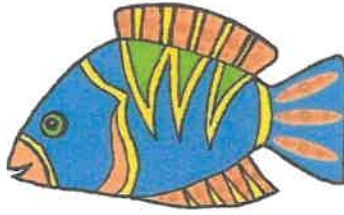


# BIG-C

## Barrier Islands Governmental Council

*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 Cookie Kennedy at 9:00am on Wednesday, March 27, 2024 at the Madeira Beach City Hall, 300 Municipal Drive, Madeira Beach, FL 33708.

**1. Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Kennedy.

**2. Roll Call**

**BIG C Representatives:**

**Mayor Lisa Hendrickson  
Mayor Joanne “Cookie” Kennedy  
Mayor Dave Gattis  
Mayor Pat Soranno  
Vice-Mayor Ray Kerr  
Mayor Tyler Payne  
Mayor Bill Queen  
Councilmember Lina Teixeira  
Mayor David Will  
Vice-Mayor Daniel Storie  
Vice-Mayor Rich Lorenzen**

**Town of Redington Shores  
City of Indian Rocks Beach  
City of Belleair Beach  
Town of Indian Shores  
City of Madeira Beach  
City of Treasure Island  
Town of North Redington Beach  
City of Clearwater  
Town of Redington Beach  
Town of Belleair Shore  
City of St. Pete Beach**

**Guests:**

**Robin I Gomez  
Larry Schear  
Diantha Schear  
Tim & Gina Johnson  
CJ Hoyt  
Clint Blek  
Margaret Carey  
Barry Rubin  
Caulin Donaldson  
Nic Boeden  
Hanke Anderson  
Hendrick Bieauz  
Jessica Morrow  
John Doctor  
Suzy Sofer  
John Bigelow  
Mary Wilkerson  
Bob Schmidt**

**City Manager, Madeira Beach  
Fire Commissioner, PSFRD  
Mayor-Elect, Indian Shores  
Waterfront Realty  
Commissioner, Redington Shores  
Fire Chief, MBFD  
Town Clerk, Redington Shores  
CEO, TI/MB Chamber of Commerce  
CEO, Trash Caulin  
Resident  
Seasalt Properties  
Broker  
Aide to Kathleen Peters  
Vice-Mayor, Treasure Island  
Commissioner, Belleair Bluffs  
Commissioner, Indian Rocks Beach  
Business Owner, Indian Rocks Beach  
Past Mayor, Belleair Shore**

Megan Powers  
Matthew Sandlin  
Chiquita Clark  
Nick DiCeglie  
Brendan Burke  
Doris Heitmann  
Mike McGlothlin  
Richard Cariello  
Janet Wilson  
Marc Orem  
Lindsay Cross  
Kimberly Berfield  
Tony Stillo  
Denise Houseberg  
Christy Herig  
Nigel Duffett  
Christa and Mike Ray  
Lorin Kornijtschuk  
Adriana Nieves  
Linda Lewallen  
Vince Nowicki

Assistant to City Manager, Madeira Beach  
Campaign Manager for Cookie Kennedy  
Duke Energy  
State Senator  
Senator DiCeglie's office  
Program Manager, UF/FAS/Pinellas County  
Town Administrator, Redington Shores  
Vice-Mayor, Redington Beach  
Commissioner, Indian Rocks Beach  
Daily Autism Podcast  
State Representative, District 60  
State Representative, District 58  
Executive Aide to PC Commissioner Janet Long  
Mayor-Elect, Indian Rocks Beach  
Resident, Redington Shores  
COO, Premier Hotel Corp  
Waterfront Realty  
Town Clerk, Indian Rocks Beach  
Town Clerk, Redington Beach

**3. Changes to the Agenda and Approval**

Mayor Queen made a motion to approve the agenda. Mayor Gattis seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

**4. Approval of Minutes of North Redington Beach February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Meeting**

Mayor Queen made a motion to approve the minutes. Mayor Gattis seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

**5. Approval of the February 2024 Treasurer's Report**

Mayor Will reported the current balance of \$748.01. Mayor Queen made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report. Mayor Gattis seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

**6. Correspondence**

Mayor Kennedy reported correspondence from Digital Eel and Piczonka Trophy.

**7. New Business**

Pat DePlasco from Keep Pinellas Beautiful gave a presentation about that organization. The mission of Keep Pinellas Beautiful -to conserve and beautify our natural environment by means of community engagement and education. She also provided an update as to the amount of trash collected last year and how the volunteer program operates.

Marc Orem, of Daily Autism podcast, presented to the BIG-C, Autism Awareness Initiatives. He provided data showing rates of autism diagnoses among both children and adults. He reported that water safety is especially important for autistic children and created a QR code sticker a parent can apply to a child's clothing to alert emergency personnel that the child has autism. He introduced another initiative to help find missing children using drone technology.

Mayor Kennedy noted that the nominating committee will consist of Mayor Gattis, Mayor Hendrickson and Mayor Queen.

**8. Old Business**

None

**9. Discussion Items**

None

**10. Legislative Update**

**Senator Nick DiCeglie** reported about the many bills that he sponsored during the last legislative session. He also reported on grants available to condo associations, the prohibition on intentional balloon releases, cybersecurity, residential permitting, the transportation package, and appropriations funding for projects in Pinellas County. He also reported on SB280, the short-term rental bill, and had a brief discussion with BIG-C members about the bill.

**State Representative Kimberly Berfield** reported on Pinellas County beaches and their importance to the state. She reported about grants available for homeowners to harden their homes against hurricanes, the property insurance issue in the state, and beach renourishment.

**State Representative Lindsay Cross** reported on some bills she supported – HB165-related to water sampling at beaches and public areas and the new reporting requirement when there is an affected body of water. She discussed environmental initiatives she will continue to try to get passed in future legislative sessions.

**Pinellas County Commissioner Charlie Justice** reported that Pinellas County will continue to work on beach renourishment and the Army Corp of Engineers. He reported about negotiations between the city of St. Petersburg and the Tampa Bay Rays stadium and the new Pinellas County Government Complex that will be developed at a location on Ulmerton Road.

**Beach Watch 2024** – update was provided in the packet.

Mayor Kennedy noted that after adjournment, she will do a 5-minute presentation about her cap stone project.

**11. City Events**

**Redington Beach** – Easter Egg Hunt at 9:30am on 3/30/24 in Town Park

**Madeira Beach** – Wednesday morning market on Madeira Way which ends on May 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Final Friday March 29<sup>th</sup> 6-9pm

Great American Grunt Hunt – March 30<sup>th</sup> 4pm

Gulf Beaches Public Library Brick Fundraising event

**Indian Shores** – Sunday morning market through the end of May

**Treasure Island** – Easter Egg Hunt 10am on 3/30/24 – Community Center Park

Ribbon cutting for new City Hall – April 2<sup>nd</sup>

Community Appreciation Day- April 13<sup>th</sup> 11am-1pm at new city hall

Summer Camp June 3<sup>rd</sup> – August 9<sup>th</sup>

Rock the Block – filmed in TI for HGTV – airs on Monday nights

Mayor Payne announced that this is his last meeting. Vice Mayor John Doctor will be sitting in at the BIG-C meetings representing Treasure Island.

**Clearwater** – Neighborhood Day – 3/30/24

Many concerts

Mayor Kennedy announced that this is her last meeting as well as Mayor Soranno's.

**12. Adjournment** – The meeting adjourned at 10:38am

**NEXT MEETING**

Wednesday, April 24, 2024, 9:00 A.M.

Hosted by the City of Madeira Beach


Location: Madeira Beach City Hall | 300 Municipal Drive, | Madeira Beach, FL 33708

Minutes Prepared by: Adriana Nieves

Town Clerk, Town of Redington Beach, FL

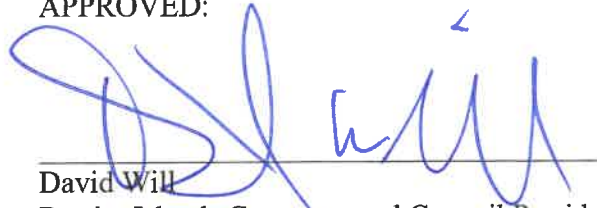
Date Approved: 4-24-24

ATTEST:



Adriana Nieves, CMC, Town Clerk  
Town of Redington Beach

APPROVED:



David Will  
Barrier Islands Governmental Council President  
Mayor of the Town of Redington Beach, FL