

Treasure Coast Regional League of Cities

May 21, 2014

10:00 am

Fort Pierce Yacht Club, Fort Pierce

Board members Present: Mayor Joann Faiella, (arrived at 10: 15), Councilman Richard Gillmor, Councilman Dowling Watford, Vice Mayor Joel Tyson, Councilwoman Ann Kagdis, Mayor Linda Hudson, Alderman Ingrid Van Hekken, Councilwoman Amelia Graves, Commissioner Vincent Barile and Commissioner Eula Clark for Commissioner Jim Christie, Commissioner Tom Slater

Board Members Absent: Commissioner Jim Christie

Alternates Present: Vice Mayor Linda Bartz, Mayor Bill Theiss and Councilwoman Earlene Cairnes

Others in attendance: Cynthia Watson, Karen Sweeney, Pete Tesch, Beth Johnston, Nick Blount, Candace Walls, Terissa Aronson, Steve Doyle, Deb Branwell, Teri Wallace, Frank Watanabe Jason Nunemaker, Aniya Antenor, Jeannette Weiss, Travis Walker, Darlene McLaughlin, Dan Kurek, Teresa Chandler, Cara Perry.

Meeting Called to order at 10:00 by Vice Mayor Richard Gillmor.

Approval of the minutes from March. Motion made by Board Member Tyson, seconded by Alternate Board Member Bartz. Approved unanimously with no changes.

Approval of Treasurer's Report. Treasurer Watford reviewed report with Board Members. Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report made by Board Member Tyson, seconded by Board Member Kagdis. No discussion, approved unanimously.

Gavel passed to Chairman Faiella upon her arrival by Vice Chairman Gillmor.

Old Business

By Law Committee Report – Vice Chairman Gillmor gave a report on the Policies and Procedures Handbook that was developed to work alongside of the Bylaws. VC Gillmor reviewed the document, and opened it up for questions and discussion. There was brief discussion regarding the new dues structure for Associate Members to take effect in October of 2014. Discussion and comments were heard by the Associate Members. Nick Blount from FPL, expressed concern that with the dues increasing it would limit his ability to sponsor other events for our League. Motion to accept the Policies and Procedures Handbook was made by Board Member Slater; seconded by Board member Tyson. There was no further discussion, approved unanimously. Executive Director Christensen stated that there were several items that need tweaking, and that the committee may have to meet again in the near future.

TCRLC Secretary – Ex. Dir. Christensen informed the board that Board Member Christie has resigned his position of Secretary for the Board. The Board needs to elect a new Secretary. A motion was made by Board Member Hudson to nominate Board Member Van Hekken as Secretary: Board member Tyson seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Motion passed unanimously to elect Board Member Van Hekken as Secretary for the remainder of this term.

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All Aboard Florida - ED Christensen updated the Board on a meeting she attended with Representatives of All Aboard Florida. They requested to join the TCRLC. Application will be voted on later in the meeting.

PA System Purchase - ED Christensen presented options for the Board to review for the purchase of a portable PA System. After a brief discussion a motion was made by Vice Chairman Gillmor and seconded by Board Member Kagdis to purchase the Hisonic HS120BT system and to include a Microphone stand. The system and accessories were capped at \$175.00. Motion approved unanimously.

Incorporation – Treasurer Watford reported that the TCRLC is formatinlly incorporated with the State of Florida.

New Business

Indian River Task Force – Vice Chairman Gillmor reported on his appointment to the Indian River Lagoon Task Force, representing the TCRLC. The final report from the 3 day event will be released in the near future.

Ethics Training – Ex. Director reported that several members of the Board have inquired as to the TCRLC hosting an Ethics Training in the coming year, after the elections in November, which in now required for all municipal elected officials to attend.

It was the consensus of the Board that the TCRLC would host a training after in February, 2015 for all elected officials. Ex. Director Christensen will work on coordination of the event through the Florida League of Cities.

Advertisement for the Florida League of Cities Annual Magazine – the Board agreed by consensus to have an ad placed in the annual magazine with \$450.00 being appropriated for the cost. Ex. Director Christensen will photograph the group during lunch.

New Associate Membership Acceptance

Culpepper and Terpening - Motion to accept by Treasure Watford, seconded by Alternate Board Member Clarke. Motion passed unanimously.

First SouthWest – Motion to accept by Vice Chairman Gillmor, seconded by Treasurer Watford, Motion passed unanimously.

All Aboard Florida – there was some discussion by the Board on whether the membership should be accepted considering the ongoing issue with the project. After discussion there was a motion to accept by Treasurer Watford, seconded by Board Member Hudson. Motion passed by a 7/5 to accept All Aboard Florida as an Associate Member. Those approving were Vice Chairman Gillmor, Treasurer Watford, Board Members Salter, Tyson, Kagdis, and Hudson; dissenting were Chairman Faiella, Board members Graves, Van Hekken, Barile and Alternate Board Member Clarke.

President Faiella gave her report.

Board member Ann Kagdis gave an activity report on Florida League of Cities.

Board member Joel Tyson gave a report on activities with the TCCLG.

Executive Director Christensen gave her activity report in writing for the Board to review.

Next meeting scheduled for July 16, 2014. Treasure Watford will be hosting the organization in a Joint Meeting with the Treasure Coast Council of Local Governments.

Meeting recessed for networking and lunch at 11:25. President Faiella passed the gavel to Vice President Gillmor.

Board Members went outside for their photograph for the advertisement before taking a Bus Tour of Jetty Park.

Vice President Gillmor reconvened the meeting at 12:20 and introduced Michael Busha from the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council who gave a presentation on what the TCRPC does for the cities and towns.

Meeting adjourned at 1:10 PM.

Respectfully Submitted

Ingrid Van Hekken, Secretary

July, 16, 2014