

Palm Beach County League of Cities, Inc.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Wednesday, January 27, 2010 at 10:00 a.m.
B.B. King's Blues Club – West Palm Beach

MINUTES

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

President Tom Lynch called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

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

Board members present were: Tom Lynch, Isaac Robinson, Jr., Lisa Tropepe, Mo Thornton, Todd Wodraska, Martha Webster, Charles McCrosson, Bill Thrasher, Steve Wilson, David Harden, Jerry Taylor, David Levy, Dawn Pardo, Mike Mullaugh, Bill Manuel, and James Newill. **Absent were:** None.

Past presidents in attendance were Ken Kaleel, David Stewart, Susan Haynie, Bill Moss, Dr. Carmine Priore, Dr. Ken Schultz, and Richard Radcliffe.

Also in attendance were Executive Director Jamie Titcomb; League Counsel Trela White and Co-Counsel Brad Biggs; Councilman Jerry Beavers, Town of Haverhill; Commissioner Scott Maxwell, City of Lake Worth; Councilman Matt Willhite, Village of Wellington; Councilman Michael Jawdy, Town of Glen Ridge; Kurt Bressner, Manager, City of Boynton Beach; Assistant County Administrator Brad Merriman; Ed Chase, Director, Legislative Delegation; Todd Bonlarron, Director, Legislative Affairs; Ken Adams; Rev. Ed Bieluch; Dennis Koehler; Judge Edward Rodgers; David Schmidt; Chuck Stoddard; Addie Greene, Director, Palm Beach County Black Elected Officials; Anna Yeskey, Director, IPARC; Denise Smith-Barnes; and League staff Kristen Puhalainen and Je'Riise Hansen.

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

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

3. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes: November 25, 2009

Motion and second to approve the minutes of the Board meeting of November 25, 2009. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Financial Reports/Finance Committee/Budget

Mr. Titcomb presented the monthly report.

Motion by Isaac Robinson Jr., second by Lisa Tropepe to accept the financial report.

Mr. Robinson asked about municipal dues; Mr. Titcomb reported that 100% of municipalities have paid their dues, and 81% to 82% of Associate members have paid.

Motion carried unanimously.

a. IRS Classification Application

President Lynch reported that the League has attempted for years to establish its non-profit classification.

Mr. Titcomb reported that League staff has been working on the IRS application to have the League classified as a 501(c). The League attorney, CPA and Board have been asked to review the application. He is looking for the Board to approve forwarding the application to the IRS with the required filing fee. There was no objection.

5. Scheduled Presentations - None

6. Miscellaneous Business

a. Appointment to Board of Directors

Mr. Titcomb reported that the departure of Jeff Clemens leaves a Large City Representative seat vacant on the Board. Wellington Councilman Matt Willhite and Lake Worth Commissioner Scott Maxwell have applied. This item was deferred from the November meeting.

Each candidate was given two minutes to address the Board.

Voting was conducted by paper ballot.

With a majority vote, Wellington Councilman Matt Willhite was named as a Large City Representative on the Board of Directors.

Ms. White administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Willhite, who took his place at the Board table.

b. Appointment to the Commission on Ethics

President Lynch reported that the League has been given the honor of making an appointment to the new Commission on Ethics. The appointee must be a former elected official from Palm Beach County. Eight candidates submitted resumes. The candidates were given two minutes each to address the Board. The candidates present were: Ken Adams, Rev. Edward Bieluch, Dennis Koehler, Judge Edward Rodgers, David Schmidt, and Charles Stoddard. Candidates Alberta McCarthy and Tom McCarthy were not present.

The voting would be conducted by paper ballot. By consensus of the Board, the top two vote getters (or three, in the event of a tie), would go to a second ballot, which would determine the winner.

After the first vote, the candidate receiving the most votes was Edward Rodgers, with Ken Adams and David Schmidt tying for second. These were the candidates for the second vote.

After the second vote, the candidate receiving the most votes was Edward Rodgers, who was named the League of Cities' representative on the County Commission on Ethics.

c. Appointment to Advisory Boundary Committee

Mr. Titcomb reported that Stephen Waldman and Nellie Titcomb have requested to be reappointed. Royal Palm Beach Councilman Fred Pinto has also asked to be considered. The League has two seats on the committee.

Stephen Waldman addressed the Board. Ms. Titcomb and Mr. Pinto were not present. Ms. Webster spoke in support of Mr. Pinto, and Mr. Taylor spoke in support of Mr. Waldman. Mr. Titcomb spoke on behalf of Ms. Titcomb.

Motion by Jerry Taylor, second by Chuck McCrosson to reappoint Stephen Waldman to the Advisory Boundary Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Martha Webster, second by Todd Wodraska to appoint Fred Pinto to the Advisory Boundary Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

d. Resolution 10-01 Local Preference Policy

Ms. White read the resolution by title.

Motion by Chuck McCrosson, second by Dawn Pardo to approve Resolution 10-01. Motion carried unanimously.

e. YODEL Bylaws

Mr. Robinson explained the concept of a Youth Delegation program in the League. The bylaws are the first step in establishing the group.

There was discussion.

Motion and second to approve the YODEL Bylaws in concept. Motion carried unanimously.

f. Associate Membership Application – Robert F. Rennebaum, P.E., LEED AP

Mr. Titcomb reported that the League received an application for Associate Membership from Robert F. Rennebaum, P.E., LEED AP. He is sponsored by North Palm Beach Vice Mayor Bill Manuel.

Motion by Bill Manuel, second by Todd Wodraska to approve the Associate Membership of Robert f. Rennebaum, P.E., LEED, AP. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Committee Reports

a. Policy & Procedures Committee

Committee Chair Lisa Tropepe presented the proposed language establishing a Legal Committee, to be added to the League's bylaws. President Lynch gave the history of the item.

Motion by Lisa Tropepe, second by Bill Manuel to adopt the proposed language establishing in the by-laws a Legal Committee.

There was discussion.

Motion failed.

8. Legal Report

Ms. White reported that 20 municipalities statewide have joined the lawsuit opposing SB 360. The summary judgment hearing is scheduled for February 22.

9. Executive Director's Report

Mr. Titcomb encouraged everyone to stay for the General Membership meeting.

10. District Reports – None

11. Member Comments

Ms. Tropepe reported that IPARC voted unanimously to support a moratorium on pain management clinics.

Mr. Levy reported that the EPA meeting on water quality requirements is scheduled for February 18.

12. Meetings Announcement

13. Adjournment - The Board adjourned at 11:38 a.m.