# Treasure Coast Regional League of Cities, Inc. February 17, 2021 at 10:00 AM Virtual Zoom Board Meeting <u>Minutes</u>

**Board Members attending:** Commissioner Mike Meier, Councilman Bob Jarriel, Mayor Linda Hudson, Councilman David Pickett (alternate for Councilwoman Jolien Caraballo), Mayor Brian Foley, Mayor Karen Ostrand, Mayor Joel Tyson, Vice Mayor Robert Gibbons, Vice Mayor Rey Neville and Mayor Kaija Mayfield.

Absent: Alderman Ingrid Van Hekken, Councilwoman Jolien Caraballo, Mayor Ed Dodd.

**Others Present:** Councilwoman Gibbs-Thomas, District 9 Representative, Kate Cotner and Bart Gaetjen, Commissioner Becky Bruner, Commissioner Linda Bartz, Jeannette Weiss, Solutions Partnership, Abbey Johnson, SJWMD, Commissioner Eula Clarke, Ian Cotner from ATT.

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Mike Meier at 10:02 am.

Mayor Tyson led the Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation.

Executive Director called the roll for the Board and introduced the other guests in attendance.

- **5. Approval of Agenda:** A motion to approve the agenda with the modifications was made by Linda Hudson and seconded by Mayor Karen Ostrand. Motion passed unanimously.
- **6. Consent Agenda:** A motion to approve the Consent Agenda was made Motion to approve made by Mayor Joel Tyson, seconded by Mayor Karen Ostrand. Motion passed unanimously.
- **7. President's Report:** Vice President reported that President Caraballo was out of town and he was filling in. No further report.
- **8. Special Presentation:** Presenters Kate Cotner and Bart Gaetjens from FPL.

### 9. New Business:

- **a.** Letter to Governor for SFWMD Appointment: requested by Okeechobee Mayor Dowling Watford. A draft letter was presented to be sent to the Governor. Mayor Joel Tyson made a motion to approve the letter as presented by sent to the Governor, seconded by Mayor Linda Hudson. Motion passed unanimously.
- **b. March Meeting:** There was a brief discussion on the March meeting conflicting with the FLC Legislative Conference dates. There was a consensus to cancel the March meeting.
- **c. Ethics Class:** Executive Director Christensen reminded everyone of the April 22 Ethics Class signup which is ongoing. It will be optional in person and virtual.

## 10. Resolutions

a. **Resolution R2021-001:** Support for Florida League of Cities Priorities- This item was continued from the January meeting. A motion was made to approve Resolution

2021-R001 by Mayor Linda Hudson and seconded by Mayor Karen Ostrand. Motion passed unanimously.

# 11. Unfinished Business:

a. 2021 Budget Committee Review of Financials: Mayor Janet Hernandez reported that the Budget/Audit Committee met in January to review the 2020 financials kept by Executive Director Christensen. A careful review was done by Mayor Linda Hudson, Alderman Ingrid Van Hekken and herself with Exec. Director Christensen present to answer questions.

Mayor Hernandez reported that everything checked out and the only recommendation they had was to ensure that the auto charges on the bank statement for services had an invoice to back it up. Her recommendation was to accept the Audit Report of the committee. Mayor Joel Tyson made a motion to accept the Audit Report, seconded by Mayor Linda Hudson. Motion passed unanimously.

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**Executive Directors Report:** E.D. Christensen reported on the schedule of the FLC Legislative Conference.

Florida League of Cities Report: Councilwoman Susan Gibbs Thomas gave the report. She said there hadn't been much to report but she did have a zoom meeting with Jeannie Garner. The next Board meeting is June 4 in Miami

Florida Municipal Insurance Trust, (FMIT)): Mayor Hudson reported that she is attending the FMIT meeting on March 25 and 26.

**Florida League of Mayors:** Mayor Ostrand reported there is a webinar, "Candid Conversation with the Mayors", and all are welcome to sign on and attend.

**Treasure Coast Advocacy Team**: Vice President Meier reported that he had a one on one with Rep. Snyder and it went well. He needs some help in understanding Home Rule.

**Treasure Coast Council of Local Government Report**: Mayor Tyson reported that they had a good COVID 19 discussion among the members.

**Indian River Lagoon Council**: Mayor Meier reported their 1<sup>st</sup> meeting is coming up and they will be reviewing grant proposals sent in by the Cities and Towns.

### **Associate Member Announcements:**

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Nothing to report

Vice President Meier asked for a motion to adjourn. Mayor Tyson made the motion, Mayor Hudson seconded. Meeting adjourned at 11:48.

Karen Ostrand, Secretary	- February 17, 2021	