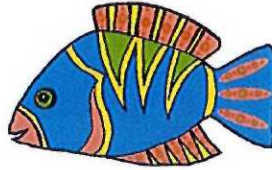


BIG-C

Barrier Islands Governmental Council

Belleair Beach
Belleair Shore
Clearwater
Indian Rocks Beach
Indian Shores
Redington Shores



North Redington Beach
Redington Beach
Madeira Beach
St. Pete Beach
Treasure Island

Indian Shores

DECEMBER 3, 2014

MINUTES

President Minning called the meeting to order at 9:05 A.M., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Belleair Beach	Councilmember Wanda Schwerer
Clearwater	Mayor George Cretokos
Indian Rocks Beach	Vice Mayor Terry Hamilton-Wollin
Indian Shores	Mayor Jim Lawrence
Madeira Beach	Mayor Travis Palledeno
North Redington Beach	Mayor Bill Queen
Redington Beach	Mayor Nick Simons
Redington Shores	Mayor Bert Adams
St. Pete Beach	Mayor Maria Lowe
Treasure Island	Mayor Bob Minning

GUESTS PRESENT:

PCBOCC	John Morroni, Commissioner; Janet Long, Commissioner
Blue Heron Consulting	Jim Frishe
Florida Sea Grant	Monica Wilson, Extension Specialist
Galleries on the Go	Sara Mullins, Curator
Indian Rocks Beach	R.B. Johnson, Mayor
Residents	Jose Coppen
Residents	Linda & Jerry Newton
Indian Shores	Joan Herndon, Vice Mayor;
Indian Shores	Bill Smith, Councilor
Indian Shores	Patrick Soranno, Councilor
Indian Shores	Elaine Jackson, Town Clerk
Indian Shores	Karen Achhamer, Deputy Clerk
Indian Shores	Bonnie Dhonau, Town Administrator
Indian Shores	Walter Pierce, Director of Finance
Indian Shores	Matt Towson, resident
Redington Shores	Steve Andrews, Building Official
Redington Beach	Mark Deighton, Commissioner
St. Pete Beach	Terri Finnerty, Commissioner
Treasure Island	Phil Collins, Commissioner
Treasure Island	Pamela Middleton, Deputy Clerk

Pinellas County	Mary Scott Hardwick
Pinellas County	Paul Giuliani, Construction Manager
Pinellas County	Ralph Reid, BOCC
Pinellas County MPO	Cookie Kennedy
Pinellas County, MPO	Sarah Ward, Int. Director
Pinellas County, MPO	Sandra Knoebel, Planner
PSFRD	Sal D'Angelo III, Fire Chief
PSTA	Bob Lasher
Redington Beach	Wayne Deighton, Commissioner
State of Florida	Larry Ahern, Representative
State of Florida	Kelso Tanner, Legislative Aid
TBBCC	Doug Izzo
TBBCC	Doreen Moore
TBBCC	Robin A. Sollie, CEO
TDC	Bill Priakos, Barefoot Beach Resort
Visit St. Pete/Clearwater	Rhonda Sanborn, Hospitality Educ. Director

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Mayor Queen, seconded by Mayor Palledeno for approval of the Agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM OCTOBER 3, 2014 MEETING.

Motion by Mayor Lowe, seconded by Mayor Adams for approval of the October 3, 2014 meeting minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

5. APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 2014 TREASURER'S REPORT.

Motion by Mayor Simons, seconded by Vice Mayor Hamilton-Wollin, for approval of the October 2014 Treasurer's Report. Motion passed unanimously.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

Mayor Minning addressed his letter dated November 20, 2014, to Assistant Secretary Darcy of the Department of the Army, Civil Works, supporting the implementation guidance for the Water Resources Reform and Development Act of 2014.

7. NEW BUSINESS

Monica Wilson, PhD, Gulf Oil Spill Research Extension Specialist, presented a PowerPoint relative to the Sea Grant/Gulf of Mexico Research Initiative Oil Science Extension Program, in which \$500 million will be expended over a ten year period, with the goal to improve society's ability to understand, respond to and mitigate the effects of petroleum pollution and related stressors. The five theme areas are: physical distribution and dilution of oil, gas and dispersants; their chemical and biological degradation; their environmental effects; technology for improved response, and the impact on public health. Outreach activities include K-12 education, research assistants and the general public.

The mission of the Sea Grant is to enhance the practical use and conservation of resources to create a sustainable economy and environment. The Oil Spill Outreach Program is privately funded, includes four specialists and a two-year investment, in order to share oil spill science and identify target audiences, such as elected officials, emergency responders, environmental staff, fishers, public health officials, tourism specialists, etc. through bulletins, science seminars and input sessions.

8. OLD BUSINESS

(A) The schedule for the 2015 Big-C meetings was included with agenda. The next meeting is scheduled for January 28, 2015 at Redington Shores.

(B) President Minning stated the Big-C has established a sub-committee of three to review beautification projects for Gulf Boulevard. However, to avoid a conflict of interest, a 4th person should be appointed as member.

Motion by Mayor Queen, seconded by Mayor Simons, to appoint Mayor Adams as 4th member of the committee. Motion passed unanimously.

9. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Commissioner Janet Long announced the upcoming meeting with the Pinellas Delegation.

Mary Scott Hardwick announced the County is accepting proposals for Restore Funds and all are encouraged to apply.

Ralph Reid reported the Commission is considering a funding formula change for the TDC and will be discussed on December 16, 2014.

Representative Larry Ahern announced only 26 bills have been filed thus far, but he plans to address flood insurance issues to reduce premiums for residential property and there may be a showdown with Duke Energy. He stated he is also looking at tax relief for small business leases.

Commissioner Moronni stated next Tuesday, December 9, 2014, at 9:30 am is the joint delegation meeting with the Board of County Commissioners and it is open to the public. December 16, 2014 will be the last meeting of the year. Next year the TDC will be a very important part of business conducted. Penny for Pinellas will be on the ballot in the next two years.

Robin Sollie, Tampa Bay Beaches Chamber of Commerce, reported on her meeting with Congressman David Jolly relative to insurance relief for commercial property owners.

10. CITY EVENTS

Various officials announced the times and dates of numerous respective Boat Parades, Holiday parades, tree lightings, decorating contests, and other special events scheduled to take place during the holiday season.

11. ADJOURN

The meeting was duly adjourned at 9:55 A.M.

Next meeting to be hosted by Redington Shores on January 28, 2015.



Robert Minning, President
Barrier Islands Governmental Council