

**MINUTES
MANASOTA LEAGUE OF CITIES
VIRTUAL REGULAR MEETING (Hybrid)
March 11, 2021**

Present: President Jim Kihm (Holmes Beach), Vice President Jen Ahearn-Koch (Sarasota), Commissioner Carol Carter (Anna Maria), Commissioner Debbie McDowell (North Port), Vice Mayor Mike Haycock (Longboat Key), Councilman Joe Neunder (Venice)

Absent: Treasurer Brian Williams (Palmetto), Mayor John Chappie (Bradenton Beach), Councilman Patrick Roff (Bradenton),

Also Present: Administrative Coordinator Gail Loeffler and Deputy Town Clerk Savannah Cobb

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Vice President Ahearn-Koch called the hybrid Regular Meeting of the Manasota League of Cities (MSLC) to order at 9:30 a.m., and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Vice President Ahearn-Koch reviewed the procedures and protocols for the virtual meeting and called roll.

2. Special Presentation

A. Bradenton Area Economic Development Corporation – Sharon Hillstrom, President & CEO and Cindy Unzicker, Investor Relations Manager

Ms. Sharon Hillstrom, Bradenton Area EDC President & CEO, provided a PowerPoint presentation on the Bradenton Area Economic Development Corporation.

B. Florida Power & Light (FPL) – Area Manager Rae Dowling and Vice President of External Affairs and Economic Development Pam Rauch

Ms. Pam Rauch, FPL Vice President of External Affairs and Economic Development, provided a PowerPoint presentation on Florida Power and Light.

Note – President Kihm entered meeting at 10:09 a.m.

3. Public to be Heard

No items were presented

4. Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the Regular Meeting on January 14, 2021.

Member Haycock moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on January 14, 2021. The motion, seconded by Member Ahearn-Koch, carried unanimously.

5. Reports and Communications

A. President Report

President Kihm commented on a legislative bill regarding vacation rentals.

B. Vice President's Report

Vice President Ahearn-Koch commented on the City of Sarasota's resolution regarding vacation rentals, and she noted she would be attending Legislative Action days.

C. Treasurer's Report

No items were presented.

D. Administrative Coordinator's Report

Administrative Coordinator Gail Loeffler commented on Legislative Action Days, FLC monthly regional leaders' meetings, upcoming special presenters, and FLC advocacy help and support.

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

No items were presented.

F. Florida League of Cities (FLC) Legislative Committee Member Reports

No items were presented.

G. Advocacy and Key Contact Reports

Member Neunder commented on a legislative bill regarding vacation rentals, Representative McFarland presenting at a future meeting, and reaching out to other local representatives to present at future meetings.

President Kihm mentioned Vice President Ahearn-Koch was appointed to the FLC Nominating Committee.

6. New Business

A. Nomination of member to serve as District 10 Director on FLC Board of Directors

Member Carter nominated Treasurer Williams to serve as the District 10 Director on FLC Board of Directors. The motion, seconded by Vice President Ahearn-Koch, passed unanimously.

B. Reschedule meeting of November 11, 2021, due to Veteran's Day

President Kihm presented the alternate meeting dates for rescheduling the November 11, 2021 Regular Meeting.

There was a consensus to reschedule the Regular Meeting to November 4, 2021.

Member Comments

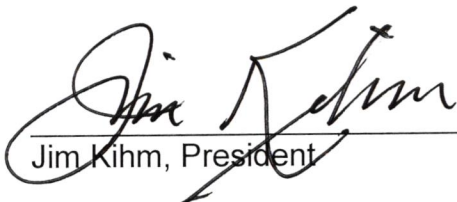
Member Carter commented on Manatee County Commissioner Kruse's efforts to turn Manatee County into a Charter government.

7. Meeting Schedule

The next Regular Meeting is scheduled for May 13, 2021, at 9:30 a.m.

8. Adjournment

President Kihm adjourned the March 11, 2021, hybrid Regular Meeting at 10:40 a.m.



Jim Kihm, President

Submitted by: Savannah Cobb, Deputy Town Clerk

Minutes Approved: 5/13/2021