

# *BIG-C*

## *Barrier Islands Governmental Council*

*Belleair Beach*  
*Belleair Shore*  
*Clearwater*  
*Indian Rocks Beach*  
*Indian Shores*  
*Madeira Beach*



*North Redington Beach*  
*Redington Beach*  
*Redington Shores*  
*St. Pete Beach*  
*Treasure Island*

The Big C meeting was called order by the President, Mayor Leslie Notaro at 9:00am on Wednesday, April 25, 2018 at the City of Madeira Beach, 300 Municipal Drive, FL.

### 1. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Nataro

### 2. Roll Call

Leslie Nataro, Belleair Beach  
Robert Schmidt, Belleair Shores  
Jo Anne Kennedy, Indian Rocks Beach  
Pat Soranno, Indian Shores  
Maggi Black, Madeira Beach  
Bill Queen, North Redington Beach  
Nick Simons, Redington Beach  
Mary Beth Henderson. Redington Shores  
Alan Johnson, St Pete Beach  
Larry Lunn, Treasure Island  
Cookie Kennedy, Indian Rocks Beach

Mike Hackerson, Councilor, Indian Shores  
Diantha Schear, Vice Mayor, Indian Shores  
Bill Smith, Councilor, Indian Shores  
Nick Palomba, Commissioner, Indian Rocks Beach  
Bob Esposito – FDOT, Government Affairs  
Sandra – Forward Pinellas, Planner  
Brian Goff, Reporter, Beach Beacon  
Owen Gregg, Sand Key Civic Association  
Michael Robinson, Commissioner  
Wanda Schwerer, Councilor, Belleair Beach  
Deby Weinstein, Vice Mayor, City of Madeira Beach  
Nancy Hodges, Commissioner, City of Madeira Beach  
Jennifer Webb, Candidate HD69

Jeff Balar, Duke Energy  
Bob Griffin, Beach Newsletters  
John Messmore, North Redington Beach  
Joan Price, Pinellas County  
Tyler Payne, Commissioner, Treasure Island  
Doug Izzo, Tampa Bay Beaches Chamber  
Missy Hahn, President TI & MB Chamber  
Doreen More – Madeira Beach  
Rick Walker – Pinellas County Emergency Management

3. Approval of Agenda

Following a first and second motion by Mayor Nataro, the item was unanimously approved.

4. Approval of March 28, 2018, Minutes

Following a first and second motion by Mayor Nataro, the item was unanimously approved.

5. Approval of March 2018, Treasurer's Report

The January Treasurer's Report was read by Mayor Nataro. There was no activity in March 2018, the opening and closing balance is \$1,725.55. It was moved to accept the Treasurer's Report by Mayor Queen and seconded Mayor Soranno. The voice vote was unanimous.

6. Correspondence

Request from Tampa Ferry for BIG C Continued Support of Waterborne Transportation throughout the Barrier Islands of Pinellas County (Resolution 2016-02). Mayor Notaro mentioned to change this resolution from a 2016 to 2018. A motion should be made to reflect the changes in the resolution. Following a first and second motion, the item was unanimously approved.

Mayor Notaro mentioned Pinellas County needs a building official to serve on the Pinellas County Construction Licensing Board and asked if anyone knew of someone who could serve, the applications have to be at the County by May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018,

7. New Business

Mr. Nathan (Nate) Witt, Chief of Voluntary Service Program for Bay Pines VA Healthcare System gave an educational presentation to the BIG C spreading awareness on voluntary services and donation opportunities for Bay Pines. In Fiscal Year 2017, 1,160 volunteers contributed a total of 172,243 hours. When combined with in-kind and monetary donations, the value of the volunteer program is estimated at more than \$5.38 million.

8. Old Business

Consideration of Resolution 2018-01, a Resolution of the Barrier Islands Governmental Council (BIG C) of

Florida, Opposing Offshore Oil Drilling and Exploration Activities; and Providing for an Effective Date. Mayor Nataro mentioned there was a presentation on Offshore Drilling a couple months ago and this resolution is coming from the BIG C as a group.

Following a first and second motion by Mayor Nataro, the item was unanimously approved. Mayor Leslie Nataro mentioned old business a report on a meeting coming from the Pennies for Pinellas beautification.

Mayor Queen mentioned the meeting with Mark Ward and Pinellas County and there were several issues to talk about, Mayor Queen gave an overview.

- Penny three money - any projects that have been completed will be reimbursed by September 30, 2019 and there will be some allowance for reimbursement after that date. All money requests should be submitted by this date and this should be \$200k or less. Any monies that is transferred by another City will be reimbursed by 2030. Penny for money can be given to other communities and can be reimbursed.

Overall the undergrounding of Gulf Blvd is the main objective as that was the vision when Gulf Blvd Beautification started with Beach access and mitigation for the flooding.

- Request from each city's synopsis.
- Penny for money – the BIG C should hire a coordinator, the suggestion is RB Johnson

## 9. Miscellaneous

A member from the BIG C mentioned a round table discussion with the legislatives to discuss the short term rentals concerns and regulations.

Mayor Nick Simons mentioned back to the Gulf Blvd Beautification, the sub-committee met that morning – they received a request for the City of Treasure Island to consider the Gulf Blvd Beautification and that they met the criteria. Treasure Island and the County will be notified.

Mayor Maggi Black mentioned the City of Madeira Beach urges the repeal of this legislation and urges the Legislature to recognize the home rule authority of local governments.

## 10. Legislative Update

No Legislative updates

## 11. City Events

Memorial Day is coming up

Mayor Jo Anne Kennedy mentioned the passing of the Crabby Bills owner Bill Loder and his family.

Mayor Maggi Black the King of the Beach that weekend (Thursday, Friday and Saturday)

Mayor Mary Beth Henderson mentioned Redington Shores on May 17<sup>th</sup> host their annual flood awareness meeting

Mayor Pat Soranno mentioned Indian Shores Memorial Day picnic

Mayor Alan Johnson mentioned St Pete Beach did a ribbon cutting for the first stage of Pass a grill

Construction. On May 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> there is a Mountainfilm festival to be held at the Don CeSar. Corey

Market is every Sunday. On 28<sup>th</sup> May, donations of medicine.

Mayor Bill Queen – Beach re-nourishment has started in Treasure Island and then to go North and then moving South.

12. Adjourn- The Big C meeting was Adjourned @ 9:45AM

May 30, 2018  
Date Approved

APPROVED: Leslie Ford Notaro  
Leslie Ford Notaro, President

ATTEST: Patricia A. Gentry  
Patricia A. Gentry, City Clerk

The meeting adjourned at 9:45AM. The next meeting will be Wednesday, May 30, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. at the City of Treasure Island, 120 108th Avenue, Treasure Island, FL.