

**Palm Beach County League of Cities
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
Wednesday, March 31, 2010, 12:00 p.m.
Atlantis Country Club – Atlantis**

MINUTES

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

President Tom Lynch called the meeting to order at 12:24 p.m.

Dave Harden gave the invocation and led the pledge of allegiance.

2. Roll Call Cities, VIP and New Member Introductions

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

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

Executive Director Jamie Titcomb recognized County Commissioner Shelley Vana and her aides Kathy Peck and Danna Ackerman-White; Josh Maddock, aide to U.S. Rep. Ron Klein; Christi Fearnley, aide to Sen. Dave Aronberg; Becca Williams, aide to Rep. Kevin Rader; Bobby Powell, aide to Rep. Mack Bernard; Darly Adams, aide to Rep. Joseph Abruzzo; Melissa Williams, aide to Rep. Mark Pafford; former County Commissioner Ken Spillias; Jim McGinn, Florida League of Cities; and Melissa McKinlay, aide to the Palm Beach County Legislative Delegation.

Mr. Titcomb invited the newly- and reelected officials, and those who are attending for the first time, to introduce themselves.

3. Additions, Deletions, and Modifications to the Agenda

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

4. Approval of Minutes – General Membership, February 24, 2010

Motion and second to approve the minutes of the General Membership meeting of February 24, 2010. Motion carried unanimously.

5. President's Report

a. Board Meeting Report

President Lynch reported that at this morning's meeting, the Transportation Committee presented proposed changes to the Traffic Performance Standards. They will be distributed to the cities for review and feedback.

b. Nominating Committee Report

President Lynch reported that the Nominating Committee met to nominate the proposed 2010 – 2011 officers. The Nominating Committee members are: Lantana Mayor David Stewart; Boca Raton Mayor Susan Whelchel; Greenacres Mayor Sam Ferreri; Tequesta Mayor Pat Watkins; Riviera Beach Councilman Shelby Lowe; and Boynton Beach Manager Kurt Bressner.

He announced the proposed slate:

President: Commissioner Isaac Robinson Jr., West Palm Beach; **1st Vice President:** Commissioner Lisa Tropepe, Palm Beach Shores; **2nd Vice President:** Councilor Todd Wodraska, Jupiter; **Secretary/Treasurer:** Mo Thornton, Manager, Atlantis; **District 1:** Mayor Bill Manuel, North Palm Beach; **District 2:** Vice Mayor Martha Webster, Royal Palm Beach; **District 3:** Commissioner Scott Maxwell, Lake Worth; **District 4:** Bill Thrasher, Manager, Gulf Stream; **District 5:** Commissioner Steve Wilson, Belle Glade; **Large City Representatives:** David Harden, Manager, Delray Beach; Vice Mayor David Levy, Palm Beach Gardens; Council Chair Dawn Pardo, Riviera Beach; Councilmember Mike Mullaugh, Boca Raton; Councilmember Matt Willhite, Wellington; Commissioner Woodrow Hay, Boynton Beach; **At Large Representatives:** Mayor James Newill, Highland Beach; Councilmember Calvin Turnquest, Tequesta.

6. Presentations

County Commissioner Shelley Vana spoke to the membership about the county budget and school safety.

a. Federal Sustainable Communities Initiative

Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council Executive Director Michael Busha spoke on the history and mission of the TCRPC. He explained the Federal Sustainable Communities Initiative, which is a partnership of HUD, DOT and EPA to regionally coordinate federal housing, environmental protection, and transportation planning and investment. He asked for the cities' support of the initiative.

b. Legislative Progress Report

Mr. Titcomb reported on the red light camera legislation in Florida's legislature, and listed several sources for legislative updates. Next week is budget week.

7. Miscellaneous Business, and Board Updates & Actions

a. Ratification of Appointment to Criminal Justice Commission

President Lynch reported that at its meeting this morning, the Board of Directors appointed Lake Clarke Shores President Pro Tem Valentin Rodriguez, Jr. to the Criminal Justice Commission. Ratification is required by the general membership.

Motion and second to ratify the appointment of Valentin Rodriguez, Jr. to the Criminal Justice Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Ratification of Appointment to Land Development Regulation Advisory Board

President Lynch reported that there are no applicants yet for this appointment. The opening will be advertised again.

8. Legal Report

Ms. White reported that she is working with the County's attorneys on the charter ethics ordinance.

Regarding the Aventura red light camera ordinance, which was struck down as unconstitutional: the Final Judgment was entered March 25th, the city's Motion for Reconsideration was denied, and the city will appeal. There is a stay pending appeal.

9. Executive Director's Report

The annual installation luncheon will be Friday, May 28th at the West Palm Beach Marriott. He challenged all cities to buy a table for the event.

He participated in the State Attorney's Prescription Drug Abuse and Trafficking Summit in February.

The Lobbyist Registration Committee will be meeting soon.

At this morning's Board meeting, County Impact Fees Manager Willie Swoope reported that his department and the Impact Fee Review Committee will propose to the County Commission that there no increase in impact fees this year. The Board of Directors voted to support the proposal.

10. Member Comments

Ken Spillias asked for help in stopping SB 1216, which would require the Children Services Council to have a renewing referendum every six years. He encouraged cities to pass Resolutions, and everyone to contact their legislators. Glen Torcivia and Darlene Kostrub echoed his sentiments.

Ms. Kostrub reported that the Literacy Coalition is holding a Read Together Palm Beach County Finale event on May 3rd at the Harriet Himmel Theater.

Lisa Tropepe announced that President Lynch was named one of Palm Beach County's top 10 CEOs by the South Florida Business Journal.

11. Upcoming Meetings - *Announced*

12. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:20 p.m.