

**MINUTES
MANASOTA LEAGUE OF CITIES
REGULAR MEETING
January 11, 2018**

Present: President Brian Williams (Palmetto), Vice President Willie Shaw (Sarasota), Treasurer Patrick Roff (Bradenton, arrived at 9:49 a.m.), Commissioner Carol Carter (Anna Maria), Mayor John Chappie (Bradenton Beach), Commissioner Jim Kihm (Holmes Beach), Commissioner Jim Brown (Longboat Key), Mayor Linda Yates (North Port, arrived at 9:34 a.m.)

Absent: Council Member Mitzie Fiedler (Venice)

Also Present: Administrative Coordinator Gail Loeffler and Assistant Administrative Coordinator Trish Shinkle

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Williams called the January 11, 2018, Regular Meeting of the ManaSota League of Cities (MSLC) to order at 9:31 a.m. in the Town of Longboat Key Commission Chamber, 501 Bay Isles Road, Longboat Key, Florida, and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC TO BE HEARD

1. Public Input

Members of the audience were recognized and Board members introduced themselves.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 9, 2017

Vice Mayor Shaw moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 9, 2017. The motion, seconded by Member Chappie, carried unanimously on a voice vote.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

3. Reports

A. Associate Members or Ex-Officio Members: No items were presented.

Note: Linda Yates arrived at 9:34 a.m.

B. President's Report

President Williams reported on the first call-in for Florida League of Cities (FLC) for 2018, distributed a summary of the call-in discussion, and encouraged members to contact the appropriate people with concerns about legislative issues noted and discussed.

Member Carter commented on Senate Bill 1400 (Steube), Vacation Rentals, noting it had not been referred to committee.

C. Vice President's Report

Vice President Shaw commented on the FLC Legislative Conference held in December in Orlando and Senator Steube's bill regarding vacation rentals.

Member Yates offered discussion on language and talking points that could be used when discussing protection of cities' home rule.

3. Reports - Continued

D. Treasurer's Report

Due to the absence of Treasurer Roff, President Williams reviewed the Treasurer's report.

Vice President Shaw moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. The motion, seconded by Member Chappie, carried unanimously on a voice vote.

E. Administrative Coordinator's Report

MSLC Administrative Coordinator Gail Loeffler reported on the following:

- Savannah Schield, Longboat Key Deputy Clerk, would be assisting with recording and transcribing Minutes for MSLC
- FLC Legislative Action Days in Tallahassee on January 30-31, 2018, with a registration deadline of January 16, 2018.

F. Florida League of Cities' (FLC) Board of Directors

District Director Yates reported on the following topics/issues:

- priority of FLC President Gil Ziffer "Let Cities Work" and citizen engagement
- identify members with a close relationship to a legislator for FLC to call on if needed
- inviting legislators to speak at council meetings when there is an opportunity
- seven FLC representatives serve on the National League of Cities
- Constitution Revision Committee (CRC) Proposal 61 relating to Home Rule
- contacting CRC members
- next board meeting date was in conjunction with FLC Legislative Action Days.

Member Carter commented on how proposals go to ballot if approved by the CRC.

Note: Treasurer Roff arrived at 9:49 a.m.

Treasurer Roff commented on economic growth and recession predicted for 2020.

G. FLC Legislative Committee Member Reports

Member Yates reported the Transportation Policy Committee adopted Home Rule as a super priority and transportation funding as another priority.

Vice President Shaw reported Home Rule was a priority for the Municipal Administration Committee and noted the second priority looked at by the committee was related to Sober Homes.

Member Brown introduced Longboat Key Town Manager Tom Harmer.

President Williams noted the Environmental Committee was concentrating on Florida Forever.

Member Yates commented on Community Redevelopment Agencies (CRA) and the Communications Service Tax.

3. Reports - Continued

H. Advocacy Report – No items were presented.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

4. Revenue and expenditures of ManaSota League of Cities (MSLC)

Treasurer Roff suggested increasing dues for municipal members by \$100 and encouraged members to speak to organizations about joining as an Associate Member.

Administrator Coordinator Loeffler reported a membership renewal had not been received from Waste Management.

NEW BUSINESS

5. Consideration of Application for Enterprise Fleet Management, Inc. for Associate Membership.

President Williams commented on the application for Associate Membership submitted by Enterprise Fleet Management, Inc., and moved to approve the Associate Membership. The motion, seconded by Member Yates, carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Mr. Jeff Harbaugh, Enterprise Fleet Management, spoke about opportunities to reduce vehicle costs for governmental agencies.

6. Florida League of Cities (FLC) Nominating Committee Appointment Recommendation

Member Yates nominated Treasurer Roff as MSLC recommendation to serve on Florida League of Cities Nominating Committee. The motion, seconded by Member Chappie, carried unanimously on a voice vote.

7. FLC FAST Fly-In – Washington, D.C./Travel Policy

Members Yates and Vice President Shaw advised they would like to participate in the FAST Fly-In.

Member Carter moved to authorize Members Yates and Vice President Shaw to participate in the FLC FAST Fly-In to Washington, D.C. (date to be announced), at the expense of the ManaSota League of Cities. The motion, seconded by Member Chappie, carried unanimously on a voice vote.

8. Election of Officers

Member Roff Nominated Member Shaw for President. The motion, seconded by member Yates, carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Member Yates nominated Member Carter for Vice President. The motion, seconded by Member Chappie, carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Member Roff nominated Member Williams as Treasurer. The motion, seconded by member Yates, carried unanimously on a voice vote.

MEMBER COMMENTS

9. Member Comments

President Williams opened the floor for comments by members on topics of interest.

- Vice President Shaw thanked President Williams for his service as President.
- Member Kihm commented on being a new member.
- Member Brown commented on a bill filed relating to local officials travel.
- Member Yates thanked President Williams for his work.
- Member Carter commented on Legislative Actions Days.
- President Williams commented on opening of the Manatee County Fair.

MEETING SCHEDULE

10. Next Meeting date March 8, 2018 at 9:30 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

President Williams adjourned the January 11, 2018, meeting at 10:13 a.m.

Brian Williams, President

Submitted by: Savannah Schield, Longboat Key Deputy Town Clerk

Minutes Approved: _____