

Treasure Coast Regional League of Cities
Minutes - March 22, 2024
Stringers, Sewalls Point

Board Members attending: Mayor Linda Hudson, Mayor Karen Ostrand, Councilman David McAuley, Mayor Robert Gibbons, Commissioner Kaija Mayfield, Commissioner Campbell Rich, Mayor Joel Tyson, Councilwoman Janet Hernandez, Vice Mayor Jolien Caraballo, Councilman John Carroll, Mayor Ed Dodd, Mayor Penny Townsend and Mayor Brian Foley and Alderwoman Ingrid Van Hekken.

Others Present: Attendance List Attached

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Ed Dodd at 11:15 a.m.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance: Mayor Dodd led the pledge and the invocation led by Mayor Watford.

Self-Introduction of Board Members, Alternate Members and Guests President Dodd asked for a self-introduction of members and guests.

Additions and deletions to the agenda: None

Approval of the Agenda: Mayor Hudson the motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Rich. Motion passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda:

- a. **Approval of the Minutes for October 2023**
- b. **Approval of Treasurer's Report for October 2023.**
- c. **Approval of Committee Reports**

Motion to approve the consent made by Alderwoman Van Hekken, seconded by Mayor Ostrand. Motion passed unanimously.

President's Report: Mayor Dodd spoke about the importance of advocacy and elected officials being more involved to work on issues that are important to their communities and constituencies. There needs to be more people from the area going to Tallahassee, sending letters and colling their legislators. Many of the bad bills will come back next year.

Mr. Daniels, Sewalls Point Town Manager, concurred with Mayor Dodd in encouraging more participation.

Presentations: Mr. Bob Daniels, Sewalls Point Town Manager, gave an update on the town and spoke about the face of the community changing with newer residents moving in and their needs are different than those of residents in the past. The septic to sewer program was progressing.

Unfinished Business:

- a. **Report on Audit for 2023:** Alderwoman Van Hekken reported that the audit had been conducted. Mayors Dodd, Tyson and Hudson participated with her and Exec. Director Christensen. Christense presented the books and bank statements. Alderwoman Van Hekken reported everything balanced and all funds accounted for. A motion to accept the

audit report was made by Councilman Carroll and seconded by Mayor Ostrand. Motion passed unanimously.

Legislative Matters – There was a discussion on the 2024 Legislative session and the wins and losses on certain bills.

Stormwater Regulations, Alternative Mobility Funding and Short-Term Rentals both passed.

Sovereign Immunity, Enterprise Fund Taxes, Homestead Exemption (7015), Local Business Tax and Land Use all failed.

Executive Director Report – Executive Director Christensen went through a calendar of events for Florida League and reminded everyone IEMO is in June in Palm Beach Gardens. There was grant money available through TCRLC for first time attendees for IEMO.

She also reminded everyone of the April 19th Ethics Class.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:10 pm for lunch. Lunch ended at 1:20 pm.

Submitted by,

Commissioner Campbell Rich
Secretary