, and new applicant Vice Mayor Pro Tem Jo-Ann Golden, spoke on their interest for (re)appointment.

There was discussion.

Motion by Lisa Tropepe, second by Bill Manuel to appoint Martha Webster to Regular Seat 4. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Mike Mullaugh, second by Bill Thrasher to appoint Shelby Lowe to Regular Seat 8. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to reappoint as alternate members: Fred Pinto (Seat 4); David Norris (Seat 5); and Ellen Andel (Seat 8).

Motion by Matt Willhite, second by Bill Thrasher to appoint Jo-Ann Golden to Alternate Seat 6. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Appointments to Commission on Ethics Drafting Committee

Mr. Titcomb reported that the League of Cities has two appointments to make to the Ordinance Drafting Committee. Ms. White explained the requirements. Applicants are: Boynton Beach Manager Kurt Bressner, Wellington Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Carmine Priore, Boca Raton Councilmember Mike Mullaugh, Jupiter Assistant Manager Anne Lyons, West Palm Beach Commissioner Bill Moss, and Lantana Town Manager Michael Bornstein.

There was discussion, following which Mr. Mullaugh, Dr. Priore and Mr. Moss removed themselves from consideration.

Mr. Bornstein spoke on his interest for appointment.

The Board agreed to vote with paper ballots. Michael Bornstein and Kurt Bressner received the most votes, and were named the League's appointments to the Ethics Drafting Committee.

c. Consideration of North Palm Beach's Request for Support in Foster's Pub Lawsuit

Ms. White introduced the item, and North Palm Beach Counsel Leonard Rubin explained the case. The League's Executive Committee met on this and recommends supporting the Village with an amicus brief.

There was discussion.

Motion by Todd Wodraska, second by Mo Thornton to support the Village of North Palm Beach in the lawsuit brought by Foster's Pub, with the stipulation that legal fees not exceed \$5,000. Motion passed with Mike Mullaugh and Bill Thrasher dissenting.

d. Board of Directors Strategic Planning Session

Mr. Titcomb explained that this item is on the agenda at the request of the Board. He asked if they would like to schedule a session in conjunction with the January Board meeting.

Following discussion, the consensus of the Board is to hold the planning session the morning of January 12.

7. Committee Reports

a. Legislative

Committee Chair Lisa Tropepe and Mr. Titcomb presented the final draft of the 2011 Legislative Priorities.

Motion by Lisa Tropepe, second by Bill Manuel to accept the 2011 Legislative Priorities. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Transportation - None

8. Legal Report

Ms. White reported that her office had completed the memo to the county on median maintenance, and it has been sent to the Transportation Committee for review.

9. Executive Director's Report

The Gold Coast League will meet December 17 in Ft. Lauderdale. Kim Delaney of the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council will speak on regional rail projects. Please RSVP to the office.

The Tri-Cities picnic is December 10th at the Pahokee Marina complex.

The National League of Cities conference is Nov. 30 – Dec. 4. He and Ms. Puhalainen will be attending with two youth delegates.

Ocean Ridge Mayor Ken Kaleel has resigned from the Lake Worth Lagoon Initiative Executive Committee; a replacement is being sought.

The Town of Palm Beach Shores recognized the League in their newsletter for reducing membership dues.

10. District Reports – None

11. Member Comments

Richard Radcliffe said the League should reach out to School Board members about joining in the County Ethics Commission oversight.

David Stewart suggested a review of the attendance records of the League's appointees to the Water Resource Task Force. Just a few of the League's appointees attend on a regular basis.

President Robinson expressed concern with attendance to the League's Board meetings. According to the League's bylaws, a Board member may be replaced following three unexcused absences.

12. Meetings Announcements

13. Adjournment - The Board adjourned at 11:40 a.m.