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Barrier Islands Governmental Council

Belleair Beach
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Indian Rocks Beach
Indian Shores
Madeira Beach



North Redington Beach Redington Beach Redington Shores St. PeteBeach Treasure Island

Town of Redington Beach BIG C Meeting Wednesday, March 30, 2022, 9:00 a.m. Madeira Beach City Hall, 300 Municipal Drive, Madeira Beach, FL 33708

1. The BIG C Meeting was called to order by President Mayor Alan Johnson at 9:00 A.M. on March 30, 2022, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call

BIG C Representatives:

Belleair Beach Mayor Dave Gattis

Clearwater

Indian Rocks Beach
Indian Shores
N. Redington Beach
Redington Beach
Mayor Cookie Kennedy
Mayor Pat Soranno
Mayor Bill Queen
Mayor David Will

Redington Shores Vice Mayor Michael Robinson

St. Pete Beach Mayor Alan Johnson
Treasure Island Mayor Tyler Payne
Madeira Beach Mayor John Hendricks

Also Present:

Sandra Knoebel Forward Pinellas

Robin Gomez Madeira Beach City Manager

Chiquita Clark Duke Energy

Cindy Krove Redington Shores Commissioner John Bishop Pinellas County Coastal Manager

Rita Bishop St Pete Beach

John Mortellite, II Chief Deputy, Pinellas Suncoast Fire Rescue

Jessica Morrow TBBCoC

Whitt Blanton Forward Pinellas Executive Director

Tim & Gina Johnson

Richard Cariello

Shawntay Skjoldager

James Murray

Diantha Schear

Bill Krajewski

Waterfront Realty, Owners

Redington Beach Commissioner

Redington Beach Commissioner

Vice Mayor, Indian Shores

Redington Shores Commissioner

Nick DiCeglie Representative

Larry Schear PSFRD

3. Changes to the Agenda and Approval

Mayor Queen made a motion to accept the agenda as presented, seconded by Mayor Hendricks. Motion approved unanimously.

4. Approval of Minutes

Mayor Queen made a motion to approve the February minutes, seconded by Mayor Hendricks. Motion approved unanimously.

5. Approval of the February 2022 Treasurer's Report's

Mayor Kennedy reported the current balance of \$835.84 after a disbursement to Digital Eel. Mayor Queen made a motion to approve the treasurer's reports, seconded by Mayor Hendricks. Motion approved unanimously.

6. Correspondence

No correspondence

7. New Business

Mayor Kennedy introduced Witt Blanton, the executive director of Forward Pinellas. Mr. Blanton covered the transportation needs for Pinellas County and the projects that are currently being completed. In following the County Wide Land Use and Transportation it serves the cities and county from sidewalks to highways. This year has a record budget with federal and state monies. Kicking off this month will be better transportation opportunities. Also discussed was Safe Streets in which they are working with FDOT for safer pedestrian crossing on Gulf Blvd.

One of the big initiatives is the industrial and employment land use. Pinellas County is third in manufacturing in the state. Forward Pinellas is looking to keep industrial land uses for the technology, medical and aerospace companies to build in Pinellas County.

He also noted the crisis in affordable housing. A new law was passed which will allow affordable housing in the mixed land use category.

He noted that the Alternate 19 Clearwater to Sun Runner project should be completed later this year.

The Gateway Express project should be opening next year. The Howard Franklin project will be adding two lanes in each direction which will be a toll road. There will still be four free lanes. The Westshore Interchange in Hillsborough County is the number one transportation project and will receive funding in 2023, however it will take six years to complete.

8. Old Business

No unfinished business

9. Discussion Items

10. Legislative Update

11. Public Comments

John Bishop, Coastal Manager for Pinellas County spoke on the Treasure Island federal funding for Pass A Grille and Sunset Beach project is in the process of being bid out and expect a Notice to Proceed in February 2023 and completion in the late spring to early summer. It was noted that half of the beach access are closed in Treasure Island for safety concerns due to the erosion. He noted that the Sand Key Renourishment project will now require 100% easements. He noted that they are waiting for a final ruling from "headquarters" on the requirement of 100% for the easements. This is not currently in the budget; therefore the project would not start

until 2026.

He briefly spoke on the sea turtle lighting and that the task force has reported that there has not been much improvement. Richard Cariello, Redington Beach Commissioner spoke on behalf of the town and noted that all the lights along Gulf Blvd have been switched out to turtle friendly lights.

Lindsay Cross running for the Florida State House offered to speak with the members and is a proponent for home rule.

12. City Events

North Redington Beach:

Lift Station in cooperation with the county has begun construction

Clearwater:

Sugar Sand Festival begins April 8th and runs through the 24th.

Indian Shores:

New fire truck is now a full-service vehicle at the station.

Madeira Beach Celebrating 75 year and events are scheduled throughout the year. A Mobi mat is being installed at Archibald Park with a ribbon cutting ceremony next week. A new fire rescue boat has been purchased and already used.

Indian Rocks Beach: On April 12, the town and the Pinellas County Fire and Rescue will be honoring the men and women that were instrumental in helping during the chase from Dunedin.

Redington Beach: Wanted to thank Madeira Beach for supplying the room for the meeting and John Messmore, from Sweet Sage for supplying the food. Santa's Angels, a nonprofit started in the town will be holding their Havana Nights themed party this weekend.

Treasure Island: The American Legion Post will be hosting a car and truck show this weekend and will benefit the Son's of the American Legion.

St. Pete Beach: being held.

Beatle Beat Beatles Tribute will be held on April 15th and the Sunday Market are

13. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:17 a.m. The next meeting will be Wednesday, April 27th, at 9:00 a.m. Hosted by madeira Beach at the Madeira Beach City Hall, 300 Municipal Drive, Madeira Beach, FL 33708

Minutes Prepared by: Missy Clarke

Town Clerk, Town of Redington Beach, FL

Date Approved: 04 27 2022

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Amber LaRowe, MMC, City Clerk

City of St. Pete Beach

Alan Johnson

Barrier Islands Governmental Council President

Mayor of the City of St. Pete Beach, FL