

# *BIG-C*

## *Barrier Islands Governmental Council*

*Belleair Beach*

*Belleair Shore*

*Clearwater*

*Redington Shores*

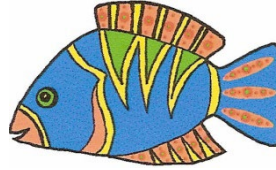
*Indian Rocks Beach*

*St. Pete Beach Indian Shores*

*Treasure Island Madeira Beach*

*North Redington Beach*

*Redington Beach*



The BIG C meeting was called to order by President, Mayor Joanne “Cookie” Kennedy at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at the Madeira Beach City Hall, 300 Municipal Dr, Madeira Beach, FL 33708.

### **1. Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Kennedy.

### **2. Roll Call**

#### **Big C Representatives**

#### **BIG C Representatives:**

**Mayor Joanne “Cookie” Kennedy**

**Vice Mayor Rich Lorenzen**

**Mayor Lisa Hendrickson**

**Mayor Dave Gattis**

**Vice Mayor Diantha Schear**

**Mayor Jim Rostek**

**Mayor Tyler Payne**

**Mayor Bill Queen**

**Mayor Steve Blume**

**Vice Mayor Kathleen Beckman**

**Commissioner Richard Cariello**

**City of Indian Rocks Beach**

**City of St Pete Beach**

**Town of Redington Shores**

**City of Belleair Beach**

**Town of Indian Shores**

**City of Madeira Beach**

**City of Treasure Island**

**Town of North Redington Beach**

**Town of Belleair Shore**

**City of Clearwater**

**Town of Redington Beach**

#### **Guests**

Robin I Gomez, City Manager

Larry Schear

Tim & Gina Johnson

Clint Belk

Chiquita Clark

Megan Powers

Jessica Morrow

Michael Howard

Mike McGohtlin

Ray Kerr

Madeira Beach

PSFRD Commissioner

Waterfront Realty

Fire Chief, Madeira Beach

Duke Energy

Madeira Beach

Aide to Kathleen Peters

Council Elect – Indian Shores

Town Administrator – Redington Shores

Vice Mayor – Madeira Beach

Barry Rubin  
Barry Burton  
Vince Nowicki  
Jill Silverboard  
John Bishop  
RB Johnson  
Phil Hanna

CEO- TI/MB Chamber of Commerce  
County Administrator – Pinellas County  
Candidate for PCBCC  
Deputy County Administrator – Pinellas County  
Coastal Management Coordinator – Pinellas Co  
Indian Rocks Beach  
Indian Rocks Beach

### **3. Recognition of MaryBeth Henderson of Redington Shores and Robert Schmidt of Belleair Shores.**

Mayor Kennedy read the contents of the plaque for MaryBeth Henderson in gratitude of her service.

Mayor Kennedy recognized Barry Burton, County Administrator, and asked if he would like to speak as she knew he had another meeting to attend.

Mr. Burton spoke briefly on the status of the beach nourishment process. He indicated that Senators Scott and Rubio were working on language regarding the nourishment process as this issue affects many areas nationwide.

There was discussion on whether Pinellas County would pay for the nourishment if there is no change federally. Mr. Burton explained that the County is currently working on the design for the Sand Key project which takes a year. At that time, there would need to be discussions on how the project will be funded. He stated that due to the unknown number of storms, it would be impossible to know how much funding would be required if the beach is depleted over and over and there would be some difficult discussions at that time if the federal funding is not available.

Jessica Morrow, Aide to PC Commissioner Kathleen Peters, introduced herself and indicated she would be attending future meetings and to let her know how she could be of assistance.

### **4. Changes to Agenda and Approval**

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

### **5. Approval of Minutes of Redington Shores January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024 Meeting**

Mayor Queen made a motion to approve the January minutes. Commissioner Cariello seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

### **6. Approval of January 2024 Treasurer's Report**

Commissioner Cariello reported the current balance of \$967.51. Mayor Queen made a motion to approve the treasurer report. The motion was seconded by Mayor Gattis. Motion approved unanimously.

### **7. Correspondence**

Mayor Kennedy stated the only correspondence was an invoice from Digital Eel for \$9.50.

### **8. New Business**

Phill Hanna and RB Johnson gave an overview of the film “Shifting Sands” they had produced for the Indian Rocks Historical Museum. The video deals with how the barrier islands were created. A presentation of the video followed.

## 9. Old Business

Mayor Queen stated that the selection committee had met and agreed to nominate Madeira Beach Mayor Jim Rostek as the Secretary/Treasurer. Mayor Queen made the motion to select Mayor Rostek as Secretary/Treasurer. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cariello. The motion was approved unanimously.

## 10. Discussion Items

There were no discussion items.

## 11. Legislative Update

There were no legislative updates.

## 12. City Events

St. Pete Beach – Update on vote taken a prior evening’s meeting.

Redington Beach – Mardi Gras Event on Saturday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Madeira Beach – Trash Pirates Beach Cleanup – March 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Garage Sale – March 9<sup>th</sup>  
Kite Day – March 11<sup>th</sup>  
Spring Break Festival – March 14<sup>th</sup>  
Great American Grunt Hunt – March 21<sup>st</sup>  
Final Friday – March 29<sup>th</sup>

Mayor Rostek asked for a round of applause for Mr. Burton for his help to the beach communities.

Indian Shores – St. Patrick’s Day Festival - March 16<sup>th</sup>.

Treasure Island – Mayor Payne stated there were garage sales every Saturday in March in various parts of town.

Clearwater – Went over calendar of concerts for the next month. Also stated the Phillies spring training had begun.

## 13. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 9:39 a.m. The next meeting will be Wednesday, March 27, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. Hosted by Town of Redington Beach at Madeira Beach City Hall, 300 Municipal Dr, Madeira Beach, FL 33708.

Minutes Prepared by: Mari Campbell  
Town Clerk, Town of North Redington Beach, FL

Date Approved: 3/27/2024