



**Treasure Coast Regional League of Cities, Inc.
February 15, 2017 at 10:30 AM
St. Lucie County Chamber of Commerce
Ft. Pierce, FL**

Minutes

Board Members attending: Mayor Linda Hudson, Mayor Joel Tyson, Councilwoman Jolien Caraballo, Councilman Gary Ritter, Commissioner Vinny Barile, Councilman Andrew Young, Mayor Thomas Campenni and Mayor Bob McPartlan.

Board Members absent, excused: Councilman Robert Auwaerter, Councilman Robert Gibbons and Alderman Ingrid Van Hekken.

Others in attendance: Mayor Karen Ostrand, Amy Brunjes (FPL), Noah Chandler, Orchid City Manager, Pete Tesch, Teresa Bishop and Nancy Yarnall.

The meeting was called to order by President, Mayor Linda Hudson at 10:32 am. Mayor Hudson asked Mayor Tyson to lead the group with an Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Self-introduction of members and guests.

The Consent agenda approval was moved by Board Member Tyson, seconded by Vice President Campenni. Approved unanimously.

President's Report: President Hudson reported that she is asking for a volunteer to replace her as the representative on the Indian River Lagoon Council Management Group. Vice Mayor Campenni volunteered to represent the Treasure Coast Regional League of Cities. Board Member Ritter is on the Citizen's Advisory Council for the Indian River Lagoon Council.

President Hudson is attending the Safe Cities, Safe Florida Summit in Boca Raton.

Special Presentation – Amy Brunjes, Florida Power and Light and FPL representatives, Dianne Vernera and Louis Gonzalez, spoke to the membership about LIHEAP.

Resolutions

2017R - 001 Safe Cities, Safe Florida – Motion was made by Board Member Tyson seconded by Board Member Kagdis. Motion passed unanimously.

2017R – 002 Public Records – Motion was made by Board Member Kagdis, seconded by Vice President Campenni. Motion passed unanimously.

2017R – 003 – In Support of Improvement of Water Quality of the I R Lagoon. Motion was made by Vice President Campenni, seconded by Councilwoman Caraballo. Motion passed 5 – 1, with Councilman Gary Ritter voting against the resolution.

Other Business:

New Associate Member – Ygrene Energy Fund – Motion to approve Ygrene’s membership was made by Vice President Campenni, seconded by Board Member Tyson. Motion passed unanimously. Mayor Hudson welcomed Kate Wesner to speak a few minutes about Ygrene.

Discussion on Travel Policy/Reimbursement – It was decided that the By-law Committee would meet to discuss the policy before the March meeting.

Executive Directors Report – Patricia Christensen reminded the board of the upcoming Legislative Action Days in Tallahassee. She also reported on HB17 which was a bad bill being considered in the house, and preempted Home Rule.

Ethics Class is in the final stages of planning. Planned for April.

Florida League of Cities Report - District 9 Representative, Vice President Campenni reported on FAST in Washington DC.

Treasure Coast Advocacy Team - President Kagdis reported on the upcoming legislative session.

Treasure Coast Council of Local Government Report – Board Member Tyson reported on the last meeting, with City Manager Jason Nunemaker as the speaker, who spoke on grants that the City is receiving for projects.

Associate Member Announcements Nancy Yarnall of the Area Agency on Aging reported on SNAP for Seniors, a hunger relief project.

Adjournment for lunch at 12:02

Minutes respectfully submitted

Ingrid Van Hekken, Secretary - February 15, 2017