

**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 to order by President Mayor Bob Minning at 9:05 am on Wednesday, October 25, 2017, at the Belleair Beach Community Center, 444 Causeway Boulevard, Belleair Beach, FL.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Minning.

2. Roll Call

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Belleair Beach	Mayor Leslie Ford Notaro
Clearwater	Mayor George Cretekos
Indian Rocks Beach	Mayor R. B. Johnson
Indian Shores	Councilor Michael Petruccelli
Madeira Beach	Mayor Maggi Black
North Redington Beach	Mayor Bill Queen
Redington Beach	Not Present
Redington Shores	Not Present
St. Pete Beach	Mayor Alan Johnson
Treasure Island	Mayor Bob Minning

GUESTS – FROM SIGN IN SHEET:

Belleair Beach	Wanda Schwerer, Vice Mayor
Belleair Beach	Julie “Jewels” Chandler
Belleair Beach	Patricia Gentry, City Clerk
Indian Rocks Beach	R.B. Johnson, Mayor
Indian Shores	Diantha Schear, Vice Mayor
Indian Shores	Mike Hackerson, Councilor
Madeira Beach	Derryl O’Neal, City Manager
Treasure Island	Pamela Middleton, Deputy City Clerk
DECF	Bill Bucolo, VP Operations
NOAA	Heidi Stiller, Coastal Management Specialist
PSF&RD	Mike Burton, Fire Chief
PSF&RD	Larry Schear, Commissioner
PSTA	Bob Lasher, External Affairs Officer
SPC	David Klement, Director
SPC	Jacquelyn Schuett, Project Coordinator
TBBCC	Doug Izzo, Government Affairs

TBEP	Maya Burke, Science Policy Coordinator
TBRPC	Brady Smith, Principal Planner
TI & MB Chamber	Missy Hahn, President
Abbey Adams LLP	Jeremy Bailie, Attorney
Connection Partners	Sharon Joy Kleitsch, Partner
Florida CraftArt	Rhonda Sanborn, Development
Forward Pinellas	Joanne "Cookie" Kennedy, Vice Mayor, Indian Rocks Beach
Forward Pinellas	Sandra Knoebel, Planner
Forward Pinellas	Breta Burks, Planner
Indian Rocks Beach	Jose L. Coppen, Resident
Janicki Environmental	Michael Wessel, VP
Pinellas County	Kelli Hammer Levy, Division Director
Pinellas County EM	Rick Walker, Coordinator
Sand Key Civic Assoc	Owen Gregg, Secretary
UF Pinellas County Ext	Romona Madhosingh, Urban Sustainability Agent
UF Pinellas County Ext	Trevor Ackerman, Urban Sustainability Program Assistant
Beach Newsletters	Bob Griffin
Tampa Bay Newspapers	Bob McClure, Editor
	Patricia Plantamura (no affiliation listed)

3. Approval of Agenda

It was moved by Mayor Queen and seconded by Councilor Petruccelli to approve the agenda. The voice vote was unanimous.

4. Approval of September 2017 Minutes

It was moved by Mayor Queen and seconded by Mayor R. Johnson to approve the September 2017 minutes. The voice vote was unanimous.

5. Approval of September's 2017 Treasurer's Report

The September Treasurer's Report was read by Mayor Minning. It was moved to accept the Treasurer's Report by Mayor A. Johnson and seconded by Mayor Queen. The voice vote was unanimous.

6. Correspondence

- 10/6/17 Memo from Mayor Minning to BIG C Members concerning Meeting with U. S. Army Corps of Engineers and Pinellas County at the FSBPA Annual Conference

FSBPA Annual Conference 2017 – Meeting was held between BIG-C Board Members, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (COE), and Pinellas County (PC) Representatives regarding the absence of ROW easements needed from some Residents for the Pinellas County Beach Renourishment Project – Sand Key. Letter was to be sent from the COE and PC, and possibly Representative Charlie Crist, to Residents who were reticent to sign for the easements to explain why they were appropriate and necessary, and that the project could not move forward and may jeopardize future projects without them. It was stated that a draft letter had been received and a final version was forthcoming including the *in perpetuity* language.

- 10/18/17 letter for the FSBPA Concerning the 2018 Beach Watch Membership Renewal (including invoice)

7. New Business

- Pinellas County Commissioner Janet Long and Susan Glickman , Director of the Southern Alliance for Clean Energy, to discuss "*West Coast Florida Climate Compact*"

Commissioner Long stated she has had ongoing and robust discussions with the County Administrator and other stakeholders to move forward to ensure that the policies put in place today, which will have a long-term impact, help to keep the environment and beaches pristine and safe for Citizens in relation to sea level rise.

Ms. Glickman outlined the issues Commissioner Long had referred to. She stated that Pinellas County is doing more than anyone else on the West Coast. She discussed the need for a West Coast Florida Climate Compact to address issues such as climate change causing heat-related health issues that affect tourism - and the dollar cost of that impact on the region. She stated that the adaptation and mitigation of climate change, such as electrification of transportation, mini-grids for hospitals, solar generators, etc., and the infrastructure that is needed for these things, has economic value. She advised that the Mission Statement, similar to the South Florida Compact, would be to develop and lead a West Coast Florida Climate Compact, to work collaboratively on mitigation and adaptation strategies, to develop a regional climate change action plan, to hold an annual summit, and to invite participation from other stakeholders. The Compact would be broad, but would narrow to local needs.

Commissioner Long stated that the Board of County Commissioners was working on the design and implementation of the Dunedin Causeway Bridge, and how the rising tide would impact approaching and getting over the bridge. The Board also discussed how to implement the bed tax money with regard to transportation solutions and infrastructure to support it for the growing number of tourists each year.

8. Florida Shore & Beach Preservation Annual Conference Highlights

Mayor R.B. Johnson stated that future federal funding for beach nourishment projects did not seem to be as dire as in the past. He advised that there had been a lot of emphasis on how well the renourished beaches and dunes had done after Hurricanes Matthew and Irma on the beaches that had well-built dune systems in place.

9. Old Business

- Draft Version of 2018 Host City Schedule

The 2018 Host City Schedule was unanimously approved.

- Discussion of the BIG C's PCCLB Nomination.

It was unanimously approved to move the agenda item to the next meeting.

10. Miscellaneous

Commissioner Long advised that there would be funding from the Penny for Pinellas for economic development, and affordable housing for firefighters, police officers, and nurses that are graduating from college but cannot find affordable housing in the County when just beginning their careers. Also, the most critical issues for seniors in the County are housing and food.

11. Legislative Update

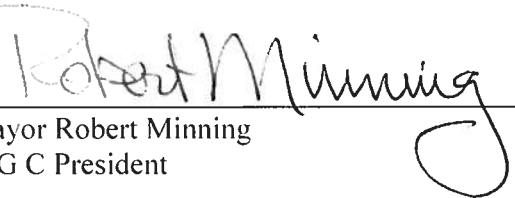
None

12. City Events

Board Members reviewed recent and upcoming events in their Cities.

13. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 10:07 am. The next meeting will be the Annual Holiday Event on Wednesday, December 6, 2017, at 9:00 am at Indian Shores Town Hall, 19305 Gulf Boulevard, Indian Shores, FL 33785.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert Minning". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Mayor Robert Minning
BIG C President