

Palm Beach County League of Cities, Inc.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Wednesday, April 27, 2011 at 10:00 a.m.
Old School Square – 51 N. Swinton Ave. Delray Beach

MINUTES

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

First Vice President Lisa Tropepe called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

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

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

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

Also in attendance were Executive Director Jamie Titcomb; Councilman Jerry Beavers, Haverhill; Councilman Robert Shalhoub, Lake Clarke Shores; Manager Michael Bornstein, Lantana; Delray Beach Police Cpt. Thomas Mitchell; Dennis Lipp, aide to County Commissioner Jess Santamaria; County Attorney Lenny Berger; Allan Ennis, Assistant Director, County Traffic Engineering; Inspector General Sheryl Steckler; Alan Johnson, Executive Director, Ethics Commission; Joe Doucette and Rob Beitler, Office of the Inspector General; Murray Kalish, Rosemary Rayman, Joe Walsh, Harry Raucher and Mike Baker, Lake Worth Drainage District; Laura Corry, South Florida Water Management District; Chuck Stoddard; Jon Levinson; Marie Horenberger; Norman Ostrau; Nancy Hogan; League Counsel Trela White and Brad Biggs, Esq., Corbett and White; and League staff Kristen Puhalainen and Je'Riise Hansen.

Delray Beach City Manager David Harden welcomed everyone. Mr. Titcomb asked the audience members to introduce themselves.

2. Additions, Deletions, and/or Modifications to the Agenda

First Vice President Tropepe proposed adding Appointment to the Vehicle for Hire Advisory Committee as Item 6a, and the Associate Membership Application as Item 6b, moving Appointment to Water Resource Task Force from Item 6a to 6c, and Inspector General and Ethics Ordinances from Item 6b to 6d.

Motion by Dawn Pardo, second by Matt Willhite to accept the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes

a. Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting, March 30, 2011

Mr. Titcomb stated that Item 7b will be amended to correctly reflect the proposed 2011 – 2012 slate of officers.

Motion by Bill Manuel, second by Martha Webster to approve the minutes of the Board meeting on March 30, 2011 with the noted correction. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Financial Reports

Mr. Titcomb presented the financial report.

Motion by Mike Mullaugh, second by Bill Manuel to accept the monthly financial report. Motion carried unanimously.

Finance Committee Chair Mo Thornton recommended that the 2011 – 2012 dues for both municipal and associate members remain unchanged.

Motion by Mo Thornton, second by David Levy to maintain the current dues structure for FY 2011 – 2012. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Scheduled Presentations - None

6. Miscellaneous Business

a. Appointment to Vehicle for Hire Advisory Committee

First Vice President Tropepe announced that Delray Beach Police Captain Thomas Mitchell has applied for the appointment. Captain Mitchell addressed the Board.

Motion by David Harden, second by Matt Willhite to appoint Captain Thomas Mitchell to the Palm Beach County Vehicle for Hire Advisory Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Associate Membership Application

First Vice President Tropepe announced that the League has received an application from Identity Theft Resource Center. They are sponsored by President Isaac Robinson, Jr.

Motion by Mo Thornton, second by Todd Wodraska to approve the associate membership application of Identity Theft Resource Center. Motion carried unanimously.

c. Appointment to the Water Resource Task Force

Mr. Titcomb reported that Boca Raton Deputy Mayor Susan Haynie has submitted her resignation as an alternate on the Task Force. Regular seat member Betty Bingham of Ocean Ridge is no longer in office, which leaves her seat open. Boca Raton Councilman Mike Mullaugh and Wellington Vice Mayor Matt Willhite have requested appointment to the task force.

There was discussion.

Regular seat appointee Dr. Carmine Priore asked the Board to accept his resignation from the Board.

Motion by Todd Wodraska, second by David Levy to accept the resignation of Water Resource Task Force member Dr. Carmine Priore. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by David Levy, second by Mo Thornton to appoint Boca Raton Councilmember Mike Mullaugh to the regular seat vacated by Betty Bingham, and Wellington Vice Mayor Matt Willhite to the regular seat vacated by Dr. Carmine Priore on the Water Resources Task Force. Motion carried unanimously.

d. Inspector General and Ethics Ordinances

Mr. Titcomb recognized Inspector General Sheryl Steckler, County Attorney Lenny Berger, League Drafting Committee members Michael Bornstein and Jennifer Ashton. The Board has been given written comments by Drafting Committee member Kurt Bressner, as well as written comments by Ms. White.

Ms. Steckler and Joe Doucette to explained the proposed budget and took questions. Ms. White explained that the Board will need to take action today to determine the makeup of a budget delegation to attend the county commission workshop on this budget. There was discussion.

Ms. White and Ms. Ashton explained her proposed revisions to the proposed Inspector General, Ethics Commission, and Code of Ethics ordinances. There was discussion.

Motion by Michael Mullaugh, second by David Levy to adopt recommended revisions, excluding the sections on ‘definitions’ and ‘unfunded mandate.’

There was discussion.

Mr. Mullaugh amended his motion to include a proposal to extend the implementation of the ordinance until October 1, 2011, and to return ‘definitions.’ Mr. Levy amended his second. Motion carried with five opposed.

Motion by Matt Willhite that the budget delegation shall consist of five members: the League President, one large city representative, one small city representative, a city manager, and a finance director. Second by David Levy. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Committee Reports

a. ITE

Committee Chair Lisa Tropepe reported that Palm Beach Town Manager Peter Elwell spoke to the committee, and they viewed a video about Sandy Springs, GA.

b. Transportation

Committee Chair David Harden explained that the committee was asked to review proposed changes to the county’s Traffic Performance Standards ordinance. Ms. White explained her objections to the changes. Traffic Engineering Assistant Director Allan Ennis requested the item be postponed in order to discuss Ms. White’s concerns. There was discussion on the timeline for the ordinance.

Motion by Bill Manuel, second by Woodrow Hay to table action until the May 18th Special Board Meeting.

There was discussion.

Motion carried with one opposed.

8. Legal Report - None

9. Executive Director's Report

Mr. Titcomb reminded everyone of the Installation Gala on May 27.

There is a special Board meeting scheduled for May 18th, to interview Executive Director candidates. A time and location are needed. By consensus, the meeting will be held in Atlantis at 9 a.m.

10. District Reports – None

11. Member Comments

Mr. Harden commented on the funding mechanism for the Inspector General's office.

Mr. Mullaugh said the Inspector General and Ethics Ordinances never should have passed, but they should not be considered unfunded mandates.

First Vice President Tropepe announced that she and Ms. Webster will be speaking at the Florida Water Law conference in Tampa.

12. Meetings Announcements

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