



**Treasure Coast Regional League of Cities, Inc.
October 20, 2017 at 10:00 AM
Marsh Landing
Fellsmere, FL**

Minutes

Board Members attending: Mayor Linda Hudson, President Ann Kagdis, Mayor Joel Tyson, Councilwoman Jolien Caraballo, Councilwoman Michelle Henry (alternate for Councilman Robert Gibbons), Commissioner Vinny Barile, Commissioner Thomas Campenni, Alderman Ingrid Van Hekken and Mayor Bob McPartlan.

Board Members absent, excused: Councilman Gary Ritter, Councilman Robert Gibbons

The meeting was called to order by President, Mayor Linda Hudson at 10:01 am.
Mayor Hudson deferred the Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Members Meeting

Self-introduction of members and guests.

Consent Agenda: All items on the Consent agenda were approval by motions made by Commissioner Campenni and seconded by Councilwoman Caraballo. Motion passed unanimously.

President's Report: No report.

Special Presentation: Will be during Membership Meeting.

Resolutions:

- a. 2017R-010 – CRA” s -Motion to approve was made by Councilwoman Caraballo, seconded by Commissioner Campenni, approved unanimously.
- b. 2017R-011 – Communications Tax - Motion to approve was made by Commissioner Campenni, seconded by Councilwoman Caraballo, approved unanimously.
- c. 2017R-012 – Water Resources - Motion to approve was made by Commissioner Campenni, seconded by President Kagdis, approved unanimously
- d. 2017R-013 – Sober Homes – wrong resolution was provided in packet. Was voted on but will reconsider with correct paper work at next meeting.
- e. 2017R-014 – Transportation Funding – Motion to approve was made by Commissioner Campenni, seconded by President Kagdis, approved unanimously

Unfinished Business

- a. Home Rule Grassroots - Jeannette & Maureen from Solutions Partnership gave brief update – Treasure Coast Council of Local Government approved expenditure
- b. Election of Officers – slate of officers presented, Mayor Hudson would remain as President, Commissioner Campenni would remain as Vice President, Councilwoman Caraballo as Secretary and Commissioner Barile would remain as Treasurer. A motion to elect the slate as presented was made by Mayor Tyson and seconded by President Kagdis. Motion approved unanimously. Alderman Van Hekken inquired asked if an audit is needed. It was decided that an audit committee needs to be formed in January, Ingrid agreed to chair.

Other Business: President Kagdis reported that City Government week was the following week. Sher provided everyone with buttons and asked everyone to publicize their respective cities, villages and towns. Alderman Van Hekken has booklets to share.

Executive Directors Report: In the absence of Exec. Dir. Christensen, Mayor Hudson read the report. Installation Dinner details.

Florida League of Cities: Commissioner Campenni reported on the FAST trip to Washington was good. They saw Gov. Scott and Adam Putnam re: Irma. Scott Dudley is recovering and Casey Cook is interim until Scott returns. FLC is doing well. President Kagdis spoke about FMIT.

Treasure Coast Advocacy Team: President Kagdis reported that the team had a meeting with Sen. Negrón, talking about issues that affect everyone. She also attended the Delegation meeting where discussions were held regarding water quality, maintenance, storage and transportation are issues that affect everyone. She advised everyone that if you can't go to Tallahassee, you can make phone calls. Alderman Van Hekken invited the Advocacy Team to speak to her Village Council. Commissioner Campenni suggested that she send an email to Patricia with invitation. .

Treasure Coast Council of Local Government Report: Board Member Tyson reported the Nicole Fogarty spoke about Home Rule.

Associate Member Announcements: Deferred to the Membership Meeting.

Adjournment for lunch at 10:41 am

Minutes respectfully submitted

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Member Meeting minutes

1. Call to order by Mayor Hudson at 11:26 a.m.
2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance
3. Self – Introduction of Members and Guests – Mayor Tyson thanked everyone for attending. He told story about how Fellsmere became the first place in Florida that a woman could vote.
4. President Report – no report so guest speaker could have more time
5. Guest Speaker – Florida League of Cities President Gil Ziffer –President Ziffer talked about how to be engaged with the leadership in Tallahassee. Told everyone to make those contacts now, set up meetings now with those representing your region, bring someone from Chamber of Commerce or other communities, they need to see you and hear from you; tell them to leave us alone, no HB17, leave CRA's alone; remember that text messages are read, but emails are not, use texts to remind them that you are watching them, let them know your issues, develop that relationship. Let the rest of the FL League of Cities know the outcome of your meetings. He advised that the Legislative conference is in December in Orlando. Restrictions on millage rates, red light cameras and more bills are coming back. Reach out to Senator Negron with what's important. President Ziffer's hashtag is Let Cities Work (he handed out flyers and magnets). If anyone needs help, let him know, he's happy to go see people in Tallahassee for you and to send you pre-written editorials to localize.
6. Award – President Gil Ziffer awarded the TCRLC Home Rule Hero award
7. Associate Member Announcements –
 - a. Bob McPartlan talked about Food Stamps for FEMA. Said they are using fairgrounds so as not to impact businesses with large crowds arriving to apply. Said the following amounts were given: IRC - \$9million; Martin - \$4.6 million; Okeechobee - \$3.1 million; and St. Lucie \$21.8 million
8. Closing and final comments: Adjourned at 12:31 p.m.

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